

## Countryside Little League- Board Meeting

### January 12, 2020 Minutes

#### **Peter, Clearwater Little League President**

- Peter attended a meeting with the City that we weren't available to attend and is here to share the information with us.
- New Co-Sponsor Agreement with City of Clearwater is going to require a Level 2 Background check for all volunteers. Usually signed in June. It is already in the Co-Sponsor Agreement we already signed in September (due to extensions and the City dragging their feet). Now they are expecting us to get volunteers approved before the volunteers hit the fields and the season is only a couple weeks away.
- This is a very expensive process that could cripple leagues.
- Having a Level 2 check on volunteers is a great think but poor implementation.
- Little League International offers us a
- Per Florida Statute volunteers have to be Level 1 but the Co-Sponsor Agreement misquotes Florida Statute.

#### **New Boardmember Webinar**

Tuesday 6:45 at City of Clearwater Fields

#### Registration Numbers

- 219 Baseball
- 48 Softball
- Majors must have an even distribution

#### Finalizing Skills Times

Baseball 1/18/2020

- 7-8 years old, 8:30 arrival, 9-10:15 am
- 9-10 year olds, 10:00 arrival, 10:30-Noon
- 12-1 Break
- 11-12 year olds, 12:30 arrival, 1 p.m.

Please include league age chart (not as a link).

Make-up Day Tuesday 1/21/2020, Arrival 6 pm, Start time 6:30 pm

Dick's Day 2/1/2020

Softball 1/25/2020

- 6-9 years old, 4:30 arrival, 4:45-5:45 pm

Make-up Day 1/27/2020, Arrival 5:45, Start time 6 pm

Volunteers:

- Nick will be here to set up a machine.
- Kim will help Dawn with registration.
- Keith Davis will be our independent evaluation for baseball.
- Ryan and Mike Leach will be here at 8 am.
- Dave Sobush independent evaluation for softball.

#### Skills

- AA no pitching skill evaluation

### **Slate of Managers**

- Discussion of the age divisions.
- Majors looks like 36-39 players.
- Dave Sobush comments: Fall went really well. Encourage at Majors level no more than 13 per team. In Major a 9 man line-up is allowed. Keep all kids' experience in mind when making league determinations rather than what is in the best interest for particular children.

#### Baseball

- Intermediate
  - Erik Brown
- SR
  - Jeff Clement
- Majors:
  - Adam Frankie
  - Charlie Potter
  - Patrick Cummings
- AA
  - Mike Davis
  - Nick Scalabrino
  - Andy Goodwin
  - Needed
- AAA
  - Mike Leach
  - Vince Rallo
  - Tom Donnelly
  - Chris Trautwein
  - Andy Park

#### Softball

- AA
  - Charles Irwin
  - Needed

- AAA
  - Chris Whelan
  - Needed
  
- Majors
  - Tom Bowe
  
- Juniors
  - Mike Cole

Motion to approve all softball and baseball managers as above. All approved.

### **Opening Day**

- Bounce Houses. Motion to approve up to \$1,500 for bounce houses for opening day. All approved.
- They are rented 11 am- 3 pm. We are going to request a quote for 11 am- 4 pm.
- Kona Ice. We have been on Pam's schedule for 2/22/2020. We normally give out coupons on opening day. Last season we gave them out on closing day. This season we would like to go back to opening day.
- We need to put in a request for the Mascots.
- Mike will coordinate the Mayor
- Rent PA

### **Uniforms**

- T-ball uniforms
  - We put the T-ball Little League patches on shoulders and numbers on the back. Gulf Sports- Dino. 7-8 day turn around. When the uniforms arrive, Vince will take them to Gulf Sports.
    - Patches were sold out.
  - Kim has been following up on the uniforms.
  - Hats came through Baker's.
- Uniforms
  - Must have information so she can order by 2/3/2020
  - We can not add American flag patches to the uniforms per International League rules.

### **Nick**

- Confirming rules with Oldsmar so that it isn't counterproductive to our players.
- Motion to play National Anthem every Saturday morning at 8:45 am. BMOD will say "Good morning Countryside Little League, please stand remove your hats for the National Anthem." All in favor.

- T-ball Jamboree-
- Dick's Day: 2/1/2020, 1-3 pm
- Manager's Meeting: 2/1/2020, 10-12 am
- T-ball Jamboree 1/26/2020, 1-3 pm
- Instead of doing a combo T-ball and A-Ball Jamboree, Nick will make an appearance at each team's practice.
- When parents provide medical information, the Board can not disclose that to the coaches.
- Recommendation of Robin Potter to the Safety Position.
  - League Information Officer is also open.
  - Umpire Chief is also open. Position requires daytime activity.
- We need to make sure playoffs are scheduled during league time.

Michelle:

- Michele Smith scheduled for 1/25/2020
  - Registration needs to be open.

Dawn:

- Financials. Baker's balls.
- Checklists.
  - Please everyone review.
- Sponsorship outstanding balances. Will discuss with Peter later.

Ryan:

- Skills format.
  - When an 8 year old wants to try out for AAA, have 9 year olds, then 10 year old, and then have the 8 year olds go.
  - Have those kids face live pitching.
- Movie Night
  - Field of Dreams
  - Sand Lot

Mike:

- March 30, 2020- April 11, 2020- Largo reached out about a AAA tournament. We will let them know we are interested.
- Softball is discussing hosting a tournament.
- AA discussed having a tournament.

Board Positions Open:

- President
- League Information Officer
- Safety Officer

- Umpire Officer