

Exeter Junior Baseball & Softball League Board of Directors Meeting Minutes January 7, 2015

2014-2015 Board Members Attendance:

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

Guests: Brian Hoyt

- Meeting convened at 7:06pm.
- Motion to approve December minutes made by Troy, Paul 2^{nd.} Minutes approved with no abstentions.
- Treasurer's Report:
 - ✓ The leagues bank accounts are now with Provident Bank.
 - ✓ PayPal is set up for registration funds. Tim and Troy discussed a delay in transfer of funds between PayPal and Provident Bank.
 - ✓ QuickBooks is set up and linked with Provident Bank.
 - ✓ The league is now compliant with the Department of Justice as a Charitable Trust organization. We are awaiting confirmation with PayPal to resume getting non-profit fee for transactions.
 - ✓ Reviewed the month's expense report-filed.
 - ✓ Tim presented the budget for FY 2015-filed.
 - ✓ Discussion ensued regarding a submission of \$31, 161 in income for FY 2014 under Tournament income. After discussion it was felt that the total was not made of only tournament income but that other deposits had gotten lumped in the same category. With Tim's new use of QuickBooks, transactions are now going to be properly identified and accounted for.
 - ✓ 5 year State registration for the league is due. Tim will complete taxes for 2014 and file the annual report first and then attend to that. When filing the renewal we will add "softball" to the leagues name, making it EIBSL.
- Registration Update: Lorraine was unable to attend. See email update below.

Flyers were printed for Softball and Baseball and dropped at the Elementary Schools on Tuesday 1/6 - reflecting the new fee of \$135.00 for 9-12 year olds. Keeping the cost for Softball and Rookie the same.

All schools plan to hand out on Friday - except CMS and Kensington Elementary where they keep a few copies in the office, and post on their website. This is not specific to EJBSL; they don't distribute flyers at all, in an effort to be green.

Press release was sent to Jay at the Exeter Newsletter regarding EJBSL registration being open. It is supposed to run every Friday and any other day that Jay can fit it in for us.

I have been given verbal confirmation that we are all set for In-person registration on February 11th at Lincoln Street School Cafeteria from 6-8 pm.

As of today at noon we have the following for registrations: 6 registrations for 9-12 baseball, 1 registration for softball

We will have more to report as far as numbers by the February meeting. Still - many of our players don't register until the final two weeks.

Closing date for Registration is Saturday - February 28th

We will set evaluation times after registration closes. We try to have similar # of kids at each evaluation session. It is broken down alphabetically and by age and posted on web by March 1st.

- Fundraising Update: Mike not present
- Sponsors Update: Mike not present
- Softball Update:
 - ✓ Don has been working with Stratham to join the softball league and they have decided to join. Stratham joining the softball league will allow for more games and diversified competition, in addition to integrating kids within SAU 16.
 - ✓ Don discussed holding Championship Softball Day at Stratham. The softball league will continue to work on new age brackets due to the increase in numbers and adjust the rules based on new age breakdowns.
 - ✓ Discussed adding Stratham to our charter for softball only. Questions arose regarding insurance. If Stratham joined our charter they may need to hold their own insurance or follow EJBSL rules and regulations to become insured under the league. This will need to be investigated and talked about further.
 - ✓ The last hour of EJBSL's allotted tryout time at the PEA cage will be reserved for softball tryouts from 3-4pm.
- Unitil Field Update: Nothing new since last meeting, will visit again in February.
- Open Items:
 - ✓ Troy will be changing our insurance to a \$1M liability policy as decided at last meeting.
 - ✓ Todd (via Dave) would like to see if the league could purchase higher quality jerseys, similar to our All-Star jerseys. The cost would increase by \$10-12 per jersey, an approximated \$3,840 increase based on 32 teams of 12 players each. A decision will need to be made by March. Will discuss further at next meeting and put to a vote.
 - ✓ Shawn- needs to order baseballs ASAP for the season. Numbers highlighted in last months minutes. Don asked for 10 dozen, 12" fast pitch softballs and 12 dozen, 11" fast pitch softballs. He would like to get the balls from Dick's Sporting Goods. Also requested face shields. Possibility of donation from Dick's. The league will participate in Dick's Days again this season, more information to follow.
 - ✓ Bryan- Coach's clinic. It will happen but he is working on securing a date, possibly the Wednesday after the draft. More to follow.
 - ✓ Dave- no news yet on the status of Walsh Field. The league will proceed as if we will have it for the 2015 season until we hear otherwise.
 - ✓ Brian Hoyt- Umpire's clinic, Day 1 scheduled for March 14th, Day 2 if needed March 28th, held at the Brentwood Rec Center.
 - ✓ Bruce- Babe Ruth does not do evaluations. April 3rd they will hold a "workout weekend" for registered players. Bruce would like coaches to evaluate their 12 year olds (moving to Babe Ruth the following season) and fill out surveys to pass on to Babe Ruth coaches. This will provide valuable information to assist in the selection process.
- Next Meeting, Thursday February 5th at pm.
- Motion to adjourn made by Dave, Rick 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 8:21pm.