

Alameda Little League Board Meeting Minutes September 24, 2019

1. Call to order @ 6:17 pm
Attendees: Ron Matthews, Phil Woodworth, Cooke, Furuichi, Skuta, Sommai LeBron-Cooke, Joel Plaisance, Stephen and Laria Pippen, Harry DeCourcy, Jim and Melinda Quilici

2. Approve minutes from prior General Membership Meeting: Derek Furuichi motioned Pippen seconded, all approved.

3. **Oral Communications:** N/A

4. **Financial Report:**

Joel cleaned up old items. Tobin did a review of the program. Cleaned up all the Fall Ball expenses too. The Fall program made almost \$8,000.

Field prep expenses: we have monthly maintenance fees because Toby, Brendan and Scott are paid to keep the fields maintained.

Registration has started and players are being registered.

Taxes: down to the penny, fantastic job by Joel.

5. **President's Report:** First year that the background checks were done efficiently.

The snack bar was run efficiently and made money. We could use a couple more supervisors. About \$37,000 gross, \$22,000 net.

We had some income related to the banners, about \$5,350. Would like to sell more bricks, but not a big response.

The A's game was a huge success. The A's organization gave 500 tickets to distribute. They were distributed to the graduates and fall ball participants.

Minor field outfield fences were replaced last off season. We just completed the major field fence this past August. Should last 20 years. The wood that was recovered from the old fence, were used by the batting cages.

Saturday night, (Ron, Brendan and Jim) will be recognized at the District 4 volunteer appreciation dinner. Alameda LL is up to receive the Lewis Cup Award. We could receive \$1,500, if we earned the most points.

6. **Election of officers and directors:**

Ballot:

President: Ron Matthews

Director of Intermediate: Dustin Chavez

Director of Umpires: Jim Quilici

Treasurer: Joel Plaisance
Safety: Tony Olaes
Director at Large: Ed Owens
Assistant Director Fundraising: Sommai Lebron Cooke

Laria Pippen moves to approve the ballot. Joel seconds. All in favor, none opposed.

7. **Questions and Answers:**

Estuary Park: 435 hours were charged from the city, but 258 were used. We did not know we had to turn back the field if it rained. Ron is battling with the city to reverse the charge.

Laria Pippen: Fall fundraiser – she thought of having a fundraiser at Tuckers sometime in October. We would have laptops in the patio for anyone who wanted to register. Would like to try to host a lecture (by an A's player) to draw people to come in talk about their experience. We want to try to recruit managers. We could charge \$20.

Furuichi: There was some alcohol at the games. Board members are encouraged to shut it down when they see it. We will look in our bylaws that address alcohol and vaping.

Dumont: Wants to know if the fields are evaluating the safety of the fields. Particularly the fences by the back cages. Ron is looking into a fence contractor to fix the issue. The cost is approximately \$10,000.

Jim Quilici: The goal of District 4 was to increase participation this year. There has been a decline. They want a 5% increase in membership.

8. **Adjournment** - Meeting adjourned @ 7:30 pm