

PLL Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday, April 7, Elks Club, 7 p.m.

Attendance

Kevin Boczkowski
Ian Browne
John Burns
Kevin Cloutier,
Rich Curran
Keith Gagnon
Pat Goonan
Dave Greenwood
Mark Loewen
Tim Mills
Pat Murphy
Brian Nolan
Dennis Roache
Michael Seaton
Bill Sittig
Brian Taggart

Absent

Keith Barry

4:7:1

Approval of by-laws

Secretary Ian Browne recently sent out a copy of the Parkway Little League by-laws and asked the board to look them over. The board voted unanimously to approve the by-laws as currently constituted.

11:9:4

Facilities update

Tim Mills said the fields are all set to go for the upcoming Opening Day. All that's left to do is paint the foul lines. Groundskeeper Curley Peterson has the infields all set. Sponsorship signs will be taken care of.

Big news. Boston Exteriors is re-roofing all the dugouts, the clubhouse and the scorers box at Praught and the clubhouse roof. They had about 30 guys down there. Dennis Roache lets it be known that Joe Danz, who runs Boston Exteriors, is an alumni of PLL from 1995-96, and Dave Greenwood coordinated this effort. Boston Exteriors did about \$10-12,000 worth of in-kind work because Joe Danz wanted to give back to the league. In exchange, he will get some sponsorship opportunities with our league. Dave Greenwood will work with him on that.

4:7:2

Opening Day update

With no full parade this year due to Covid, all the Majors kids are having a walk from CM to the complex. Directions went out to all the coaches yesterday and parents will get all the info. We will gather around Praught Field for a short ceremony to kick off Opening Day. We

will follow all social-distancing guidelines. Boston Police will shut off the road just for that 15-minute window.

There will be a DJ playing music, make it as fun as we can for the kids. We will pay tribute to some important Parkway alums who have passed away recently, including Bob Fallon, John Donovan and John O'Leary's mom.

4:7:3

Equipment update

Rich Curran said we added two more teams for T-ball and the uniforms were ordered through SuperFlash.

With rosters going out, coaches will start to look for their equipment. Rich asks the division GMs to coordinate a time for him to hook up with the coaches.

Majors hats will be ready on Friday.

4:7:4

Approval of scorekeeper

The Majors Cardinals would like to add Tab Brown as their scorekeeper. The board approves the recommendation.

4:7:5

Majors umpires update

Walter Benson is the new Umpire Coordinator. Moe Gomez could no longer service our needs. Treasurer Brian Taggart will work with the new umpire coordinator to facilitate invoices, payment, attendance, etc. When Majors coaches report their scores to Ian Browne, they will make a note if two umpires don't show up for a game.

4:7:6

Junior Umpire update

Brian Nolan reports that there were five classes for the junior umpires. Ed King led the program as usual. There will be another class on Friday at McDonough to teach the umps how to position themselves. After that, the umpires will take the test.

Brian asks the board to approve a gift card for Ed to thank him for his hard work. The board approves.

11:9:3

Sponsorship update

Dave Greenwood updates us with a spreadsheet on the new sponsors we've received so far as well as the returning sponsors. Dave thinks we are in reach with our goal of how much sponsorship revenue we will raise. Dennis praises Dave Greenwood for being a 'bulldog' with sponsorships.

11:9:2

General ledger update

Treasurer Brian Taggart sent out a general ledger update electronically earlier in the day and recapped the board at the meeting. Dennis is confident we are going to come out of the Covid situation ahead of our projections for the year. Dennis notes that we budgeted very carefully

and will have a top notch program this year and then have a healthy balance at the end of the year.

4:7:7

First Aid Training for instructional and T-Ball

John Burns notes that last week they ran first-aid training for Majors and Minors. Dave Greenwood's wife Jackie ran the program. We will do this again on April 17 for Instructional and T-Ball. John makes motion to give Jackie Greenwood a gift card as a token of appreciation for her efforts on our behalf. The board approves the motion.

4:7:8

Volunteer forms

John Burns provides an update on how many volunteers have filled out their JDP forms, I-Cori, concussion certificates, etc. John said he has 76 JDP Cori checks completed. John will stay on this with the division GMs. John will provide a list of all coaches who need to fill the i-cori forms out.

4:7:9

Update on Player Agent list

John Burns notes there are only four players on the Player Agent list. That means there are only four kids available to be called up to the Majors if there are season-ending injuries or kids decide not to play anymore, etc.

4:7:10

Temporary call-ups

Like last year, John will have a rotating list of temporary call-ups for when the Majors needs replacements on a temporary basis. So far, about 15 kids are on the list. John will set a deadline each week for coaches to let him know if they need to call someone up.

4:7:11

Board requirements, keeping up with responsibilities

John Burns starts a frank discussion with the board about how everyone needs to pull their weight so it's not the same 6-7 people doing all the work. Dennis backs John's statement and says that any new board member who is unsure how to execute a task or responsibility is welcome to contact him or vice president Rich Curran for guidance.

4:7:12

All-Star selection process

Summer Coordinator Bill Sittig will oversee the All-Star selection process and will stick with the format the board put together two years ago. There will be an All-Star manager selection committee consisting of summer coordinator (Sittig), Majors GM (Ian Browne), commissioner (Pat Murphy) and two at-large board members who will volunteer for the committee. If more than two BOD members volunteer, we will have a vote on which two will be on the committee. Managers will be selected in mid-May. Players should be selected by mid to late-May with the same voting system the board instituted two years ago. Some of the formula will need to be modified because we now have eight Majors teams instead of 10.