

**Hibbing Youth Baseball Board
Board Meeting
6:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 6
Barr Engineering Conference Room**

- Called to order at 6:02 p.m.
- Roll call
 - Absent - *Tim Zubich, Pat Bolden, Brian Stavnes*
 - Present - *Jim Thune, Andy Fisher, Jared Lubben, Dave Brust, Chad Nickila, Luke Heaton, Tony Potter, Chris Zubich*
- Public Forum - No one was present.
- Finance Report - *It was noted that HYB was awarded a \$1,000 grant from the Security State Bank Foundation. A motion by Fisher was seconded by C. Zubich and unanimously approved to allocate those funds to the purchase of new, permanent uniforms.*
 - *In related business, a motion by Nickila was seconded by Brust and unanimously approved to order 16 permanent jerseys each for 8 teams (4 Minor League & 4 Little League). C. Zubich abstained.*
 - *The teams are:*
 - *Little League - Range Steel, Bikes on Howard, Sammy's Pizza & Park State Bank*
 - *Minor League - Iron Range Tire, Domex, Komatsu & Ford of Hibbing*
- Old business
- New business
 - Set # of ML & LL teams - *A motion by Brust was seconded by Fisher and unanimously approved to set the number of teams for Minor League at 4 with no more than 12 players per team. In a related matter, a motion by Lubben was seconded by Nickila and unanimously approved to set the number of teams for Little League at 4 with no more than 12 players per team.*
 - Assign coaches
 - *A motion by Fisher was seconded by Thune and unanimously approved to approve the list of Minor League coaches as presented pending background checks.*

Coaching pairing will be determined after evaluations are complete.

- *A motion by Lubben was seconded by Fisher and unanimously approved to approve the list of Little League coaches as presented pending background checks. Coaching pairing will be determined after evaluations are complete.*

- *Set format for player evaluations - Discussion focused on using the gym time reserved in March as general practices as opposed to evaluations. No action was taken.*
- *Player age exceptions*
 - *Tyler Dietrich to play IRB at age 15 - The HYB IRB coordinator is inquiring with the IRB president about the possibility.*
 - *Ben Kukowksi to play IRB at age 12 - A motion was made by Fisher, seconded by Brust and unanimously approved to allow Kukowski to move up to IRB.*
 - *Allow the following 7 year olds to move up to ML: Ryder Farden, Mason Larson and Roman Nelson - A motion was made by Lubben, seconded by Fisher and unanimously approved to invite these players to the 8 year old Minor League evaluations to determine readiness.*
 - *Allow the following 9 year olds to move up to LL: Tripp Heise, Robbie Dickinson and Jackson Farden - A motion was made by Lubben, seconded by Fisher and unanimously approved to invite these players to the 10 year old Little League evaluations to determine readiness.*
 - *Noah Winsor to move up to Transition League at age 5 - A motion was made by Fisher, seconded by Nickila and unanimously approved to allow Winsor to move up to Transition League.*
- *Hardship Waiver Requests*
 - *A motion was made by Nickila, seconded by Fisher and unanimously approved to grant a hardship waiver to an 8-year-old Minor League player pending completion of the registration forms and hardship waiver request form.*
- *Chisholm ML & LL - The board indicated that it'd like the Chisholm youth baseball board to submit a proposal if it's interested in joining our Minor League and Little League.*
- *Date change for Bennett Baseball Classic 11U Tourney - A motion was made by Brust, seconded by Nickila and unanimously approved to move the tournament to July 13-14 due to lack of interest with the previous date.*

- Set the next meeting for 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, at BARR Engineering.
- Adjourned at 8:09 p.m.