

## January 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Members								
Dave	Morissette	X	Matt	Smith		Paul	Imbimbo	
Troy	Gilbert	X	Chris	Crawford	X	Rick	LeFleur	
Lee	Rollick	X	Lorraine	Crist		Doug	Lenihan	
Ed	Gullison	X	Brett	Elmore	x	Bob	Stephens	X
Brian	Hoyt	X	Todd	Gibbons		Bryan	Wall	
Guests: 2	Jay Swett					Bruce	Fielding	X
	Chris Beebe							

- Motion to approve December minutes by Troy, Brett 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved with no abstentions.
- Treasurer's report submitted by Ed.
- Until Field Update/Signage - Ed/Chris: Foul line posts have been dug. About \$3k left in expenses. Discussed 2 sign options: 1 permanent granite sign to be provided at cost by Brett at approx. \$2k; alternate temporary sign crated be Ed for approx. \$400. Agreed that it would be better to spend ore upfront for a permanent sign than spend \$400 for a sign to last only a couple years. Brian motioned to allow Brett to spend up to \$2k on granite sign, Troy 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed by majority vote. Design needs to be approved by Unutil.
- Registration update – Lorraine, not present. Troy gave report: In-person registration set for 2/12 at Lincoln Street School. Lee will help. Lorraine questioned if Babe Ruth fees would be increasing, no, only all-star fees will increase.
- Tentative Calendar for the year:
  - In-person registration Wednesday February 12
  - Registration ends Saturday February 22
  - Evaluations Saturday March 8
  - League Draft Friday March 14
  - Coaches Meeting Saturday March 22
  - Picture Day Wednesday April 2
  - Opening Day Saturday April 12
  - Championship Day Saturday June 14
- Fundraising Update – Chris:
  - Red Sox raffle sell spots are being secured. 2<sup>nd</sup> prize = 4 Fishercats tickets & playtime on the field.
  - Babe Ruth fundraiser: players are required to sell Fishercats tickets then the championship game would be held at Gill Stadium. Discussed how hard it is to sell those tickets and that if tix aren't sold then we have to purchase them. Overall agreement was that it wasn't the right fit for our program.
  - Verizon Employee program – Chris secured 4 fellow employees to work raffle sell spot. Verizon will match all monies collected those days.
- Sponsors update - Brett: will start contacting renewals this month.
- Any open issues:
  - Dick Wendell contacted Troy & Dave to inform the league that the school might be taking Walsh Field this spring to build a parking lot. Architects are providing various plans which may take part of the field. Discussed alternate field options for a 70' field – Foss Wasson; Kensington; extend Currier (D. Wendell approves but we'd have to get school board approval); Brentwood. Discussed attending the next school board meeting to voice our concern of the lack of notice & ask to have a year to plan ahead. Dave to contact Pat O'Day to see if that might help or hurt us. UPDATE: Dave spoke with Mr. O' Day who said that we should plan to have the field this season but should start planning for the change for next year.

- Rule changes: Bob has some changes that he will email out for review before the next meeting. To be discussed at the next meeting and voted on before season starts.
- Umpires – Brian wants to put together a clinic to get local kids involved in umpiring. Plan is to have them base coach Single A games to learn. Greg Maxwell will help run. Anyone interested should contact Brian Hoyt.
- League Coordinators:
  - Majors – Doug Lenihan
  - AAA – Keith Palmer
  - AA – Jay Swett
  - A – Paul Imbimbo
  - Rookie – Rick LeFleur
- Start thinking about nominations for Meritorious Service Award recipients.
- Next meeting WEDNESDAY February 5, 7-9pm
- Motion to adjourn by Brett, 2nds by Ed. Meeting adjourned 8:20 pm.