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April 9, 2019

**Meeting called to order at 7 PM by Debbie Bedell
Neighborhood Church, Albany, OR**

Present:

Staff: Debbie Bedell, Brandon Borst, Tom Bowman, Cari Buchholz, Mike Falzone, John Foster, Leslie Parpart, Jeff Thompson

League Presidents: Cascade – Liz Rife, Corvallis – Louie Bottaro, East Lane – Paul Carey, Eugene – Mike Moreno, Keizer – Brad Arnsmeier, Mid Valley – Mandy Jennings, Parrish – Mike Bevens, Tri-Cities – Lori Walker Hernandez

Absent:

Staff: Mary Arnold, Ron Care, Duane Bedell, Jeff Buyserie, Jalynn Miller, Jeff Pinkerton, Steve Thompson

League Presidents: Mt. Angel – Bridgit Stoops, Sheldon – Greg Graziano, South Salem – Anna Wagner, South Valley – Chris Cushman, Sprague – Tony Strenke, West Salem – Ethan Griffith

Guests: Lisa Buik, Keizer Little League; Andrew Hernandez, Tri-Cities, Safety Officer

No Quorum for meeting when called to order (late arrivals of Presidents made for an eventual quorum)

Treasure report: Sheet given. Debbie asked that Brad Arnsmeier, Jeff Pinkerton, Mike Bevens, and she get together to discuss Pioneer Fund distribution. Jeff will set meeting up.

Meeting Minutes: No motion as no quorum.

Old Business:

1. President check list (it is attached)

- a. Financials:** Taxes were due February 15, 2019. Please see that a copy of the paperwork sent in for your league is given to Cari. See the attached chart to see if your league has submitted.
- b. ASAP:** D7 leagues had all turned in on time and only waiting on registration from Mt. Angel Little League.
- c. Player Age Form and Fees:** Please see spreadsheet attached. Form is attached as well.
- d. Monies owed and credited:** there is updated information on the check off chart.

2. **Interleague/Combined Team forms:** These are done online. Procedure: League A fills out a request, then the league requests accepts, form then goes to Cari for approval/submission. The league's that are put on the initial request DO NOT fill out a request.
3. **Softball Interleague Schedules:** Cari will send back out. Cascade no longer has a SBJR team.
4. **Baseball Interleague Schedules:** Need contact information for managers and coaches. Cari will send out a request to leagues to submit information.
 - a. **Scheduler contacts:**
 - i. **Keizer:** joseph@keizerlittleleague.org Joseph Demianew
 - ii. **Cascade:** rbgordon@wbcable.net Ryan Gordon
5. **Tournament of Champions:** The Interleague schedule doesn't allow for BB games as games are scheduled during the week that TOC would need to take place. However, the SB schedule has slots available the week of June 10 – so may hold a SB TOC
6. **Special Games:** It is a hard copy form to fill out and give to Cari. Put every league down so all are covered (doesn't matter if they don't play). Give at least 2 weeks for approval for Little League games. Non-Little League games can take longer for approval. *Liz asked that Cari address at State Meeting and at Western Regional Round Table to discuss streamlining special games. Liz was encouraged to email Western Regional with ideas and share them with D7 Presidents and if so inclined, those Presidents also email (using different language not copying and pasting the same email) Western Regional. The more emails received regarding an idea, the better it is received.*
7. **Tournaments:**
 - a. Crushers (Cascade): Memorial Day Weekend: 13U and 12U, website has information, Jeff Buyserie is coordinating umpires, unsure of game guarantee.
 - b. Iris Festival (Keizer): May 17, 18, 19, LL and Open brackets. 4 game guarantee, \$350 entry, balls are provided.
 - c. Mother's Day (Parrish): Mother's Day weekend, Little League teams only, 4 game guarantee, \$275, balls are provided.

New Business:

1. **Patches on Uniforms:** Make sure that player jersey's have patches; also, look to the future and plan for patches for All Star uniforms now.
2. **Blue Sombrero:** Check the Inactive Reports feature. This is a report that is generated by families that don't finish registrations. Parrish found that some parents thought they had finished registration but didn't and this appears to be where these registrations land (as opposed to the shopping cart feature).
3. **Paid Umpires:** While Little League prefers umpires are volunteer based, if umpires are paid make sure that the league is protected against lawsuit regarding workman's comp. For more information, <https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/dont-let-this-happen-paying-umpires-results-in-workers-comp-lawsuit/>
4. **Umpires:** Jeff T. handed out a list of umpires, their home league, and email that are willing to travel and do games.
 - a. Be aware that they will probably give their home league game priority.
 - b. Background checks must be done by the league where they are umpiring (home league might be Keizer, but if they umpire for West Salem, West Salem is responsible for doing background).
 - c. They will try and cover as many games as possible.

- 5. Fall Ball:** Meeting the first to middle of July and start games in mid-August. Presidents agreed that this would be a good idea.
- 6. District Tournaments:** Parrish has requested all baseball except for 50/70 as they don't have the fields for 50/70, Sprague has requested Major BB, Keizer has requested softball. Cascade spoke at meeting and said they were willing to do 50/70, Keizer spoke at the meeting and said they were interested in any baseball.
- 7. State Tournaments:**
 - a.** It was brought up about Gold Hill fields and players having to pick up rocks on the field prior to play. What does OR State LL require of districts and leagues to hold state tournaments? Presidents asked that Cari express concern about quality of playing fields when assigning state tournaments to leagues.
 - b.** Concern about air quality. Presidents asked that Cari bring up forest fires (smoke, ash, air quality issues) and to have clear guidelines/expectations on games being played and safety to players.
 - c.** Would like to have state tournaments start on a Saturday instead of a Thursday or Friday (manager meeting could be Friday night) so if a team is out, they can head home, and parents are missing work.
- 8. May Meeting:**
 - a. DA election:** May meeting is DA election. Please plan as all Presidents vote on DA.
 - b. Start Dates for Tournaments:** will be given. Little League is pushing to for teams to have 6 or 7 days between tournaments.
 - c. Bracket Drawing for District Tournaments:** Leagues will draw for bracket placing.
- 9. ORD7 Staff Meeting:** June 9, 6PM. Time and place will be given out later.

President's Contact: Attached with updated Presidential information.

Motion was made by Jeff and seconded by Paul to adjourn at 8:15. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully
Leslie Parpart
Secretary/Scorekeeper
District 7

*Next meeting potential agenda item(s):
Please let Cari know so she can place on
agenda*

Additional dates to remember:

May 14

June 9 – ORD7 Staff meeting 6 PM place information to follow

June 18 – Certification night for tournaments

July – Fall Ball meeting only (no regular D7 meeting)

NO D7 meetings in July, August, September