



NOVEMBER meeting minutes  
11/21/2016

Meeting called to order at 7:07pm

**Attendance:** Robert Viera, Frank Malatesta, Kara Pastis, Andy Nichol, Minna Lombardo, Dan McGaw, Carrie Powers, Sara Sciortino, James Savino, Charles Rutterbush, Justin Hopper, Dan Baker, Frank Kempinger, Angelina Downing

Previous Board Meeting minutes approved

**Opening Statement by Robert:**

We need to be available for the developmental player. We shouldn't have anything in place that takes away from baseball development and kids having fun.

**Fall Review** - great season, softball introduced and had a good run, competitive across the board (mostly), smooth season, umpires requested in rookies (costly, consider apprenticeship for older players - volunteer first, then minimum pay, we may need to simplify rules for youth umpires, other options is to invest in training coaches so they know rules), we will solidify what we are doing at December meeting, recommendation to split tball into two division (entry level vs seasoned player), evals discussion needs to happen in December regarding kids who shouldn't move up, need to add to online registration "have you ever played baseball before?"

**League Financials** (Sara Sciortino) - current budget appears inaccurate, working on a reimbursement form, Sara will be simplifying budget so it is comprehensive, Crosby: will keep \$100 in small bills for Crosby accessible for running concessions, Johnny Valera interested in taking over managing Crosby concessions (similar to Frank and Trotters), \$2-3,000 outstanding payables, cash balance approximately \$9,000. OBR made about \$1500 with Nations tournament (field rental and concessions) this past weekend.

**Marketing and Public Relations** (James Savino) - lots of sign-ups with Halloween promo, Terrifying Turbo happened, art work and specs are saved and that will save time, league email will go out to former players (fall 2016/spring 2016) encouraging registrations (with a league discount), Cyber Monday sale for spring registration, banner over Edgewater is secured for Jan 2 - 16, need to add softball to spring registration information, dates for clinic/open house will be reviewed and determined by December meeting, Orlando Penny Saver needs to be contacted asap

**Registration Updates** (Gilda not present) - need to address late player process, we do have an order, but we need to have a limit if teams are too high and go through the proper process to figure out team placement, Gilda needs full access to registration system

**Events Committee Update** (Krista not present) - parent/player game was a hit, in spring we will do homerun derby and another parent/player game, also another player mash-up game

**Bylaw Revision Discussion** - revisions made by Andy discussed, talking points:  
1.6 - need to be in good financial standing to be voting member

Umpire in Chief - needs to be able to use website for scheduling  
12.0 - recreational season draft/assessments/team assignment detailed, volunteer status should be listed on draft sheet  
Electronic vote to come regarding coaches fee.  
Much discussion about league age rule. Bylaws will stay the same, no league age exceptions.

**STORM Team Updates**

Teams doing well. Some playing in Oviedo Classic.

Meeting adjourned at 10:37pm