

Opening:

A general meeting of the Paso Robles Pony Baseball League was conducted at the Centennial Park Live Oak Room and called to order by President Magoo Cook at 7:04 pm on Wednesday, December 7, 2016.

Present were: Magoo Cook, Grady Gatoloai, Brittany Finch, Candi Murphy, John Rede, Mitch McKanna, Dana McGraw, Judy Tabarez, Robert VanPelt, Andrew Reynoso, Amanda Reynoso, Derek Stroud, Ron Mullins

Minutes:

The November Board Meeting Minutes were handed out to everyone present and Terry O'Farrell motioned to approve them. Brittany Finch seconded the motion and they were approved by all present.

Old Business:

- November meeting notes
- Treasurer Report – Same as last month.
- Sports Council Update – We are submitting our fence request next week and also submitting for Silva Field dug outs. Our goal is to have them at the start of the season. Casino Night tickets have come in (40), we will come up with a plan to sell the tickets. SC will be looking for help with the exhibits.
- Apparel Update – Met with a Fluid Screen Printing and got samples. Product line will be simplified to eliminate excess apparel. New logo will be on the front left chest. Logo was changed to 2 color to simply screen printing. Hats will 3-D PR logo. Blankets will be available. Order form will be provided. Winter Camp quote needs to be provided before being voted on screen printer. It was suggested an iPad/Amazon fire be purchased for snack bar/apparel. We will also look into quotes for a wireless account.
- Registration Update – Banners will be put up tomorrow. 5 registrations total. All ages have been fixed. Fliers still need to be distributed for school. There will be a Christmas-themed fall.
- Uniform Update – Sophia not here, waiting for update with Pulse. Sophia has been in communication with Josh.
- Equipment Update – Equipment has been ordered and has been received.

New Business:

- P.O.N.Y Presidents update – Western Zone Meeting was held last week. Dicks came in and did a presentation on website, uniforms, registration, and team sites. Local rep can help us. Insurance was verified. Pony Scholarships for High School graduates are available up to \$2500 on pony.org with proof they came through the Pony Program (2 years). Application on line.

- Rule changes for 2018- no longer any pitching count, going to “pitch smart”. Broken down by age and depending on pitch count determines days of rest. Pinto base distance is 60 feet (effective this season).
- Birthdates will change to 8/31 (effective 2018).
- T-ball bats will not be allowed. Bat removal only, no ejection for player/coach (effective 2018).
- Bats need to be YBB Core certified (effective 2018). US bat licensing stamp required.
- Bat testing in Toro went well. More machines to speed up the process.
- Tournament Dates are due by 12/19. Money is required up front and non-refundable. Regional and Super Regional Tournaments are available. All profits other than registration would go to PRPB. 8 for Regional 6 for Super Regional. Shetland 1, Pinto 0, Mustang 11, Bronco 1. We are going to submit for a Regional Mustang tournament.
- Paso Robles Babe Ruth – Billy Bonham has volunteered to be President. Magoo will talk to Billy to explore 2 years down the road. Ron Mullins feels there should be a North County Babe Ruth encompassing Atascadero. Will look into next year.
- Umpire Recruitment – A flyer has been made to recruit umpires and post on FB. It will be added on the website for volunteers. Discount for registration for the next season if they volunteer umping games. There will be accountability for the parents/coaches behavior towards umpires. It was suggested there be a Field Commissioner at all games. Ron Mullins offered to help mentor young umpires.

Open Forum/Questions:

- Coach Stroud is offering to have instruction before evaluations. 1/5; 1/12; 1/19 for a couple of hours 5-7pm for Mustang and Bronco. Location would be at the High School. The Waves will do a camp for Shetland and Pinto 1/12 & 1/19 at Sherwood. There will be a sign-up on-line.
- Snack Bar- Brittany and Tenisha will walk through the snack bar on Friday at 5:30pm.
- Judy suggested doing sign-ups at Winter Camp. There will be an option for scholarships on-line. The application will be on-line.
- Fundraising – 5K and Cash Calendar

Future Meeting: Thursday, January 5, 2017, Centennial Park Live Oak Meeting Room

Adjourned: 8:41pm

Minutes submitted by Candi Murphy, PRPB League Secretary