



Baseball Board Meeting

November 6, 2016

at 7 PM

Annual Meeting

Meeting Called to Order at 7:04 PM

1. Roll call

Present: Pat Mahr, Jen Wenzel, Heidi Hansen, Chris Summerfield, Tony Dagostino, Chris Reff, Dan Whelan, Anne Thomas, John Wlazlo, Tom Sax, Mike Marso, Justin Byers, Brad Sanders, Chris Falk, Nate Sosinski, Patty Preblich

Absent: Anne Thomas, John Golden, John Wlazlo,

2. Appoint/Vote On New and Existing Board Positions

Nomination of Treasurer -

Secretary opened nominations for treasurer of Centennial Lakes Little League.

Nomination made by Chris Reff

Amanda Bibeau was nominated for the position of treasurer of CLLL.

Second: Heidi Hansen

After hearing no other nominations - nominations were closed

Voting on Nomination:

Motion passed.

Election of Treasurer -

Motion made by Mike Marso

Amanda Bibeau as treasurer of Centennial Lakes Little League.

2nd: Chris

Vote: approved

Mike Marso thanked our outgoing treasurer Patty Preblich for all of her hard work. She has worked as treasurer for the past 4 years. The entire CLLL family thanks her for her service.

Re-Election of Vice President of Baseball- Heidi Hansen

(our constitution requires the board to re-elect these positions each year)

Motion Made by Mike Marso

as VP of CLLL Baseball

Second: Chris Reff

Vote: approved

Re-Election of Vice President of Softball - John Wlazlo

Motion made by Mike Marso

P of CLLL Softball

Second: Heidi Hansen

Vote: approved

Re-Election of President- Pat Mahr

Motion made by Mike Marso

of Centennial Lakes Little League

Second: Chris Reff

Pat addressed members present. He spoke to his contributions to CLLL over the past 28 years.

Pat left the room for the official vote.

Vote: approved

Appointed positions - board member list was distributed

Pat welcomed the new appointed position board members.

3. Treasure Report - Patty

Patty reported our bank account currently has a balance of \$27,500.

All bills have been paid and are up-to-date.

4. AAA League Rules Proposal - (Dan Whelan)

Pat gave an overview of the new AAA league for the new league reps. Previous board minutes can be viewed for a description of changes to league levels.

This league will use the "old" minor league rules with the following changes:

- ❖ 2 innings in the infield are required, 1 of the required innings needs to take place during first 3 innings
- ❖ Stealing -move to 2nd and 3rd on passed balls (ball that goes behind the catcher) only
- ❖ Keep rosters to 12 players.
- ❖ 10 players in the field
- ❖ 6 innings, 2 hour game time limit- no new inning is started after 1 hour 45 minutes (move to the top or near the top of rules in handbook)

Other changes:

During the month of May: no walks, after 3 balls are pitched then use a tee so the ball in play***

During the month of May: pitchers only pitch 1 inning, every kid must pitch (if a kid really doesn't want to pitch they don't have to)

During the month of May: NO STEALING on passed balls- coaches will stand behind the plate to throw the ball back

***The members present discussed the advantages and disadvantages of using the tee. The use of soft toss instead of the tee was discussed. This seemed more doable so coaches don't have to carry a tee. Members present we asked to think about this. A final decision will be made at the next board meeting.

It was also suggested that we use March indoor practice times to dedicated pitching and hitting only. This will further develop the pitchers. As a result of this discussion the following action was taken: **A practice plan for use during March indoor practices will be developed by league reps at the AAA, International, and coach pitch. These will be shared with coaches at beginning of the year coach meeting.**

5. Any Other Changes to League Rules?

- ❖ International league currently has 10 players on the field - move that to 9 players.
- ❖ International: 5 run limit (tournaments unlimited runs in the 6th inning)
- ❖ American League: no 5 run limit

Pat asked if we wanted to do the Parkway tournament again at the International level. The consensus was YES!

6. Complete Game/Lil Sluggers Registration Update- (Anne)

Pat gave the update for Anne. Registrations are coming in slow. Another reminder will go out (this has been sent). There are still openings. Interest seems to be low.

7. Coach Interview Panel - National League -The interviews take place in December

Chris Reff, Heidi Hansen, Mike Marso (if available). Jen will do it if needed.

Some discussion took place about how many coaches to interview and select. In the past we had 2 coaches named as National League Coaches. And the 2 coaches named an "assistant" for all stars but head coached one of the National Teams. It was determined we would interview for 4 coaches instead of 2 coaches.

8. New Business

A new position was added to the board this year- tryout support coordinator. Pat discussed this new position with Nate and the other board members. This will help make tryouts go smoother as well as provide oversight to the tryout process.

A second new position was added- tournament official. Pat discussed his new role as well. Pat talked about a new meeting that will be added to discuss tournament rules. Dan asked to be there to make sure he hears everything that is discussed with the coaches.

9. Meeting Adjourned at 8:23 PM

Next Board Meeting is December 11th at 7pm