

## Dexter Little League Board Meeting

April 11, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

Members present:

Melissa Boobyer, Greg Sharp, Paula Condron, Ed Gauthier, Rich Deleruyelle, Mara Greatorex, Samantha Brandt, Jodi Kniesteadt, Bryce McAllister, Jennifer Taylor, Charlie Gagne, Lisa Pitts, Jeff Kirkey

Members not present: Andrew Babicki, Dave Rosevelt, Jill Dromazos, Mike Guinta.

George Michos

- I. Opening day Update:
  - a. Helpers/Volunteers: Taylor reported that as of today, we have no help signed up for Opening Day. There are 24 shifts to be filled including grilling all day, trash duty, and set up help starting at 6:30am. Mill Creek CS&L students have been asked for additional help.
  - b. Parade: The parade line-up is done. The board will be acknowledged during the parade behind the Grand Marshall. She reminded the volunteers helping with the parade line up to stay with that station; find a spot for each division and NO PARENTS. It was suggested to make signs to help the line up of teams
  - c. Vendors: Hot Papi's, KV Sports and Bearclaw will be at opening day to sell merchandise and food.
  - d. Concession Stand: The CS&L Students from Mill Creek will be running the Concession Stand. Donuts and Pretzels have been ordered from the Dexter Bakery to sell in the morning.
  - e. Sewing: Still need help with sewing – only have three sewers. A suggestion was made to ask churches to see if they have any sewers who would like to help. Some of the early picture teams could be encouraged to get sewing done before the parade.
  - f. Sound System: Speakers wires are 30' long – can we order four longer wires. Sharp says it will be fine. Pay for it out of budget
  - g. Umpire water bottles: put a cooler/fridge in the umpire shed; Jennifer will keep it stocked. Check with Charlie. Concerned that concession workers will be handing out the Coke water and not the free Buschs water.
  - h. Taylor will get Pitts a list of the things that LaFontaine is donating for opening day for including July 30<sup>th</sup> – tickets for Tigers game that will be offered to coaches to put name in a hat for drawing.
- II. Uniform Update:
  - a. Sharp said uniforms are trickling in; and he is very happy with the vendor, KV sports. They included lists for each team with jersey size which cuts down on work for Jodi. George, from KV sports, came to evals to sell stock and make connections; will donate 10% of sales to DLL. They will also put names of

players on the backs of hats for. Dexter print & stitch (new business in town) – can do names on hats as well. It is the place that DLL got the team banners from this year. KV sports is sponsoring DLL this year – team sponsorship.

- b. New logo – rebranding proposal. The colors to match DHS colors, Maroon and Gold, the font is Fenway Park. Board Members had a discussion about the primary logo – colors on field – black or green. It was put to a vote: Black – 5, Green – 3, Abstain - 4
  - c. All star uniforms – “A” Teams will have a Maroon Vest, Black practice/undershirt and white pants with maroon and gold piping. “B” Team will have Black Vest, Maroon practice/undershirt and white pants with maroon and gold piping. Both teams will have black hats with Gold D.
- III. Field Update: Deleruyelle gave the status of the the fields. The fields need to be dragged and flattened out. The bating cage nets need to be put on and painted. Sod needs to be moved. Most of the tasks can be completed this Saturday during Field Clean Up day. He will have a list of things that need to be done by Thursday. Field 16 still needs to get the backstop up.
- IV. Umpire Update: Gagne would like to remind coaches that we have a lot of new umpires this year, and they will have to be patient with them. Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup> is the rules training. Coaches are welcome to attend.
- V. Safety Update:
- a. Volunteer Background Checks: McAllister reported that nearly all the coaches have filled out the forms and he sent in the first batch to be checked.
  - b. Safety and CPR Training is on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. AEDs have all been checked and restocked as needed.
- VI. Communications:
- Brandt reported that she sent out a text to test the emergency communications set up.
- She will send out emails to DLL families regarding Opening day, including parade start times and the suggestion to get patches sewn on before the parade.
- VII. Sponsorship. Pitts reported that the banners have been ordered for new sponsors and that the Sponsorship Board located at the Mill Creek fields will be updated before Opening Day.
- VIII. Presidents report:
- Boobyer shared that she would like to do something special for kids who hit homeruns (homeruns based on a hit, not errors) she suggested pins with the new DLL Logo. There was a discussion about when to distribute the pins and how to track the homeruns.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15