# Hardball Board Meeting High Plains Community Center Cafeteria March 16, 2023

#### Attendees:

Adam Dinihanian	Brian Fournier	Julie Ramos	Justin Berlepsch
Joe Smeraglino	Bryan Terlizzi	Eric Jadach	Jenn Schempp
Eric Melingonis	John Wyskiel	Dave Audie	
Jeremy Virgil	Jay Jaffer	Paul Ballas	
Joanne Smeraglino	Jeff Silverman	Mike Bouchard	

Call to meeting: 6:38pm

Adam Dinihianian started the meeting by asking if there is anyone in attendance that wants to be voted in as a new hardball member?

• Mike Bouchard and Joanne Smeraglino

Motion to approve new members Seconded by Eric Melingonis All in favor

#### Brian Fournier:

- Teams are set up and had evaluations and drafts for Majors and Easterns
- Coach Pitch & Rookies managers will be receiving their rosters soon

Approval of managers by Brian Fournier:

Majors: Dave Audie, Mike Rahn, Joe Michel, Adam Dinihanian, Joe Smeraglino, Eric Jadach

Motion to approve Majors managers by Brian Fournier Seconded by John Wyskiel Time allotted for open discussion: no comments All in favor

Easterns: John Steiner, Brian Fournier, Jeremy Virgil, Paul Ballas, BJ Palumbo, Justin Berlepsch, Eric Melingonis

Motion to approve Easterns Managers by Brian Fournier Seconded by Jay Jaffer Time allotted for open discussion: no comments All in Favor

Rookies: Bryan Terlizzi, Mike Iannone, Dave Gervais, Melvin Saunders

Motion to approve Rookies managers by Brian Fournier Seconded by Jay Jaffer Time allotted for open discussion: no comments All approved Coach Pitch: Peter Gallo, Robert Hames, Ryan Bova, Dina Guerra, Christian Malerba, Anthony Ayala

Motion to approve Coach Pitch managers by Brian Fournier Seconded by Jay Jaffer Time allotted for open discussion: no comments All Approved

#### T-ball

- Currently 106 players
- Will have 10 teams
- Still looking for a couple more managers

## Registration numbers:

60 – Majors

69 - Easterns

39 - Rookies

61 – Coach Pitch

106 - T-ball

Jeff Silverman needs name and contacts of assistant coaches for background checks

- If a parents will be helping in 3 or more occurrences, practices and games, need background check
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> coaches meeting

All teams, with the exception of Rookies and t-ball, have received their contact information

Rookies met last night to so they should be getting their official rosters soon

#### Season Timeline by Adam

- Safety meeting, Mon, 4/3
  - Need to send out communication
- 4/1, official start date to reserve town fields
  - o Joe S will create practice schedule for Old Tavern
- 4/2, Coach pitch clinic at Core
  - Bryan will send out time assignments
- 4/10 Vacation week
- 4/17 Start games
- 4/22 Opening day ceremonies
  - o 10am start, 11:30am ceremonies
  - Amity Baseball will help run stations
  - Need volunteers for raffle tickets, merchandise, snack stand
  - Chips & Dunkin donating food
  - Start games at 1pm

## Field Improvements/Updates from Rich Ricard

- Clean up date April 1, rain date April 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Getting pricing for reshaping of the mounds on Roche & Goldberg

- Looked at OT-1 to possibly add more clay up the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> baselines
- Looking at expenses of new batting cage
- Ivy League ran machine over clay for drainage on Roche & Goldberg
  - Chris Small able to get cost covered through town

Bryan Terlizzi – his company is breaking up old field and will have turf available if OLL has the need for it

## **Umpires**

Good with GNH and working in some kids that may be around

## Scorekeepers

• Pete gave list to Adam to start with

## Gamechanger

- Joe created tutorial on OLL site
- Majors & Easterns Leagues will be created for scorekeeping, stats and standings.
- Have to use email account used for OLL when signing in

## Equipment update from John Wyskiel

- Hats are in
  - o 2 teams are backordered
- Roster coaches
  - Only 3 official coaches per team to vote for postseason team, but more are allowed on field to help

#### T-Ball Opening Day

• Need to figure out date

## Schedule Update by Joe S.

- Schedule will hopefully be posted by first week of April
- Will be playing Derby in Majors & Easterns
- 12 or 13 games will be scheduled for Easterns or Majors
- 12 games for Rookies and below
  - o You need to play 8 games to for districts

Motion to adjourn
Seconded by Eric Melingonis
All in favor

End of meeting: 7:12pm