

Ingram Little League

Directors Meeting

December 6, 2011

Present: James Craft, Josh Craft, Thomas Jeffers, Carol Murphy, Caryn Samford & Justin Samford

The meeting opened at 7:08 with a prayer by Thomas Jeffers.

Registration

Josh recommended that whoever does the registration this year run them with "stations". ie. one person makes copies, one person enters information, one person take the money, etc. The registration dates are set for January 7 (Saturday), 12 (Thursday), 19 (Thursday) & 21 (Saturday) 2012.

All registrations will be at the Living Tree Baptist Church. Saturday registrations will be from noon until 3:00 p.m. Weekday registrations will be from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

The following persons volunteered to head each registration date. Josh Craft 1/12, Thomas Jeffers 1/7 & 1/21 and Justin Samford 1/19.

It was agreed that prior to January 7th, these four persons (along with persons they recruit to help), get together to go over registration procedures and requirements. That meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Living Tree Baptist Church.

It was suggested by James Craft that the League could reduce the registration fees if we sold advertisements on the four corners of the Concession Stand and targeted those funds to go towards reducing registration fees.

MOTION

It was moved by Thomas Jeffers and seconded by Josh Craft to sell advertisements on the Concession Stand at \$395 each to help reduce registration fees and that registration fees would be reduced by 10% for the 2012 season. Vote was 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed unanimously.

Coaching Manager

It was agreed we need to elect a new Coaching Manager since neither James Craft nor James Colbath have been able to contact Roger Longoria (who volunteered for the Coaching Manager position) via phone, phone message, text message or email.

MOTION

Thomas Jeffers moved and seconded by Josh Craft to remove Roger Longoria as Coaching Manager. Vote was 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION

Thomas Jeffers moved and Josh Craft seconded that Gene Roarke be elected as new Coaching Manager. Vote was 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed unanimously.

FIELD MAINTENANCE

It was agreed that the T-Ball field spectator stands need covers to a) shade the spectators and b) protect the spectators from errant foul balls. Josh Craft agreed to solicit donation of materials (pipe, tin roofing, etc.) to manufacture the covers. Justin Samford said he was sure James Colbath could gather persons to handle the welding.

MOTION

Caryn Samford moved and Josh Craft seconded a motion that the League construct covers over the T-Ball spectator stands. That Josh Craft is to bring construction costs to the next regularly scheduled board meeting for approval prior to any construction taking place. Vote was 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed unanimously.

WOOD PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

It was noted that the wood playground equipment between the batting cages and the mower shed is in need of extensive repair and that in it's present condition it is unsafe and a liability to the League. It was noted that the cost to repair the equipment and make it safe would probably exceed the value of the equipment. It was also noted that during games children were left to play without adult supervision and that during T-Ball games it became a distraction to the young players. Thomas Jeffers has a person who is willing to remove the equipment at no cost to the league.

MOTION

It was moved by Josh Craft and seconded by Caryn Samford that the wood playground equipment be removed and that Thomas Jeffers would coordinate the removal with the person he has contacted and is willing to do the removal. Vote was 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed unanimously.

FIELD UPGRADES

It was generally agreed after discussion it would be best to do all field upgrades as presented in the agenda.

T-Ball Field- \$320.00

Safety First Base- \$130.00

T-Ball Tees (3)- \$60.00

Field Gate- \$75.00

Home Plate in ground anchored- \$55.00

Softball Field- \$1,040.00

Safety First Base- \$130.00

T-Ball Tees (2)- \$60.00

Backstop Pad- \$850.00

Majors Field- \$1,040.00

Safety First Base- \$130.00

T-Ball Tees (2)- \$60.00

Backstop Pad- \$850.00

Total Proposed Field Upgrades expense= \$2,400.00

Justin Samford noted that in the years he played ball on the fields that he couldn't remember any instance where he was injured because there was no padding on the backstops. However, he thought backstop pads were a good idea.

It was noted by James Craft, that James Colbath had mentioned we might be able to have the Ingram ISD cover part, if not all the cost of the backstop pad for the softball field since they use it for the school girl's softball games. Josh Craft volunteered to approach Ingram ISD Superintendent JT Stoeder about this possibility.

MOTION

Carol Murphy moved and Thomas Jeffers seconded a motion that the board approve the field upgrades as presented and that the total expense should not exceed \$2,400. Vote was 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed unanimously.

BUDGET

It was agreed that Dawn Foster-Wood should be the point person for preparing a budget since she was the Treasurer. Since Dawn was not present, this subject was tabled until the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

BOARD REPORTS

Thomas Jeffers will bring proposal to the board's next regularly scheduled meeting for concession stand renovation needs.

Caryn Samford will bring information to the next regularly scheduled board meeting regarding fund raising candy sales.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly board meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Living Tree Baptist Church.

Caryn Samford moved and Thomas Jeffers seconded the motion for adjournment. Vote was 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer by Thomas Jeffers at 8:23 p.m.

James Craft
Acting Secretary