

# Rutland Baseball & Softball Board Meeting Agenda



- Date: May 17, 2018
- Time: 8:00 p.m.
- Location: Marsh Field
- Attendance: Jonathan Miller, Jeremy Lucas, Eric Charbonneau, Jonathan Place, Bob Renard, Bill Clark, Adam Stockenberg, Brian Ferguson, Rich Mall, Mike Maceiko, Jeremy Bujnowski, Kevin Briggs, Chris Moynihan, Joellen Andrews, Jason Woodsmall
- Unable to Attend: Colin Burton, Steve Scobie and Scott Borges

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## Agenda Items:

1. Last Month's Minutes – Motion to Approve, 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - a. Vote: All Yes
2. President Update
3. **DISCUSSION TOPICS**
  - a. **AAA All Star Determination – JM**
    - i. Discussion to decide whether to submit a 9/10 year old team to either Holden Tournament or Districts.
    - ii. Motion to submit a team to Districts, 2<sup>nd</sup>.
      1. Vote: 7 Yes, 8 Nos.
      2. League will enter Holden Tournament
    - iii. Discussion around Selecting Coaches for All-Stars came up again as a follow up to April's discussion and vote.
      1. Fundamental question around selecting the Best Coach for the team vs. Best Coach with a player in the Top 10, 13 or 18 and what happens if the Best Coach doesn't have a player in the pool?
        - a. Follow-up discussion for Fall 2018 if we want to revisit.
  - b. **4<sup>th</sup> of July – JM**
    - i. Discussion about coverage and which days to run station selling Cotton Candy
      1. Agreed to sell during Lip Sync, Parade and Fireworks
      2. Next Action: Communication and Sign-ups to follow to ensure coverage for members and volunteers who are around during the festivities.
  - c. **Festivities Day – June 23<sup>rd</sup>**
    - i. Discussion about events to hold during this day following games.
    - ii. Movie Night, Moonwalks, etc.
  - d. **Board Meeting Agenda Requests & Time Caps – Jon P.**
    - i. Quick request to ensure all requests are sent in prior to each meeting and people include time needed for discussion to ensure Board meetings are organized and appropriate time is given for all topics.
    - ii. If 1 or 2 topics will require extensive discussion, we want to adjust agenda accordingly.
  - e. **Volunteer Coordinator Proposal – Jon P.**
    - i. Proposed adding a Volunteer Coordinator for 2019 season at the next Annual Board Meeting.
    - ii. Need a strong, organized personality with great communication and connections throughout the town.
    - iii. Research supporting other towns have strong volunteer base and MANDATORY volunteer coverage at concession stands and field support.
    - iv. Possibility to tie into registration and allow parents to check off interest:
      1. Field, Snack Shack, Parade, Festivities, 4<sup>th</sup> of July
      2. Minimum Requirement: 2 hours per parent
  - f. **Responsibilities – Jeremy L.**
    - i. Field Maintenance post-games (Coaches & Players)
    - ii. Great discussion and reminder about all teams responsibilities to be part of cleaning up the fields throughout and after games.
    - iii. Last teams of the night should do a walk-through around the fields to ensure wrappers, bottles and trash are disposed.
    - iv. If you see a kid going above and beyond, give him something from the Snack Shack. Reward great behavior.
  - g. **Parking @ Marsh – Jeremy B.**

- i. Reminder that parking behind the outfield is for authorized personnel only and traffic should be limited once games have started for safety and security.
- ii. Do we need a chain or more cones ?

#### **4. GENERAL UPDATES**

##### **a. Financial Update – Bob**

- i. Working on finalizing expenses for this season and projecting to have next year's budget ready by August.

##### **b. Baseball Update – Jeremy L.**

- i. All Star Update – discussed timing of voting, coaches selection and uniform ordering.
  - 1. All needs to be done before June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ii. Weather/Make-ups
  - 1. Discussed potential of Sunday make-ups to replace practices with games if needed.
- iii. Donating Equipment
  - 1. Reminder for picture day and equipment collection.
- iv. Follow-ups:
  - 1. Change Locks at fields – will finalize after season

##### **c. Sponsorship Update – Adam**

- i. Update on Who has paid? Who still owes?
  - 1. Report on Google Drive with up-to-date balances. Still have some outstanding sponsors.
- ii. Signs ordered for Marsh
  - 1. In progress; still need to update a few

##### **d. Big League – Scott B. (update via email)**

- i. Babe Ruth – 2 Rutland Teams; 1 Quabbin, 1 N. Brookfield/Rutland
  - 1. Playing 4 Holden teams. 16 games, then playoffs
- ii. Sr. Babe Ruth – Ken Dubovick is coaching
  - 1. North Central Mass League – 12 teams, 16 game scheduled

##### **e. Raffle Update – Kevin**

- i. In progress
- ii. Discussed prize and everyone is in favor of doing sweatshirts again, but possibly offering different colors. (i.e. Blue, Gray, Pink) Everyone loves the sweatshirts.

##### **f. Committee Updates**

- i. Snack Shack
  - 1. Good discussion and assessment of 1<sup>st</sup> year under new leadership.
  - 2. Overall, progress has been good and considering weather, profitability is there.
  - 3. New hot dog machine received.
  - 4. Memorial
    - a. Motion to keep Memorial Open, 2nd
      - i. Vote upheld to keep Memorial open for the rest of the season
    - b. Agreed to let this year ride as-is and eat the costs as its currently losing \$\$; however, agreed there is opportunity to improve marketing, communication and how we sell items as location is away from field.
    - c. Opportunity with more Volunteer support to improve for next year.
- ii. Competition – no updates
- iii. Building – no updates. Still have some projects to finalize and committee will meet to discuss update to project plan and lists.
  - 1. Shed and Citgo sign are on the docket.

##### **g. Other**

Upcoming Meetings: All 7:30 p.m. at Library unless noted

June: 1st

July:

August:

September: