

PLL Board Meeting, Jan. 9, 2023, 7:30 p.m., Elks club

Attendance

John Burns
Dan Chisholm
Rich Curran
Kristen Earle
Gavin Flanagan
Keith Gagnon
Dave Greenwood
Mike Liendo
Tim Mills
Matt Pieroway
Dennis Roache
Mike Seaton
Bill Sittig
Brian Taggart

Absent

Ian Browne
Kevin Cloutier
Masai King

Senior Members present

John Consoloni Charles (Curley) Peterson

Senior Membership Open forum

Charles (Curley) Peters, our groundskeeper extraordinaire, signed a threeyear extension with Parkway through the 2025 season.

11:14:1

Bunker project/Fundraiser update

Dennis is working almost daily with contractors. Plan is to have Bunker ADA accessible. The hope is to have design sketches by mid Feb. The go-fund me page started on Jan. 2. There will be more videos to follow in an effort to generate more momentum. Rich Curran wondered about having a sign painted to show the fundraising progress and leave it at the complex so people can see it. The board encourages everyone to keep spreading the word. Dave Greenwood said the fundraising info will be on the back of the West Roxbury Bulletin for four weeks.



11:14:7

Sponsorship Update

Dave Greenwood says new updated brochures are in the works. Hope to have them available in a week or so. FYI - Bunker donations and "regular" donations will of course comingle, which will skew this year's numbers.

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General Ledger Update

As discussed during our last meeting, our financial year will now be 1/1 - 12/31. The General Ledger has been adjusted to reflect this change going forward. Bunker \$ and GL updates given. On another note, Brian adds that we are a tax-exempt organization which means that we are exempt from paying taxes. Please reach out to Brian Taggart should you have any expenses where our official tax exempt status is needed.

11:14:3

Facility updates

Curley has worked on a solution for the overflow of water we've been dealing with in right field at McDonough where he has moved large amounts of crushed stone to build up the area. Tim Mills is also working on obtaining a new more cost efficient vendor to replace Tru Green.

12:18:5

Majors schedule update

Plan is to go with a similar schedule to last year, 14 gamers per team. You play every team twice.

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Majors playoff format

The board will ultimately decide what is best for the league, but here were the results of a poll with the managers. One team was OK with either format. Four prefer the double-elimination format we used the last year. Three prefer the format we used in the past, which was two play-in games, two best of-three semifinals, and a best-of-three championship round.

1:9:2

Opening Day update

Opening Day coordinator Masai King is working on all the permits the league needs to acquire for Opening Day. Opening Day will be held on Saturday, April 8.



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Equipment update

Rich Curran sent emails to teams this week to attempt to get Majors team uniform sizes.

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Registration update

Mike Seaton sent out a data update on registrations for the coming season via e-mail to the board earlier in the day. We are ahead of last year's pace.

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Coach/CORI update

Once managers and assistant coaches are finalized and approved, all division GMs needs to stress CORI updates for all volunteers. Majors managers are already approved and can start getting CORI'd ASAP. Ian Browne will finalize a list of Majors assistant coaches and scorekeepers to get approved so those volunteers can participate in winter practices.

12:18:6

LL International rules

As discussed at the last meeting, LL International has changed rules for All-Stars, saying all teams must bat a continuous lineup of all players rather than have subs. For this reason, Mike Liendo would like PLL to choose 12 kids per team rather than 13/14, and the coaches should have the last two picks. Board to discuss further.

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Keeping the 2/1 rule

Though PLL could institute a local option in regular-season play of using a continuous batting order, Mike Liendo stresses that his belief that we should keep the nine-player batting order and keep the two innings/one atbat minimum rule in effect for subs. At this point, PLL has no plans to change that rule, Liendo is told.

