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2016 Spring Registration

Enrollment continues to decline. Typically it is about 10% per year, though this year may be only about 5% less.

Babe Ruth Winter Workouts

This is the first year. Reports are that it is going well.

Dick's Day 4/2-4/3

Emails will be coming out to remind NBR members.

Uniforms

Kym Venezia reported on the cost of official Babe Ruth jerseys. They are at least 20% more expensive than what we are currently using. Because of this and because of the shipping issues (to Maryland), she does not recommend we use them.

Glander 3 Update

Andy was at the field use meeting. No trees were removed, but "a lot" of brush was removed. Parks & Rec is still apparently requesting or expecting NBR to donate money towards this field despite there being no agreement in place.

Newtown Day at Yale

Yale baseball day is scheduled for April 16th.

Concussion Policy

Parks & Rec has inquired about NBR's "concussion policy". Coaches will be getting an email and an online "course" on concussion awareness. [Discussion about how strict to be and whether volunteer parents are qualified to make any sort of medical assessments.]

Umpire Clinic

Saturday 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM.

Nighthawk Clinic

Coach Memoli's Nighthawk is this Sunday from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM for NBR players aged 5 to 9.

Website Updates

The NBR website is up-to-date with much information about the 2016 season.

Travel Meeting

Next month's meeting is in the Alexandria room to accommodate an expected larger audience. Parents interested in travel baseball are encouraged to attend.

14U District Team

A second 14U district team did not work out.

New Parks & Rec Open Tryout Procedures

P&R is establishing a tryout procedure. It is not workable as is and we will follow it after modifications in particular with regard to tryout evaluators. [Long discussion about the viability of the policy.]

Pitch Counts

Babe Ruth is establishing pitch count rules. NBR is looking to adopt "Pitch Smart" guidelines. [Discussion about using pitch counts.]

Attendance by the Secretary

19 MIGS

Treasurers Report

\$10,000 in income for the month of February offset by various expenses. We should be good for the year to come.

Around the Room

Discussion about teams being formed already and how that is not true.

Discussion about players in the 5/6 division "playing up". Instead, NBR will try "age balancing".

Coaches appreciation dinner is March 15th at the Newtown Country Club from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Coaches clinic on March 19th from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Coaches can bring their kids and their gloves for a pitching clinic.