

**Meeting Date:** 9/8/2019

**Location:** Pizza Gallery and Grill (private room)

**Elected members present:** Nick Galluzzi, Jimmy King, Dan Jordan, Lorena Brown, Donna Brand, Aran Hissam, Tracy Crockett, Liz Head, Danielle Harper

Appointed board members present: Alan Olearchick, Brian Iten, Eric Power, Gary Stacharczyk, Jeff Kapatoes, John Potts, Jonathan Ross, Jordan Winsten, Karrah Hudkins, Kevin Cincimino, Laene Keith, Lori Vogel, Mark Huffman, Matt McGee, Ryan Sofranko, Scott Dangler, Stacie Ravenscroft, Steve Brand, Tracy Crockett, Rob Motty

**Meeting began at 6:04pm**

**President:**

- Provided Introduction to attendees, spoke about experiences with the league
- Described difference between elected and appointed members
- Introduced board members both elected and appointed.
- Addressed treasurer position: Current treasurer has decided to step down to allow Rob Motty to continue working as league treasurer.
  - Discussed adding the voting to new business (tabled for end of meeting)
    - While introductions were provided there was added information on the different positions.
    - More details would be provided further in the agenda.
    - Laene Keith was introduced as fundraiser coordinator (will be voted in as new business)
- President also address expectations of positions.
  - Requested that as volunteers we continue to do our part and take designated positions seriously
- Vision: Addressed the plan for the league this year
  - Mentioned the vision is available on the website
  - Discussed growing the league from the bottom (work on lower divisions) as well as softball

-Addressed the need of committees: existing committees: finance, all-star, membership

- Discussed the addition of 3 more committees during new business.

-Discussed groupme lists for board members and VPs. Wants to ensure that communication is clear for all parties in the league

- Chain of command was addressed: stressed using the chain to pass information and share ideas (this was discussed by VP as well as President)

- Safety manager was introduced, safety manual provided in the website, updated version is in the works and will be provided once complete.

- It was shared that we can receive free lighting if we have a stellar safety plan.
- AED provided on the field Viera- only at this time not in Suntree
- Ice packs also available
- A complete review of what we have and need will be provided by Safety Manager and Field Manager in the coming week and will be shared with board

- Background checks- Gary will be taking over checks, everyone on board is clear
  - o November everyone has to be redone, all virtual
  - o Online recertification is shorter
  - o VP's and managers must make sure everyone is background checked
  - o Will do spot checks

- Fingerprinting: good for 5 years, if no fingerprinting AUE staffing may come to us if we have enough need

Fall ball addressed:

- o Noncompetitive
- o Let them have fun and experience the game
- o More laid back
- o Lower numbers

- VP: spoke

- Agreed with presidents' vision
- Shared his visions and goals
- Addressed transparency
- Touched on softball and his role as VP of softball operations
  - o Touched on goals for softball as well

Secretary spoke:

- Addressed contacts, sign in and RSVP, minutes, consideration of added position: parliamentarian, board shirts (will send google form)

-Treasurer-

- o addressed current monetary balance

- VP of baseball-

\* addressed baseball chain of command, starts with coaches and then moves to VP, then goes to League VP

- Coaching coordinator: position explained and provided a brief overview of what to expect with that role

- Player Agent:

- Shared position role
- Fall ball, draft scheduled for tomorrow evening for majors and juniors' divisions.
- AAA and below, VPs are handling rosters (asked to keep it fair across the board)
- Managers are all set for juniors, majors, AAA, AA (working hard still need at least 1 more manager), A (hoping to add some more kiddo's and 1 more manager), T-Ball looking for 1 more manager
- Softball: 2 majors covered, minors kid pitch covered, minors coach pitch w/manager

Registration:

- At this time there are 13 less enrolled than last year
- Discussed available yard signs to distribute to help get the word out

Schedule-

-schedule was sent out, not to be shared with everyone only stay with VPs

- o Practices starting 9/16
  - o If no practice please notify J. Winsten so lights can be shut off
  - o Lights only controlled by League Scheduler and President
    - Last minutes lights can be a challenge
    - VSLI can control to shut off but not turn on
    - Board member on duty
- list will be sent out to volunteer

\*questions were asked about requests for schedules and when they are sent in

\* JW requested that they are sent to him as they come in, do not have to be all at once.

- Team Mom

\*team mom information will be discussed during manager meeting

\*chain of command for requesting volunteers

\*concession training will be required: headsup.gov (VPs, managers, team mom recommended)

\* Requesting certification must be sent to VPs via email

\* there will be a list of safety requirements that will be checked and confirmed before the beginning of fall ball

Uniforms:

- discussed current bids (Bartman and All Apparel)
- discussed issues with college teams
- provided option of team colors instead
- addressed deadline to make decision for this coming Thursday.
- Tabled voting on next steps for end of meeting (new business)

Communications:

- new website information and addition of new information on the league
- Consideration of scheduling added to the site (TBD)
- DH requested any additional information that should be added
- Scholarship athletes (discussed, no repayment)
  - Defined scholarship athlete as: A child on public assistance (not able to pay fee)
  - Request of repaying thru volunteer hours as an option
  - Volunteer opt out
  - No motion to vote on this was made

-Membership

- Membership cards
- Sponsor to cover purchasing
- Requested addition of \$5 to be added in registration
- No motion to vote on this was made

2019 All Star Reimbursement: Addressed the expenses in the World Series

- In past raised \$ and put aside for all-star for kids
- President spoke in regards to the way it was handled in the past
- Agreed a better plan is needed
- No motion to vote on this was made at this time

**General Board meeting adjourned at 7:31pm**

## **Elected Board Meeting:**

**Elected members present:** Nick Galluzzi, Jimmy King, Dan Jordan, Lorena Brown, Donna Brand, Aran Hissam, Tracy Crockett, Liz Head, Danielle Harper

Meeting Began at 7:41pm

- Old business- no old business at this time. We are starting fresh.
- Addressed items approved last year that were not done- need for that not to happen again and providing a checks and balance to ensure that
- Liz motioned to elect Rob Motty as newly appointed treasurer w/ Aran stepping down from that position- (unanimous vote)
- Discussed a more formal budget in place
  - Having money set aside for different items on the board
  - Discussed moneys added to allocated positions and then only used for those areas
- Finance committee discussed
- Discussed addition of purchasing committee will be added to constitution
  - Addressed the position of purchasing agent
  - Requested added to constitution
  - Discussed the purchasing points- why use a committee: to ensure there is a transparency

Motion made by Lorena to add purchasing committee, membership committee, fundraising committee- unanimous vote

Motion made by Donna Brand to appoint Laene Keith as Fundraising Coordinator – unanimous vote

It was then discussed that a Fundraising committee would be used to help support Laene with fundraising this year.

Dan motioned to appoint Dave and Liz Head, Sherri Glendinning, Laura Wisoker as part of the fundraising committee: voted by board -7 of 9 voted yes

Parliamentarian position was discussed as an added appointed position for the league.

--Liz motioned to have that position added. All in favor- unanimous

Aran made a motion to discuss opening registration November 1<sup>st</sup> and discussed pricing- currently one of the highest in the area, instead of raising prices for registration it was considered to raise the opt-out fee

It was discussed that some parents paying for this opt-out have been upset that those that are having to volunteer were sent away due to student volunteers needing hours as a concern.

-it was discussed that students will continue to have the option to volunteer and that is something that may in fact occur

-the idea was presented to consider the addition of all volunteer options rather than just concession be added. No motion to vote on this was provided

Liz motioned to raise the price for opt out fee to \$100. It was passed with an 8 to 9 vote

Dan motioned for Nov 1st to open spring ball. It was voted -unanimous

Uniforms were discussed and two bids introduced. The idea of using colors instead of college was discussed and it was also presented that we use the league name instead of team jerseys to help share the brand instead.

A breakdown of this will be requested from Bartman and sent to the board for approval.

Dan made a motion to approve the use of Bartman Enterprises for Fall Ball uniforms. It was voted -unanimous

Items Tabled for next meeting: volunteer hours in lieu of scholarship

Liz shared that another celebration for All Stars will be held on 9/30. More information to come.

Upcoming Meeting dates: 10/6 @ 6pm 11/3 @ 6pm, location to be determined

Motion to adjourn: Made by Donna

Meeting adjourned 8:36pm