

Exeter Junior Baseball & Softball League Board of Directors Meeting Minutes February 5, 2015

## 2014-2015 Board Members Attendance:

Dave Morissette	X	Doug Lenihan	X	Paul Imbimbo
Troy Gilbert	X	Lorraine Crist	X	Matt Smith
Stephanie Brackett	X	Mike LaNigra	X	Don Perreault
Tim Bond	X	Rick Lafleur	X	Bryan Wall
Shawn Roussin	X	Eric Roffman	X	
Todd Gibbons		Bruce Fielding	X	

Guests: Brian Hoyt

- Meeting convened at 7:05pm.
- Motion to approve January minutes made by Stephanie, Bruce 2<sup>nd.</sup> Minutes approved with no abstentions.
- Treasurer's Report: Tim has adjusted the operating budget, see report. Record of last month's transactions provided and filed.
- Registration Update: Lorraine stated that registration submissions are on schedule, numbers currently even with last years. Approximately \$11,000 in fees from Rookie-Majors and approximately \$3,900 from Babe Ruth. In person registration set for February 28<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm at Lincoln St. School. Lorraine, Stephanie and Troy to attend. Registration closes on February 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Dick's sponsorship/donation: Shawn has corresponded with Jeff at Dick's Sporting Goods. He offered approximately \$1200 in donations. Included in that amount was \$950 in gift cards. Shawn has suggested using some of that to purchase the masks for the softball teams, approx. 10-12 masks at \$40 each. He was able to get 4 equipment bags, 5 cases of 11" soft pitch softballs, and the rest was in coupons. Dick's Days scheduled for March 21st from 11-3pm at the Seabrook location.
- Equipment Update: Shawn will be placing order for balls. Staying with AD Star as they were found to have the most competitive prices. Reviewed the final count of cases needed with Bruce and Rick.
- Storage Unit Organization: Shawn would like to purchase shelving units to organize the gear kept in storage and get it off the floor. He presented storage units made by ULINE. Each unit would cost \$181/unit and he stated we would need 3 units. Stephanie asked if it would be more cost effective to make the shelving units from 2x4's and plywood, having Joe Brackett assemble and install them free of charge. Stephanie took the measurements home and will have an estimate by next meeting. The board will then put to a vote.
- Shawn has asked that the league remove the Infield Fly Rule from "A" league only. It was discussed and thought that it would be beneficial to drop the rule for this age group only, giving players the opportunity to make it on base. Mike motioned to approve the removal of the Infield Fly Rule for A league only, Shawn 2<sup>nd</sup>. All members present in favor. Motion approved.
- Board decided not to change the Uniform shirts this season. The increased cost is not supported by the operating budget. Discussion ensued regarding shopping around for a better price or discussing price adjustment with Floyd at Daigneault's Sports.

- Fundraising: Mike has printed sponsorship letters and will be trying to hand deliver as many as possible before mailing the rest, board members having relationships with potential sponsors to assist with hand delivery. This years Red Sox ticket raffle will offer 2 prizes in addition to the Grand Prize (Red Sox tickets), ideas included an IPad Mini and Fisher Cats tickets. Offering additional prizes will hopefully increase interest in the raffle and therefore increase ticket sales. Mike will be filing solicitation permits for retailers requiring a permit to sell tickets at their location.
- Discussed nominees for the Meritorious Service Award.
- Umpire Clinic has strong interest. Dates set for March 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup> from 9-12.
- Need to book the EHS Café for the Draft, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm and the Coaches meeting, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 9am-12pm.

## **UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:**

In person registration- February 18<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm @ LSS Registration Closes- February 28<sup>th</sup> Evaluations- March 7<sup>th</sup> @ PEA Cage, (times TBA) Draft- March 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm @ EHS Café Coaches Clinic- March 18<sup>th</sup> 6pm @ EHS Coaches Meeting- March 21<sup>st</sup> 9am-12pm @ EHS Café Picture Day- April 1<sup>st</sup> 6-8pm @ LSS Opening Day- April 11<sup>th</sup>

- Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.
- Motion to adjourn made by Rick, Lorraine 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted, Stephanie Brackett EJBSL Board Secretary

## ADDENDUM:

Due to repairs on the roof at the PEA cage, evaluations have been pushed back a week to March  $14^{\rm th}$ . Times to be determined, please continue to check the website for further details. This of course changes the date of the draft as well.