

Dexter Little League Board of Directors Meeting

March 12, 2015

Members in Attendance: Caroline Arnedt, Charlie Gagne, David Sturmer, Jennifer Taylor, Ken Bryson, Shane Fuson, Paula Condron, Jodi Kniesteadt, Lisa Pitts, Jeff Kirkey, Ed Gauthier, Mike Guinta, Kevin Pnacek, Rich Deleruyelle, Eric Durliat

Members Absent: Dave Rosevelt, Brooks McFarland, George Michos, Jill Dramazos, Melissa Boobyer

Sturmer called the meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

- **Approve previous minutes (Sturmer):**

Motion by Sturmer to approve DLL BOD Meeting Minutes from 2.11.2015. 2nd by Fuson. All in favor.

- **Upcoming DLL dates (Sturmer):**

- April BOD meeting dates: Thursday, 4.2.15 and Thursday, 4.16.15 both at 7:00 pm at Dexter Library.
- Field clean up weekend: 3.28.2015 (weekend before Spring Break). Alternate is the weekend after spring break. Fuson to post dates on website. Pitts to do an email blast the week before and will send a 'save the date' email blast in the next few days. May divide clean up of fields between days. Pitts to organize a sign up genius. Taylor/Kniesteadt to make a poster to hang at Evals with date.
- CPR training for those volunteers/coaches that do not have certification or whose certification has expired on 3.22.2015 (likely around 1:00 am for 1 hour). Boobyer has already contacted all coaches to notify them per Taylor. There will also be an alternate date.

- **Player Agent update (Kniesteadt):**

- 447 total registrations to date. 20 players less than last year. Budgeted for 450. Registration closed, Fuson to remove it from website tomorrow evening.
- Current Enrollment:
 - Challenger: 6
 - Juniors Baseball: 11
 - Juniors Softball: 2
 - Machine Pitch Baseball: 93
 - Machine Pitch Softball: 48
 - Majors Baseball: 85
 - Majors Softball: 13
 - Minors Baseball: 84
 - Minors Softball: 22
 - T-Ball (Co-ed): 83

- **Softball update (Pnacek):**
 - Open Gym/Clinic Sundays were big success.
 - Goal to field a district All-Star team in minors division.
 - May be in need of another coach for minors.
 - Softball Evals: 3.14.2015 from 12:00-3:30. Majors girls are not being evaluated just open gym time.
 - Softball coaches:
 - MAJORS 1- Andrew Sunstrum
 - MINORS 1- Brandy Busdeker
 - MACHINE PITCH 1- Todd Genske
 - MACHINE PITCH 2- Ed Gauthier
 - MACHINE PITCH 3- Bryan Philage
 - MACHINE PITCH 4- Tim Lawrence

Motion by Sturmer to approve softball coaches for Spring 2015 season. 2nd by Pnacek. All in favor.

- **Fields/Concession Stand update (Deleruyelle):**
 - Travel coaches have purchased bases for Steffey.
 - Inspection of concession stand to be scheduled for flow of water and drainage after all thawed.
 - Assembling a list of yearly 'to dos' for future reference and a list of special projects to potentially be tackled from 3/28-4/18. List will be located on DLL google drive. Kirkey to double check long term project list. Expansion of concession stand into closet area pending. Deleruyelle to give list of material needs to Taylor to go to Lowes, Menards and Sherwin Williams seeking donations.
- **Sponsorship (Sturmer on behalf of Rosevelt):**
 - Referenced email with sponsorship status sent by Rosevelt earlier this week. May have more sponsors than teams this year.
- **Apparel Sales (Sturmer/Taylor on behalf of Dramazos):**
 - Plan to sell all day at evals. Fancy Stitch will also be at evals to print names on apparel. Signup genius for shifts went out several weeks ago. Volunteers still needed.
- **Long Term Projects (Gagne):**
 - Will assemble a donation list for DLL needs. Lists will be available as a handout at Evals and there will be a poster to hang at evals. Members could also donate funds toward a specific project. A continuously updated donation list will also be website.
 - (Kirkey) Close on finalizing a contract. Has been working with Sean Burton and the second draft back from Burton was a significant improvement. Deadline has been set of April 1, 2015 to get finalized and signed.
 - Contract Framework:

- For 7 years allowing access to all Mill Creek and Creekside fields from April –August. Schools have use 2 days a week on designated days and fields.
 - \$10,000 per year, plus what money we put in to them. Significant discount if you look at hourly rate.
 - DLL maintains the fields but that is not exclusive.
 - Kirkey to ask if can be agreed to have a school employee drag fields 1-2 times/week. Difficult for coaches and parents to drag to Little League standards.
 - Dexter Schools are supplying chalk up to \$900 and will mow the fields.
 - Kirkey to talk to Boobyer about signs for fields.
 - Durliat talked about lightening detectors put on Long Term project wish list. Weather bug affiliated with Little League. Remove units from long-term project. Fuson to bring ideas for designated DLL app to use to next update.
- **Baseball update (Bryson):**
 - Presented a list of coaches to be approved. Bryson and Guinta chose those with the most experience. At Majors level, all coaches who volunteered were selected except one. Sturmer read Rosevelt’s email on behalf of Rosevelt asking BOD to consider accepting the Majors coach who did not get offer a position.
 - Durliat offered idea for extra Majors coach to have son drafted with a coach he would like to be an assistant coach with. If coaches don’t complete volunteer form or CPR training, extra Majors coach will be asked.
 - Baseball coaches:
 - Tee Ball
 - Gena Anderson-
 - Chris Cramer-
 - Mike/Mary Fill-
 - Bryan Joffe-
 - Bryce McAllister-
 - Brian McRae-
 - Pat Schutte-
 - Mike Trinkle-
 - Machine Pitch
 - Ryan Barbaro-
 - David Burgos-
 - Damon Cappelli-
 - Rich Deleruyelle-
 - Kevin Lambert-
 - Luke Taylor-
 - [Robert Terbush-](#)
 - Casey Zaski-
 - Minors-
 - [D. Bell-](#)
 - Ken Bryson-
 - [Ian Connolly](#)

- Roy Kniesteadt-
- George Michos-
- Bob Robke-
- Brian Rooney-
- Jason Sutton-
- Majors
 - Mike Bavineau-
 - Tony Jimenez-
 - Steve Nelson
 - Matt Parachek-
 - Dave Roosevelt-
 - Scott Schouwenaar*
 - Greg Sharp-
 - Steven Taylor-

Motion by Sturmer to approve baseball coaches for Spring 2015 season. 2nd by Gagne. All in favor pending completion of aforementioned requirements.

- **Baseball/Softball Draft Clarification (Pnacek):**
 - BOD discussed and it was clarified that 1 coach is selected who will select an assistant after the draft.
- **Discussion re: playing outside of age group in Baseball (All):**
 - Those players interested in evaluating to play in a division above what the Dexter DLL designates by age will be considered. Eval criteria TBD.
 - Few on BOD would like to prevent any evaluating into an “older” division.
 - Arguments made for why those players who are in the same grade but not the same age should be allowed to evaluate up to an older division if they had been able to do so throughout their first 6 years in Little League and meet criteria.

Sturmer called the meeting to close at 8:39 pm.