

**Meeting called to order @ 6:05 pm**

**Location:** Pizza Gallery

**Members present:** Cheryl Duarte-Martin, Jonathan Ross, Aran Hissam, Nick Galluzzi, Lorena Brown, Tracy Crockett, Donna Brand

**Members not in attendance:** Dan Jordan, Matt McGee

**President addressed:**

- Provided calendar of events for Spring season.
- Shared the videos each board member created to increase awareness and provide information regarding spring season- thanked Aran Hissam for innovative idea.
- Shared that this year we do not have a fundraising committee. As a result, sponsorship for spring is down.
- Fundraising lists were distributed and calls have started being made. Will look at who was called and then revisit how to best distribute companies and get info to managers as well.
- Discount cards have been approved. Need to determine how many cards to make.
- Softball nets have arrived, and the President also reached out about dirt.
- Fields will be reopened 1/18/2021.
- Spring assessments: managers will sit and watch evaluations while assistant managers will run the drills.
- Charter was approved. VSLL has been with LL International for 25 years. Received award that will be framed and located in the VRP BB Pressbox.
- Update was provided on the need of Concession Managers. Number of days the concession stand will be open will depend on the help.
- President shared that Dan Jordan is stepping down from the board and softball duties for the remainder of the year. Board will elect a new board member. Dan requested the board consider Kevin Smith to take the role of VP of Softball.
- After discussion, a motion was made to make Kevin Smith VP of softball. This motion was made by Dan and 2nd- 7/7 approved.
- Motion was made to appoint Jordan Winsten and Sami Jubran as the scheduler and assistant scheduler for the 2021 season.

**Registration Officer Update:**

- Shared that registration is still open.
- We are only about 30 kids down.

- Discounts will be provided to managers once all the COVID forms have been submitted for the team. Registration Officer will send those credits.

#### Secretary/Uniform Coordinator Update:

- shared that board uniforms were ordered and should be in before opening day.
- Provided update on Spring Uniforms (everything is on track)

#### Additional Topics addressed:

- Discussed current registration numbers per division.
- AA is struggling in numbers.
- Discussed numbers and what divisions will look like for the spring.
- Discussion was made about doing a hybrid kid pitch for softball in the spring. So teams would do kid/coach pitch.
- There is a need for additional minor softball managers.

#### Treasurer review:

- the budget was shared via email with all appointed board members.
- Will have several large charges coming soon.
- Funding is lower at this time with the sponsorship.

#### Calendar for coming dates was shared and discussed.

- 2/1 practices will begin
- 2/26 Opening Ceremony
  
- Challenger division will start late March this season due to COVID so they will not be there for opening day.. As a result Tball under the lights will take place.
- Games will begin 2/27

#### Aaron/Jon had UIC meeting.

- Local UIC training will be provided in early Feb.
- Shared that following Spring Break rules do change and managers need to be made aware of changes.

#### Old Business:

- Suntree batting cages will have new turf before Spring season begins.
- Camera systems are still working.

#### New Business:

- Aged out players are coaches: players/coaches that played their entire LL career (tball-seniors).
- -suggestion made to recognize them

- Managers meeting will be next Sunday- 1/10/2021
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- Shared that MLB is also sponsoring a homerun derby and an idea was brought up to determine if we wanted to join.

Next meeting will be 2/7/2020 (tentative)

Meeting adjourned @7:03pm