



Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2022 7:30PM

Members

Andrew Ruggles (President)
Tim Richard (Vice President)
Zach Fowler (Secretary)
Erica Ruggles (Treasurer)
Steve Webber (Director of Operations)
April Webber (Member)
Amanda LeFort (Member)

1. Call to Order (Andy) Welcome

2. Financial Update (Erica) Erica operating budget 10k concessions 10 dollars, 2000 in

3. New Business (All)

a. Winter Clinics

3 groups, 5-6, 7-8, 9-12, considering adding 5-6 to Litchfield Softball Group Have Talent hall until 11am on Sundays.

Steve is working on Combo fliers for 5-6 (k-1) and Erica will modify 7-8 and 9-12 fliers and get them printed and distributed at GMS and St Francis.

Andy will run 5-6, Andy and Amanda will run 7-8, and Tim (with parent help) will run 9-12

Discussion regarding running clinics for 50 minutes with a 10 minute buffer for transitions.

b. LBA/HYBL Meet and Greet

Steve reached out to the President of HYBL to introduce Andy. Andy's goal this season is to have a much better dialogue with HYBL to ensure continuity between leagues. HYBL has realigned their divisions and their team ages are more in line with LBA

c. Opening Registration

Steve: When do we want to open registration? Hudson already opened their signup. Litchfield Lacrosse has already opened their registration. Discussion regarding registration fee keeping the same vs. increasing.

Umpire fees \$25 for rookie, \$55 for minors and majors. Spent about 1800 for umps in 2021.
Discussion regarding reducing registration fee for children of parents who coach a team

i. Concession Opt-out Fee

Instructional parents do not have to do concessions (due to field location). No Opt-out Fee for Instructional currently. Hudson's opt out fee is \$125. Discussion regarding keeping concessions opt out at \$50 and making the opt out fee mandatory. Parents who meet their concessions obligations get the \$50 back. Multi child discount \$20 for 3rd child \$40 for 4th child.

d. Equipment Needs

Andy wants a bucket of balls and a set of catchers gear per team.

Andy Ruggles makes a motion to spend up to \$1000 on baseballs for the season. Seconded by Steve Webber. 7-0-0

e. Uniforms

Uniforms have been hit by supply chain issues. Due to this we are going to open registration the week of January 31 and close registration by March 11th. Late registration is open until March 18th with a fee. Pushing registration with yard signs and social media.

f. Projected Players

i. Majors-34

ii. Minors-34

iii. Rookie-21

iv. Instructional-21

v. Fate of Learn to Play: We will seek out a coordinator for the Learn to play program. If there is no interest there will be No Learn to Play in 2022

g. Division Coordinators

We need someone to run each division. Division coordinators main roles include: Finding coaches, meeting with Hudson baseball to ensure rules alignment, and schedule building.

h. Recruitments/incentives

Discussed during opening registration above.

i. Concessions

Discussed during Concession Opt out Fee.

j. Picture Day

Discussion regarding finding a town person to take team pictures.

K. Sponsorships

Erica is going to reach out to former sponsors regarding 2022 sponsorships. Reminder to reach out to D.G. regarding sign printing.

4. Old Business

a. JBMF Batting Cage Update (Andy)

Cages have been ordered and will be installed by a contractor this spring.

5. Open Discussion

Need to get Steve B to wire the scoreboard at Jeff Lane.
Pest Removal at Corning.

6. Adjourn

Andy makes a Motion to adjourn.