

June 2012 Board Meeting Agenda

Attendees								
Troy	Gilbert	x	Lee Ann	Cammett	x	Brian	Hoyt	x
Jeff	Jackson	x	Lorraine	Crist	x	Doug	Linnehan	x
Lee	Rollick	x	Tom	Daly	x	Keith	Palmer	x
Ed	Gullison		Brett	Elmore	x	Andy	Singh	x
Jay	Swett	x	Todd	Gibbons	x	Bob	Stephens	x
Guests:	Dave Pendell Todd Kingsbury Dan Sarmiento Eric Farrar Brett Cotoia							

- Motion to approve May minutes 1st:Brett 2nd: Brian. All in favor with no abstentions.
- Treasurer's report – Ed not present; Jeff provided report: numbers are solid for end of the season, raffle and snack shack deposits made. Umpire payments occur once weekly.
- EJBL parent with concerns about Post-Season team selection: A parent spoke his concerns that his son's coach did not provide adequate coaching given his other coaching commitments; another parent from the same team disputed the accusation and defended the coach with examples; Troy interjected to request that the discussion stay on the topic which he wanted to discuss: the all-star selection process. Tom asked if the parent was aware of how the players are selected. Since he was not 100% clear Troy explained the entire process with Andy providing corroboration and situational examples to justify choices made. Same parent questioned why the teams are the same year after year and wondered if there are ever any changes? Response: yes, some players performances fluctuate and players do change, but for the most part the top players remain on the team as they usually continue to perform at a high level. Andy conveyed the various ways we've added teams to keep players playing longer: 60' team for both 11 and 12-year olds and the 9/10 Tournament team. Keith voiced expressed the difficulty they have when it comes to selecting the last few players as sometimes they are performing at the same level. Another parent present spoke to some research he'd done on other teams' selection processes: secret ballot, mid-season tryout. Troy noted that other processes have been tried in the past and that the process currently used produces the most competitive teams. The overall agreement voiced by various board members was that selection process in place is not 100% perfect, but the results prove that we are creating very competitive teams. Troy asked concerned parent if he was clear on the system in place and if he was satisfied with the answers he'd been provided with. Parent responded that he was. Brian motioned to create a subcommittee to re-evaluate all-star selection process. Agreed.
- Post-Season Tournaments – Andy: Unknown when Cal Ripken meeting for district/state tournaments are – Troy to find out.
 - Teams are signed up for: 12-60' to Oyster River Tourn.; 11-70' & 9's for Kitterage Tournament at Roger Allen 6/21-24; 11-60' Londonderry Tournament; 9/10 Tournament Team to Newmarket; no warm –up tournaments for 10's or 12-70's
 - AS payments: coaches need to email players requesting \$50 fee.
 - AS needs - schedules, binders, ID cards, certification, AS meeting, etc.; 12-70' binder needs to be recreated; NOTE for future binders – names on roster and IDs must be exactly the same.
- 10yo States – Paul Imbimbo: Snack shack is set there. Paul spoke with town official re:staying past 10pm is necessary, approval given. Paul listed various items needed: **balls** – Andy reviewed amount required per team for both practices and game; very specific balls required; **umpires** – needs contact to schedule – Brian Hoyt will coordinate umpires; **P.A. system** – discussed need to buy our own PA system, motion made by Keith to purchase PA system, 2nd by Lee, all in favor with no abstentions; **additional batting cage**

- Andy motioned to purchase portable batting cage to use for tournament then placed at Currier/Walsh for next season, Todd 2nd – motion passes with majority rule, 1 against. **Apparel** – Bob suggested securing a custom t-shirt vendor at the game rather than purchasing a large amount of apparel and it not selling. Agreed this was a better option. **Alternate field** - if we have rain and have to move into playing games on Friday Kensington fields are not available due to town celebration. Various options discussed.
- Field report – Jay: more game-saver is needed – currently on back order. If unable to receive game-saver we may have to order more infield mix. Re: new storage facility - Jay revealed that Dick Wendell is more on board with the project than he thought. Jay asked that more board members appear at the next meeting. Jay to relay date/time/location of next meeting. Todd suggested we purchase new spreader and dragger for Currier/Walsh fields.
- Fundraising update – Lee: all sale dates complete, individual sales coming in strong. Currently at \$17,000+ with many more teams still due to turn in money/tickets.
- Umpires update – Brian: some complaints received – Brian will forward to Steve. Tom pointed out that 1 particular umpire acted erratically at a recent game. Tom will look up who it was and forward name to Brian.
- Rookie update – Doug: Rookie Day - 6/16, Currier Field: Doug to get request coaches to offer parent volunteers for set-up, cooking & clean-up.
- A-league Recognition Game
 - Saturday June 23, 10am at Currier: coaches – Rich Doherty & Brian Wall
- Sportsmanship awards, tourney trophies – Keith: ordered and will be delivered 6/16
- Rules discussion – discussion moved to next meeting due to time constraints
 - Extra innings if score is tied
 - Slashing
- Equipment update - Lee-Ann
 - Equipment return: Lee-Ann to email coaches to see if some can return at closing ceremonies.
- Coach Feedback Survey: going out this weekend (6/9)
- Closing ceremonies
 - Need a PA system: purchasing one
 - Scholarship winner: still finalizing recipient
- Summer ball - Brett has the name of 1 volunteer – need at least 2-3 more.
- New board members, positions...start thinking now/suggesting names
- Motion to adjourn by Lee, 2nd by Bob.
- Next meeting, July 12, 7-9pm

Action items:

- Jay to relay date/time/location of next school board meeting when they are scheduled to discuss our proposed new storage facility.
- Tom will look up the name of the erratic umpire and forward to Brian.
- Doug to get request coaches to offer parent volunteers for set-up, cooking & clean-up at Rookie Day.