

MYBBSB Board Meeting 4/29/2018

Notebook: 98. Middletown Little League

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Attendees:

Andy Prestash, Mike Weisenberg, Mike Czerwonka, Rob Parker, Joe Bailey, Jack Jones, Mike Tortora, Carolyn May, Russ Cormier

Parents: Rich Eldridge

Start Time: 5:20 (keys did not work, Mike T was able to get ahold of maintenance person and get keys)

Quorum: No

Discussion Topics

Andy

- Snow Scoreboard going up on Monday (Northeastern Communications doing the install)
- Snow Signage -- will get new signs made for softball for championships
 - Will put one on Snow 1 and 1 on Romagialli
- Baseball sign-age - on Both Baroni and Romagialli
- Opening day recap
 - both days 70 degree / sunny - great days for baseball
 - Concessions cleared about \$2500 over the 2 days
 - feedback was positive
- Concessions Changes (Andy for Jason Larosa)
 - packets of condiments (instead of big jars)
 - cans vs bottle (bottles don't last as much)
 - Russ will reach out to Xavier/ Mercy this week for volunteers looking for Community service
 - Jason proposed to put digital locks on those doors; those would have to be 'mortice' lock sets vs. cylindrical lock sets, so those would be about \$\$350+ apiece
 - could do 1 lock on the mechanical room and put sets of keys in there
 - Agreed to lower the Lockbox (and change the combination)
 - Create a 'competition' among teams for who has the most volunteers, have some kind of prize at the end.
- Scheduling
 - put A / AA teams on Hubbard whenever possible (Majors does not play on Saturday for the most part and AAA would only have 2 games, leaving a lot of time slots open)
 - no one should practice on Hubbard during the week, other than batting cages
- All Stars
 - Need to compile list by **May 9th** of who is interested AND available to play in all stars so have the pool of players
 - Ask the coaches to send the email out vs. the league, put out a memo via the coaches
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- Based on

Russ
Administration

- no 'inter-league' forms, do we need to do this for challenger?
- balance of \$27 - 1 Additional insured general liability
 - For Liability or Crime Insurance questions, please call **(570) 326-1921 x4.**
- meeting with the city park and rec

Safety

- 124 registered volunteers
- 111 background checks submitted
- 13 are pending (people have not supplied the information)
- Still too much glass by the batting cages
- Rob fixed snow batting cage

Volunteers

- setting up Concession schedule, have had some responses, but mostly the 'regulars'
 - put a note about how the money gets used, especially for Softball
- NB Bees
 - 42 players
 - 60 adults

Sponsors (russ for Dave B)

- 'buy-a-brick' walkway
 - if we can find someone to donate
- bucket truck or scissor lift for flagpole
- dick's sign needs to come down over concession and the concession sign back up
- he's working on sponsors for snow scoreboard

Carolyn

- Equipment
 - had to get \$1200 cash for Joe so he could go store to store to buy bats (b/c most of the bats were back ordered)
- Accounts
 - cleared up old paperwork at Liberty
 - will have to get a 'new' online account g
 - got Jason a card on the Concession account
- Feedback from AA coaches that they did not get catchers mitts (Joe will get those)
 - AA coaches want some additional balls
- Umpires
 - 7 umps needed 1099's; all but R. Murphy has given her 1099
 - Carolyn will ask any new umpires for a w-9 before they get paid
- Finances:
 - surplus was \$9690 from last year
 - need to spend about \$35,000 by end of October (our estimated surplus)
 - ideas
 - new 'cages' for Hubbard
 - pitching warm up areas at Baroni and Romagialli
 - re-level the middle area between the cages at Hubbard

Mike

- have a team for Girls Rule (10U), looking for 12U
- Need to spend more time with the evaluation setup

Jack

- Home games (3), needs buddies (goes out on the field with the kids to help)
 - he will send out to post 75/xavier/wesleyan/mercy
- uniforms
 - have been ordered but they are not yet ready (need to call Barry every few days)
 - 1st game is Wednesday at Wallingford

Joe

- equipment handout went well, joe wanted to make sure he can purchase balls, etc as needed, permission granted
- will send out a general email to see if coaches need anything
- should parents be allowed on the press box stands
- call up list needs to get

Rob

- AW has new hats and jerseys
- started the 16U-19U , had 22 kids sign up
 - will keep it to 1 team b/c of pitching (14 kids)
 - evaluations
- 2 14U to 16U teams this year

Mike C

- nothing to report on Monarchs

Mike W

- will order new auto flusher for the ladies room at Hubbard and work on getting it installed.

General Discussion:

- Motion: by Mike C to have T. D'Aquila answer for his actions earlier in the season
- Summer League
 - Need a volunteer for Summer League Baseball and Softball (will need to get that in place early, they need lineups in early June)
 - Will get registration opened soon
- Need to start thinking about Fall Registration

Nomination for new board member: russ cormier nomimated Rich Eldridge to be operations director, Carolyn 2nd; vote will be at next meeting

Tabled items for May meeting

- Vote for Operations Director

- Vote on temporarily extending team size to 13 due to number of players and roster make ups at some levels

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

Next Meeting: Sunday, May 20th; 5PM at First Church of Christ, 190 Court St, Middletown, CT, USA

Minutes compiled and submitted by R. Cormier