



P.O. BOX 17661, SALEM, OR 97305

February 7, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by DA Sarah Hoppe

Online Zoom meeting

Present:

Staff: Eric Anderson, Tom Bowman, Jeff Buyserie, John Foster, Sarah Hoppe, Jalynn Miller, Leslie Parpart, Jeff Pinkerton, Jeff Thompson, Susan Thompson, Andy Woodridge

League Presidents: Cascade – Mike Majors, East Lane – Beau Chavez, Eugene – Mike Moreno, Keizer – David Cleland, Mt. Angel – Amber Banducci, Parrish – Kyle Dziedzic, Sheldon – Tim McDade, S. Salem – Shaun Smith, Sprague – Kevin Lafky, Tri-Cities – Lori Walker Hernandez, W. Salem – Ethan Griffith

Absent:

Staff: Mary Arnold, Mike Falzone

League Presidents: Corvallis – Chad Barber, Mid Valley – Dan Gerard, S. Valley – Chris Cushman

Guests: Joe Zehr Cascade BBVP, Holly Atkinson Cascade SBVP

Minutes: Kevin moved, and it was seconded to approve December 2022 minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

Treasury Report: Treasury information was sent via email by Susan to Presidents and staff. Those documents will be attached to the Minutes when mailed out. Susan is working on a budget to be presented at next meeting. Sarah shared what D4 budget and went over later in the meeting. Presidents were reminded that taxes and DOJ are due on or before February 15, 2023. Please make sure and send a copy to Sarah.

ADA Reports: No reports given.

Umpire Reports: Jeff T.:

- Mechanic training is being offered by the state at OutReach Clinic at Hood View March 25 and 26. A flyer will be attached to the Minutes when mailed out.
- District training looking to hold one in the Salem area as well as the Eugene area.
 - Eugene – need access to a gym. Would like to do Saturday, March 11
 - Salem – April 1, 9-3 in a large meeting room at the Volcano Stadium facility. If weather permits, may be able to get outside.

Comments:

- Ethan asked if more umpires will be available for AAA and Major coverage this coming season. Jeff encouraged all leagues to train more parents to step up and help.

- Lori asked if anyone could come March 11 to Tri-Cities. They have access to an indoor facility and are holding their manager/coach meeting that day. Lori and Jeff will connect outside of the meeting.
- Eric said that there was still space at the Outreach Clinic.
- Beau asked for additional information regarding a clinic on March 11 as they have an activity happening from 9-3. Umpire training could be a part of that day's activities. There is a covered area available. Beau and Jeff will connect outside the meeting.
- Sarah stressed the importance of training younger adults as most of the umpires in our league are age 40 and over. We have 16 leagues in D7 and all leagues need umpires. She also shared Umpires that will be participating in this year's regional and world series games. We should be proud as Oregon has several umpires that will be working softball and baseball.

Umpire Scheduling: Andy W.:

- Andy will be putting together umpires scheduling for major, 50/70 and Junior baseball and softball.
- Anyone can create an account and have access to the calendar.
- Please make sure and notify Andy of any changes to field or time including cancellations.
- Tom will try and figure out how to put the calendar on the D7 website if possible.

Old Business:

1. Conference recap: D7 paid out \$3100 (in the red). Possible reasons: food costs when up, many showed for Saturday only (smaller registration fee) and small number of vendors. Feedback has been positive on the classes held. Next year's conference will be held at Seven Feathers Resort/Casino. Date is reserved for the end of February. More information will be available later.
2. Leagues still needing to complete items: Charter: Keizer and South Valley; Outstanding balances: Cascade, Eugene, West Salem; ASAP: Due by February 28th. West and South Salem are both approved, many leagues have not started. There is a stipend of \$600 if the District has all league ASAP's in on time. If a league doesn't get it done and in on time, D7 will bill \$600; background checks must be done prior to league evaluations, if a background check comes back flagged if an umpire has completed for the Umpire Registry, they're background doesn't have to be done again.
3. Concussion training must be completed by managers, coaches and umpires before the season starts. Copy of the certificate must be in the All-Star book.
4. If a manager or coach is interested in All-Stars, they must complete Diamond Leader training and they All-Star book has their completed certificate. No practice or scrimmage can be held before this training is done.

New Business:

1. Registrations: How are numbers looking? Online numbers are looking good. If a league isn't using online registration, be sure and upload registrations as its needed for ASAP. Online issue: age for each division. The online chat works well to problem solve and trouble shoot.
2. Waivers: They are do by June 1 – meaning they must be approved by June 1. Please be sure and get them in to allow for approval. Question: can JRBB league age 15 play juniors and pitch. They can play Junior level if no senior level available, but they can not pitch. It was asked if a waiver could be put in for permission for a 15-year-old to pitch. There is no form Leslie stated for a

League President to write D7 DA an email stating request and why. Then, D7 DA can submit to WR who either can address or send it up the chain. The DA and league will be notified of decision.

3. District Tournaments:

- Interleague brought up. Motion made by Kevin and seconded that Interleague games will start April 15. Leagues can play games prior. Andy pointed out that April, May and June only have four Saturdays each.
- Tournament of Champions was brought up again. Tabled to March
- In the past, D7 tournaments have started June 16 (SB) and the 22 (BB)
- Dates are still fluid as State Tournaments impact. A week is needed between tournaments for pitching, travel, rest.

4. State Tournaments:

- D7 is hosting SB 8-10 and SB 9-11
- Sarah likes to be present and has scheduling issues the end of July.

Open Floor:

1. Mike M: Little League Travel Ball Program. It's a new program being offered by Little League. Can we explore it? Any league's interested?
2. Keizer Tournament: sponsored by Advantage Mortgage and Mavericks Association. It will be an annual tournament held Father's Day Weekend in June at Keizer fields.
3. Moving March meeting to March 5 to allow more time for season preparations.
4. Interleague issues: Teams saying they are willing to travel, but then don't. Would also like to see interleague at the Minor AA level. Some leagues only have 1 team and need team(s) to play. Both teams need to be willing to travel.

Next meeting is March 07, 2023, place to be determined

Motion made by Kevin and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM

Leslie Parpart
ORD7 Secretary