

## CAVE SPRING NATIONAL LITTLE LEAGUE MEETING

10/14/18

Called to Order: 7:02 pm

Board Members present: *Andrew Turner, Jeanne Lawrence, Adam Ranzer, Whitney Davis, Michael Ruth, Russell Emory, Paul Meinster, and Jason Corbett*

Guests: *Fred Corbett*

*President Adam Ranzer called the meeting to order. The following items were discussed.*

- 1) Approved Meeting Minutes from September meeting  
*1<sup>st</sup> – Michael Ruth; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Paul Meinster; All members voted in favor*
- 2) Accept resignation of Mark Selvia  
*1<sup>st</sup> – Michael Ruth; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Russell Emory; All members voted in favor*
- 3) District Report – Fred Corbett
  - a. *Virginia Little League Conference will be held in Leesburg, VA on January 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>*
  - b. *Flood Damage*  
*Fred is confirming how to submit damage claims and pursuing funding for disaster aid from Little League Nationals.*
  - c. *Little League State Tournament*  
*Expenses = \$15,246; Revenue = \$16,601 (excludes Concession profits from CSNLL & CSALL). League Presidents will decide how to split revenue.*
- 4) Set Goals
  - a. *Registration Goals (2018 - 275 total, 50 Ins., 215 T-Majors, 10 Juniors)*  
*2019 Goal - registration consistent with 2018*
  - b. *Concessions*  
*Goal for more profitable concessions in 2019*  
*Ideas for profitability:*
    1. *Add Food items to menu*
    2. *Increase prices to even dollar amounts*
    3. *Open concessions for middle school games*
  - c. *Sponsorships*  
*For 2019, add fundraising nights at local restaurants*
  - d. *Improving training of our coaches*  
*Empower coaches with additional tools (coaching guides – t-ball & coach pitch). Paul will put together coaching clinic to be combined with safety meetings.*
  - e. *Improve player evaluations*  
*To reduce tryout wait times, implement a tryout schedule for players to show up at specific times.*
- 5) *Constitution*  
*Agreed to present changes at general meeting*
- 6) *Empty board positions*  
*Requesting those interested to attend next board meeting.*
  1. *Concessions Manager – Russell discussing with Carol Yeager*
  2. *Safety Manager – Adam discussing with Cheri Lankford*
  3. *Umpire in Chief – Russell discussing with Rick Schilling*
- 7) *Divisions and age groups in each division*  
*Create new classifications based on player's age. Potentially add a hybrid league (combines coach pitch and tee) for 2019.*

8) Coach Pitch vs. Machine Pitch

*Board will consider changing to Machine Pitch for Minor B. Paul will provide pitching machine specs to the board.*

*Pros for moving to machine pitch: All pitches will be the same.*

*Cons for moving to machine pitch: Players need to learn the motions of the pitcher.*

9) Interleague with American League

*Board supports interleague play with CSALL. Adam will be in contact with the county to discuss field costs associated with interleague play.*

10) Status of six ineligible players

*Adam and Russell met with county. County will allow ineligible players to continue playing for CSNLL.*

*\*Moving forward, players must meet the following to play for CSNLL:*

- 1. Roanoke County resident*
- 2. Live within CSNLL boundaries*
- 3. Attend a Roanoke County Public School*

11) Field conditions

*Adam discussing CSNLL responsibilities for cleaning up flood damage with county.*

12) CSNLL Logo

*Russell has been in contact with graphic designer. He will forward graphic designers portfolio to board for review. Graphic designer quoted \$75 to create a new CSNLL logo to be used for uniforms, social media, etc.*

13) Concession Stand

- a. Sweeneys are willing to let us use their grill if we will store it in the Concession stand – Whitney confirming if the Sweeneys removed their grill from the concession stand.*
- b. Pepsi took old cooler, was leaking. Need new cooler or need to setup arrangement with Coke or Pepsi vendor – Jeanne contacting Salem Red Sox vendors to see if a vendor would be willing to donate a cooler.*

14) Committees

**Rules Committee**

*Russell volunteered to form a Rules Committee. The committee will consist of one representative from every division with the exception of Majors (Majors will play by the Green Book rules). An email will be sent to all coaches requesting input.*

**Interleague Committee**

*Jeanne and Michael volunteered to be apart of this committee.*

Meeting Adjourned: 9:32 pm

Next Meeting: 11/11/2018

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Whitney Davis (11/5/2018)*