

Bell Baseball Booster Club Meeting - 10.25.16

Starting time: <u>6:30 P.M.</u> Ending time: <u>7:14 P.M.</u> Total minutes: <u>44 minutes</u>

Total in attendance: 18, plus Coach Gibson and Coach Carter

*Dean Sifuentes thanked all that helped with the Homecoming parade

- Atchley's for hosting
- Ray Empkey for picking up and returning hay bales
- Everyone did a great job- there was a good turnout of boys and families who helped out for this event.

Treasury Update

Paula Empkey reported that our current balance is \$6,164.73

6-Stones Thanksgiving Baskets Event 11.21.16 (Monday)

- We will be putting together 24 Thanksgiving meals, including Turkeys for families in need.
- Toni Kerns has the meals and driver volunteers set up on Sign-up Genius. It has been e-mailed out to all current baseball families, giving the opportunity to help out with this annual event. Any families needing to update their e-mails need to let Dean Sifuentes know so that he can get Toni this information.
- A list of food that should be purchased for each Thanksgiving meal is located on the LD Bell Baseball website.
- Coach Gibson will provide a phone list of contacts for the families, so that we can contact each family to let them know a day or 2 before we deliver the meals to their house.
 Volunteers will be needed to make the phone calls.
- The baseball boys and 4-volunteer parent drivers will deliver the meals to families on **Monday**, **November 21**. All families donating

the meals need to have the items at the school by **5:30**. The boys and drivers will meet in the parking lot at **Bell HS** at this time to put together the boxes and deliver them to families. **Melissa Rose** has collected boxes for the meals.

 A photo will be taken that night of the boys and coaches to be placed on the website.

Craft Fair Update 12.3.16 (Saturday)

- Jill Plunkett and Vanessa Ornelas have been planning and putting together information for the LD Bell baseball booth for the Craft fair to be held on Saturday, December 3.
- A variety of clothing items have been ordered for purchase at the craft fair. (hoodie, jacket, leggings, sweat shirt, headband, hats, and left over ornaments from last year.)
- There will be a sign-up for volunteers to work the craft fair as we get closer to this event.
- 10-15 baseball boys will also be needed that day to either help set-up at 5:30 A.M. that morning, or take down at around 5:30 P.M.

"Chalk Talk" with Coach Gibson

- Coach Gibson mentioned that the baseball field will be re-seeded during the month of November, and no one should be on the field at all during this time. If anybody sees anyone on the field during this time, please ask them to get off of it, or report it immediately to him.
- During the next month, or so, Coach Gibson emphasized that Pitchers need to take a break. They need to rest their arms in preparation for the season.
- The budget for the school baseball fund went from \$2600 to \$2900. Various equipment has been purchased with this, including baseballs, helmets, catching gear, some field equipment, pants,

bases with the LD Bell monogram on them, etc. We will not be getting new uniforms until next year. Coach Gibson also mentioned that they have also been discussing and trying to price a new outfield fence, however fences are very pricey.

- The Spring Schedule is set. The Round Rock Varsity tournament will be booked in the month of November.
- There will be baseball games on Easter weekend, with Varsity playing on Thursday night, and JV playing on Good Friday.
- Coach Gibson also explained the new pitch count rule for the upcoming season. There will be a 110 maximum pitch count in one game for pitchers. A 3rd party person, such as an administrator, not a coach, will be helping to monitor this new rule.

Next Month Agenda items

- Preparation for 6-Stones Thanksgiving Basket Event on 11/21/16
- LD Bell Craft Fair
- Night of Wonder Christmas event

**** Our next booster club meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday**, 11/15/16 at 6:30 P.M.