

# **Orlando Babe Ruth Board Meeting**

## **April 9, 2017**

Meeting called to order at 7:12pm

We have a quorum 10/15 eligible voters.

Present: Robert Viera, Frank Malatesta, Kara Pastis, Andy Nichol, Sara Sciortino, Tony Downing, Ron Griffin, Krista Joslin, John Miller, Dan McGaw, Don Hartner, Wanda Quill, Jen Dollar, Charles Rutterbush, Don Quill, David Bates, Gilda Juarez, Carrie Powers, Dan Baker, James Savino,

Minutes from last meeting approved

Frank read list of eligible voters. Discussion about eligibility and changing bylaws to eliminate STORM balance from voting rule.

Have some open board positions:

Proposed:

Fundraising - Andy Nicol - approved

Crosby Field Manager - John Miller - approved

Treasurer - David Bates (VP Finance - Sara Scortino)

NEED TREASURER AND VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR for Fall 2017

### **All Stars Update/Bylaw Revision**

Division commissioner, managers, and exec board - vote for all star managers for their age  
8u and 9u needed votes bc there was more than one manager who wanted the job.

8u - Frank Malatesta

9u- Andy Nicol

All Star Tryouts:

Emails will go out to parents after coaches select their nominees

Evaluations:

6u- Monday 4/17 6pm (scrimmage)

8u - Monday 4/17 6pm

9/10u - Wednesday 4/17 7pm

11/12u - Friday 4/21 6pm

Bylaws proposed changes:

Original: top 9 automatically make it

Change: top 5 automatically make it, rest is optional (revision passed)

Original: 13 max roster

Change: 15 max roster (to match what Babe Ruth recommends) (passed)

Original: playing up must eval in top 5, needs to be approved by division commissioner, player agent, managers, exec board members

Change: players play up SHOULD eval in top 5 OR final decision will be determined by division commissioner, player agent, managers, exec board members (passed)

### **League Financials**

\$7,000 in the bank. Need to pay True Green. Have outstanding registration fees

Going forward - kids will not eval who are two seasons overdue

Please use the reimbursement form online.

STORM coaches need to collect their money if they want to be reimbursed.

### **Marketing/Public Relations**

Working on pushing out accomplishments at a more steady rate for league visibility

Fall campaign should start soon. May meeting will discuss promotions etc for fall. Will open up

Fall registration. Will have promo code for returning players

### **Partnership Updates**

Brought in \$9,000 since last meeting. Wanda doing amazing work! Discussed recognizing sponsors on FB.

### **Upcoming/Past Events**

mash-up weekend was great!

majors had some coaches playing with them

Trinity hit one out of the park

Pitch Hit and Run went well

Homerun Derby/Parent-Player Game - tabled to fall

Dancing on the Drive - we have a table to earn money - and we get \$2 from every ticket - Krista will set up a table Thursday 4/27 and Saturday 4/29 to sell advanced tickets and we will man the gate also after All Star selections

Krista ordering medals and coming up with a plan for distribution

### **Season Update**

Championship Week - May 1-5

Proposed idea to have banners made for 1st place teams, as well as trophies for 1st, 2/3/4th get medals

### **Concessions**

Frank pays 18% of gross revenue to OBR

### **Storm updates**

Teams playing well, no issues/concerns/needs

### **Field updates**

Trotters got new canopies

Irrigation issues fixed

Light issues still need work

McGaw getting 8 sandbags

Banners getting re-ordered for those who have re-upped their partnership

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm

Next meeting May 7 6:30pm - CWA (ideally)