

Minutes

Newington Little League Monthly Meeting held on 02/05/19 Volunteer Field

Attendees	EXEC BOARD: Jim Trommer, Carlos Tirado, Steve Peronace, Daniela James, Melissa Olczak, BOARD MEMBERS: Al Poulin, Bill DeWitt, Brian Alemany, Brian Petronio, Chris Lynch, Chris Stoppa, Enza Mitchell, John Gieras, Jonathan Siriano, Kathleen Fleming, Kathy Kanya, Keith Chamberland, Ron Fairwood
Meeting Called to Order	7:03 P.M. Meeting called to order by Jim Trommer
Secretary Report	Motion to accept secretary's report made by Ron Fairwood. Second by Chris Lynch
Treasurer Report	As of 02/05/19 \$9,711.82 in special account \$52,201.02 general account \$1,665.12 concession account Taxes will be in the mail by Friday Motion to accept Treasurer's report made by Chris Lynch. Second by Ron Fairwood
Correction to last month's minutes	n/a
All Stars	NEW RULE 3 coaches are allowed in the dugout with 12 players. If less than 12 players then only 2 coaches are allowed in the dugout
Apparel	Apparel will be sold at assessments
Assessments and DRAFT	Assessments will be held at ATI on 02/24/18 from 3:00pm-5:00pm (baseball); 5:00pm-6:00pm (Softball) and on 02/25/18 from 6:00pm – 7:00pm If a player cannot come to either Sunday or Monday assessments a supplemental assessment will be scheduled. ALL PLAYERS 9-12 NEED TO BE ASSESSED BEFORE BEING PLACED ON A TEAM There were some concerns that a 9yr old is in the dugout with a 12yr old. Draft will be on 02/26/19 and held at Bertuccis
Babe Ruth	n/a
By-law Committee	n/a
Challenger	Practice and Games will be scheduled Wednesdays and Sundays. They need helmets. Youth to adult sizes. They would like to change their shirts. Kathy will talk to John
Concession Stand	Baseball Concession is Closed Softball is thinking of starting a concession stand at Memorial. More to come

Elections	n/a
Equipment	<p>Equipment area will be built at Badger once the weather is better. All gear will be moved to Badger once the area is built. We now have all the softball equipment. Jonathan will inventory the bags</p>
Fields	<p>Memorial Field - - Main concern is the fields drainage after rain. Large puddles will remain for days. - 2nd base is permanently in place, not sure the reason. Should have break away bases. - sprinkler head protrudes 1-2 inches above playing surface behind the mound. - players benches in the 3rd base dugout are each missing a plank.</p> <p>To rectify two of the issues, many have said that we need dirt added to the infield to build up the infield which would enable and aid the water to properly drain into the outfield (also would help cover sprinkler head which is now exposed) as there is a lip around the infield that appears to retain the water causing it to pool and prohibiting it from draining into the outfield. Also have heard that the infield may also need to be aerated or turned over.</p> <p>McCusker Field - Needs to be turned over, excessive weeds in infield. Softball needs a viable second field for practices as it is difficult for juniors, majors, minors, instructional, and challenger to share one field for all games and practices. - excessive weeds - not maintained - pitching rubber at 40 feet (or 35 feet for minors if it's decided to be a minor practice field). If maintained, minors could hold games there if necessary.</p> <p>Paterson Field - An option for practice only if maintained due to no fences to protect players on benches. - Benches need repair</p> <p>Wallace Field - Dugouts need to be repaired</p>
Fundraising	<p>Sponsorships have been coming in. We received about \$5500.00 so far</p> <p>Laser Quest – We profited \$370.00 There will be another event scheduled for 02/25/19</p> <p>Yard Goats Tickets will be sold at Assessments - \$22.00 a person NO PARENTS OR COACHES ON THE FIELD DURING CLINIC ONLY Executive Board members are allowed on the field</p> <p>Pitch/Hit/Run – Top 3 get gift bags Top 2 go to Semifinals at Yard Goats</p> <p>Wolfpack Vouchers – Vouchers will be sold at Assessments</p>

	<p>Meadow Farms – Catalog orders. For every 500 items sold the league receives a 40% kickback. Something to keep in mind for future ideas</p> <p>Target – Giving us a \$100.00 gift card THANK YOU</p>
Housekeeping	Outside lights will updated to LED. Jim's brother in law will install them
Intermediate Baseball	<p>This season Intermediates will focus on practices and scrimmages and less competition</p> <p>After the draft the intermediate commissioner (Jonathan) along with Jim and Daniela will meet with the Intermediate Coaches to establish teams</p> <p>Jonathan stated that although last year's intermediate coach's kids may be drafted into majors he would like for them to attend the assessments and be part of assessing all the kids.</p> <p>The Executive Board agrees - Last season's Intermediate coaches will be allowed to attend the assessments and will be given score sheets.</p>
Major Baseball	n/a
Minor Baseball	All Divisions are getting cage time at ATI pre-season
New Business	<p>NHS Coaches Clinic will be held on March 14th 6-7:30 at the High School Anyone interested in coaching this season is strongly encouraged to register for this clinic – IT'S FREE</p> <p>Melissa will contact the NHS Softball coach to see if he wants to offer a clinic for Softball coaches</p>
Old Business	n/a
Player Agent	Daniela will act as player agent this season
Player Development	n/a
Registration:	Up and running
Safety Officer	ALL VOLUNTEERS (in any capacity) need to fill out a Volunteer Form. Please fill out form on line and send to Chris Stoppa
Softball	<p>Clinic will start 02/11/19</p> <p>30 kids have signed up</p> <p>Face masks are strongly recommended for all levels of Softball</p>
Special Projects	<p>Indoor Batting Facility: Enza spoke to Al Maxamino is South Windsor LL. They got a 40x80 kit for an outdoor structure. Cost was about \$45k The entire project cost about \$150-160k</p>
Summer/Fall Ball	n/a
T-Ball	We need a T-Ball Commissioner
Uniforms	Melissa will talk to John regarding new softball uniforms. This season the girls will pay for their uniforms
Umpires	John/Jack will set up a clinic once teams have been assigned
OPEN FORUM:	n/a
Meeting Adjourned:	Meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM by Jim Trommer
	Respectfully Submitted by Daniela James