

April 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Members								
Dave	Morissette	X	Matt	Smith		Paul	Imbimbo	X
Troy	Gilbert	X	Chris	Crawford	X	Rick	LaFleur	X
Lee	Rollick	X	Lorraine	Crist	X	Doug	Lenihan	x
Ed	Gullison	X	Brett	Elmore	X	Bob	Stephens	X
Brian	Hoyt	X	Todd	Gibbons	x	Bryan	Wall	X
Guests:	3		Jay Swett	ElderStatesman	x	Bruce	Fielding	
						Don	Perreault	

- Motion to approve March minutes by Troy, 2nd by Brett. All in favor with no abstentions.
- Schedule Update – Bob: Finalized & ready to post. Lee asked to have opening day schedule sent to be included in Opening Day program.
- Field report – Matt not present, Jay presented in his absence
 - Field Days/current conditions/repairs – Currier/Walsh are very wet. Plowed snowbank are melting back into the field. All fields too we to have field day this weekend. Todd suggested having families come to fields and just rake. Agreed to have open ceremonies followed by field day on Sat the games on Sunday afternoon. Jay asked Todd what they have done professionally at East Kingston. Todd reviewed. Motion by Troy to spend \$4500 to have Currier, Newfields & Brentwood professionally set up. Agreed to spend smaller about on Walsh as we may not have it after this year. 2nd by Ed. Majority vote in favor, 1 abstention. Jay review opportunity to use half the building at Newfields as storage. Given a quote of \$1,500 to create wall for division, most felt that cost was high. Tabled until next meeting.
- Treasurer's report presented by Ed. Discussed implementing a staggered fee for registration refunds issued to cover bank fees & uniform costs that incur. To be voted upon at May's meeting.
- Assistant Coaches presented for review/approval: Chappy Cox, Timothy Johnson, Leo Godin and William Rousseau, Kevin Keaveny, Tim Kerber, Chris Hutchins, Shawn Gilmartin, Mark Babine, George Young, Jim Roche, Wayne Young, Rob Tuttle and Marc Dettore, Dennis Boyle, Rich Doherty, Tony LeClerc, Rick Davis and Derek Wyskiel, Rick LaFleur, Tim Bond, Dave Allard, Tim Ferris, Bill Pease, Paul Young, Mike Wissler, Mike Dumaresq, Eric Reed, Lonnie Crampsey and Keith Ludwig, Chris Beebe, Jesse Smith, Glenn Patten, Bill Shupe, Dave Smith, Greg Maxwell, Steve Floyd, John Foley, Matt Smith, Roland Guilmette, Jacob Verge, Marty Poulin, George Cross, Rick Davis, Eric Farrar, Phil Putney, Scott Senter, Paul Imbimbo, Jeff Beal, Brad Poole, John Comeau, David Morissette. Motion to approve all by Lee, 2nd by Ed.
- Fundraising update – Chris: 12 team to sell this up-coming weekend
- Sponsors update – Brett: ~50 sponsors, most have paid.
- Items presented for possible Draft revisions
 - If a coach has two (or more I suppose) children in his draft (twins or otherwise) where do we put them on the draft board? With one child they becomes the last round pick, we need to decide where the other child goes and make it a rule.
 - Discussed having coaches child placed in the round according to their ranking from evaluation. Brian H suggested banding in all leagues. Another suggestion was to have league coordinator review sheets to make sure kids are in the right rounds. Ideas to think about and discuss further after the season.
 - In a situation where we have co-coaches where do we put their children on the draft board? Do they go to the final two rounds of the draft or does one go to the final round and one go to another, higher round? We need to decide where the other child goes and make it a rule. For coaches who do not have children playing in the league, it was suggested to me yesterday that we take the average scores of the other coaches children and then choose a player from the list

with that score and assign that player to the child-less coach in the final round of the draft. Just putting it out there for discussion.

- We need to talk about setting stricter standards for parents in asking that certain coaches not be able to select their children. Not looking to make it more difficult, there just needs to be real reasons behind the requests and we can put this down in black and white as well.
 - Too many people did this this year. Some coaches didn't even know the player.
Discussed having the league coordinator be the person that is told and requiring valid reasons for making this request.
- Opening Day
 - Meritorious Service Awards – all will be present.
 - Publicity – Bryan to reach out to Ryan at Exeter Newsletter.
 - Need setup help – need everyone there at 7:30am
 - Equipment swap – bins needed
 - Photographer?
 - Program – Lee; printing same quantity as last year
 - Honor last year's state champs, sportsmanship award winners
 - Other stuff? Lee to get: PA, banners; first pitch/catch – using sportsman ship award winners; play ball – picking a rookie and young softball player.
- Umpires update – Brian: just waiting for schedule to send to Steve.
- Rookie update – Rick: field is still covered with snow
- Trash and toilets – Troy: need to call Dick Wendell to see if they want us to use their dumpster or get our own.
- New business:
 - Brett - Las Olas would like used equipment to donate to kids in need. Agreed that we'd have the equipment swap at opening day again and all remaining would be brought to Las Olas.
 - Bryan - Safety: getting bigger, heavy-duty first aid kits for each field.
- Motion to adjourn by Troy, 2nd by Lee. Meeting adjourned 8:55pm.
- Next meeting, May 1, 7-9

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Rollick

EJBL Secretary