



Parkway Little League
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PLL BOARD MEETING FROM 1/11/16

Attendance

Present

Ian Browne
John Burns
Jim Gallagher
Jack Lane
Jim McAdams
Rob McLaughlin
Pat Murphy
Brian Nolan
Adam Polgreen
Rick Swiman
Rick Treseler
Bob Todd

Not Present

Mike Barone
Ed Fitzgerald
Rich Myers
Sean Russell
John Tobin

11:9:1

McDonough Field Scoreboard Replacement: A discussion took place concerning the replacement of the McDonough Field scoreboard, a non-working scoreboard. Due to limited availability of funds, the Board agreed that the best solution to replacing the scoreboard is through a one-time sponsor donation. Rich Myers indicated that Roche Bros. may be willing to provide funding for this capital need.

Action: Prepare estimate to install new scoreboard for McDonough Field; Present funding requirements to Roche Brothers.

12:16:15

The primary service feed to the Praught field scoreboard is severed. A new primary service must be installed prior to Opening Day.



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Action: Retain vendor to install new service to scoreboard. 1/11/16 no action;

11:9:4

Jim McAdams will coordinate Opening Day festivities on April 16, 2016. Rick Treseler will contact Tom Donahue to assist with organizing permits and bands. A motion was approved to provide Mr. Donohue with a gift card for his assistance.

Action: Obtain necessary permits from Park and Rec and BTB.

11:9:5

Jim Gallagher states a second collection to return equipment will be scheduled for late January.

Action: Schedule 2nd equipment collection and notify coaches.

11:9:7

Mandatory First Aid Training: John Burns stated that he will coordinate the details and schedule for the volunteer first aid training with Rick Deraney.

Action: Burns to notify the board when he finalizes dates for safety training.

11:19:14

Rick Treseler requested that the new Major Division playoff format should be post on the league website.

Action: The 2016 Major Division playoff format is posted on the website. This issue is resolved.

11:19:15

Mass AG Regulatory Filings: Bob Todd stated that Mass AG Form PC is complete and available for submission to the Mass AG office.

Action: Bob Todd to file Mass AG Form PC. This issue is resolved.

12:16:6

Rick Treseler stated that the 2016 LL charter and insurance renewal has been approved and certificate of insurance has been issued by LL International.



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Action: This issue is resolved.

12:16:7

Rick Treseler stated that spring registration is now available on-line. Rick Treseler asked Brian Nolan to provide the required advertisements in the local media. Rick also recommended that Parkway hold (1) walk in registration on March 5th at the Roche Rink Rick will check with Mike O'Brien to see if the registration can be held during Parkway Hockey.

Action: Rick Treseler to seek permission from Parkway Youth Hockey to conduct a walk-in registration on 3/5;

12:16:11

The Board approved a motion to install lock boxes for the (3) irrigation controllers.

Action: Measure and order the necessary lock-boxes for installation.
1/11/16 - no action taken on his item.

12:16:15

Clubhouse Cleaning Service: The Board approved a motion to retain a professional cleaning service for the clubhouse.

Action: Joe Gambon agreed to provide a profession cleaning service for the clubhouse once the water service is restored during March.

12:16:16

Rob McLaughlin noted that LL International recently increased the tournament entry fee by \$50 per team. Adding to this issue, Rick Treseler opined about the difficulty in securing commitments for 11 yr old tournament team managers during the past two seasons. The Board agreed in general to table the discussion on providing funding and support to the U11 tournament teams in light of the increased cost and lukewarm support for these teams.

Action: Continue discussion on funding and support for the U11 tournament teams.

11:9:2

Proposed 2016 Minor Divison Format: The Board approved a motion brought by Rob McLaughlin to implement a new Minors division format. The following



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Divisions will replace the current Minors Division effective for the 2016 season:

- Division AAA(player pitch): ages 10 and 11, and non-Major 12 yr olds
- Division AA (player pitch): ages 8 and 9
- Division A (coach-pitch division): ages 7, and returning 6 yr olds;
- T-Ball: ages 4 and 5, and all first time 6 yr old players;

* The approved motion includes the following local options effective for the 2016 season:

1. All 8 year old players are permitted to enroll in the new AA player-pitch division;
2. All 6 year old players with at least one year of prior T-Ball experience are eligible to enroll in the new Division A, coach-pitch division.

Action: AA and A Divisional GM's should prepare guidelines for play including additional local options that the Board may implement for these divisions. Rick Treseler to solicit prices for professional training to complement the AAA, AA, and A Divisions. Adam Polgreen to provide open dates in the master schedule to accommodate the training events.

1:11:1

Rick Swiman states that sponsor renewal letters have been mailed to all 2015 Parkway sponsors. Rick encouraged other members to bring forward new sponsor leads.

Action: Rick Swiman and Mike Barone to continue securing sponsor donations and arrange for advertising at the PLL complex.

11:9:2

Rob McLaughlin presented the new and Rick Treseler put the vision of our new divisional format into writing. It is currently available for perusal on the website so that all parents and coaches understand our objectives.



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The board also agreed to the following fee structure for the new Minors Divisions as follows:

Division AAA: \$190 per player
Division AA: \$190 per player
Division A: \$150 per player
T-Ball Division: \$150 per player

The current sibling fees of \$100 (1st sibling), \$75 (2nd sibling), and no fee for 3rd or more sibling shall remain in effect for the 2016 season.

Action: Provide comment on the proposed Minors Division guidelines and local options.

A) Rick Treseler is continuing to evaluate the cost of professional trainers that will make our Single-A through Triple-A Divisions successful.

B) Rob McLaughlin (Triple-A GM) and John Burns (Double-A GM) are in the process of identifying coaches for those divisions.

C) Rob McLaughlin proposed team names for Single-A, Double-A and Triple-A, and the board agreed that we don't need to have duplicate team names in any two divisions in Parkway. For example, the Cubs are a Major League team so there will no longer be the Cubs in any other division.

D) Identify honoree for Division AA;

1:11:2

Budget: Rick Treseler stated that the 2016 budget will be issued within the next several days. The document will be distributed by email upon completion.

Action: Rick Treseler to complete and issue the draft 2016 budget for board review.

1:11:3

Adam Polgreen stated that a draft of the Major Division schedule is complete. The schedule will be reviewed by Rick Treseler prior to distribution for comment by the Board. Adam states that the schedule is



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based on the Majors playing approximately 3 games per week beginning April 16th and concluding on June 15th. The board also discussed the need to prepare an official makeup game policy to provide for the orderly scheduling of make-make up games. Rick Treseler noted that the Commissioner reverses the final decision on scheduling makeup games or adjusting for schedule conflicts.

Action: Distribute proposed Major Division schedule for review and comment. Commissioner or Board to prepare draft of proposed make-up game policy.

1:11:4

Rick Treseler inquired as to the status of the request for use of the Jason Roberts field for this season. It was noted that this issue was previously assigned to Rich Myers.

Action: Rick Treseler will contact Rich Myers to inquire about the status of the negotiations and donation for the use of Jason Roberts field.

1:11:5

Rick Treseler stated that the new ordinance has been posted on the league website. Additional communications with each manager, coach, volunteer, parent and player will be issued at a future date. The board also discussed how best to implement the new City of Boston Tobacco Use Ordinance at all Parkway facilities and off-site practice fields. Rick Treseler asked whether the ordinance should be included as a condition of each player registration. This suggestion was rejected by the board as unnecessary. Some members indicated that signs posting the new ordinance should be installed at the complex to remind visitors about the new City regulation. One member even stated that the signs should be available from the City of Boston.

Action: Inquire with the City of Boston on the availability of signs outlining the new ordinance.

1:11:16: Hazard Insurance: Rick Treseler asked for assistance from other members to solicit proposals for hazard insurance for the league property. Jim Gallagher and Pat Murphy stated that they could provide names of insurance agents to contact.

Action: Jim and Pat to provide names of agents that may be able to provide quotes for hazard insurance;



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