

- I. Meeting commenced at 7:45pm. 19 Members in attendance.
- II. January BOD meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
- III. Gary and Mary Wathen were unanimously approved to fill the Dominion League Director of T-Ball/"A" board position.
- IV. Treas. Report: President reported that we are on track for registrations and other income and expenses. As of 2/7 registrations are up by 60 kids from 2/7/11. Execution report approved unanimously. \$3300 received in Dominion League sponsor checks. \$1968.51 in payback from travel expenses received from District 10. IRS note: None of our 3 leagues has registered with the state since 2007. We need to do that annually. Mark Murphy will investigate if a lawyer needs to file these.
- V. American League update: Still deciding if we will add a 6th Majors team this season (30% chance.) Board unanimously approved the following Managers for Spring 2012: Majors: Don Curry, Ryan Buchanan, Rich Dudley, Chris Chih, Jacques Thomas; AAA: David Kane, Mark Murphy, Greg Altieri, Mark Quigley, Matt Pugsley; AA: Bob Roberts, Rick Freeman, Rob Jennings, Marty Duple (still need one more AA Manager.)
- VI. Dominion League update: Board unanimously approved the following Managers for Spring 2012: Majors: Mark Haynes, Will Macht, Pat Donohue, Chris Ewald; AAA: Ralph Rueda, Brian Kimmel, Alex Lennon, Steve Thornhill (Michael Disano also approved in case he is needed); AA: Larry Little, Paul Gunning, Michael Carchia, Kevin Hilton.
- VII. National League update: Working on schedule for Burke field. Need to get inventory of FFLL-owned equipment at Burke. Probably will expand to 5 Majors teams. Board unanimously approved the following Managers for Spring 2012: Majors: Tom Russell, Adam Mejia, Jay Kittelberger, Julius Rothstein, Jack Law (pending expansion decision); AAA: Tom Jacky, Jay Kittelberger, Randy Jennings, Dave Woodruff; AA: Karen McGee, Tom Young, David Peters, George Merritt; AA or AAA pending league numbers and draft: Matthew Thys, Robert Dinges; A: Noah Nathan, Greg Clifton, Rhon Price, Kevin Ward, Brett Scrum; T-Ball: Brandon Smith, Darric Milligan, Michael Pritchard, Ann Nunn, C. Scott Allen.
- VIII. Waivers: The Board unanimously approved the following Regulation II(d) and II(a) waivers:
 - a. Aidan Kelly – approved to continue playing in American League despite change of address.
 - b. Jack Darsey – approved to continue playing in Dominion League despite change of address.
 - c. Tyler Croson – approved to continue playing in National League despite change of address.
 - d. Ryan Croson – approved to continue playing in National League despite change of address.
 - e. Kennedy Struck – approved to play Juniors baseball for Fairfax National Little League despite living outside FFLL boundaries because West Springfield Little League does not offer a Juniors program.
 - f. Brian Carl – approved to play Seniors baseball for Fairfax National Little League despite living outside FFLL boundaries because Southwestern Youth Association East Little League does not offer a Seniors program.
- IX. Identify New Director of Jr./Sr. Play: Lisa to contact potential candidates.
- X. Minors Schedule subcommittee update: Alex reported that the work of this subcommittee is now complete. Only thing left to do is to determine the schedule for the upcoming season.
- XI. By Laws vs. Local Rules subcommittee update: Steve is about 50% done with his review. He has separated the Local Playing Rules into a separate document with just the minimum information coaches need during games. The By Laws remain in the current document and need to be separated out. The new Local Playing Rules will be posted to the league website. Currently, we are operating under 2011 By Laws. Hope to have the updated By Laws completed before the start of the Spring season.
- XII. Rules Committee: Committee agreed to enforce the dropped third strike rule at the Majors level this season as adopted by Little League Baseball – rule 6.05(b)(2). The following changes to the Local Rules were discussed by the Rules Committee and unanimously approved by the Board:
 - a. Events limit changed from 5 to 4 events per week (over any 7 day period). Only 3 of those events can take place on school nights. No more than 3 games per week.
 - b. Single A game time limit change: No inning shall start after 1hr 30min from start of game; play shall cease after 1hr 50min.
 - c. Jr./Sr. game time limit change: In-house (non-interleague) game time limit for weeknight games changed to 2 hrs. Interleague games will remain at current time limits.

d. Electronic pitching machines are not to be used for batting practice on Pickett #5.

XIII. Volunteers for Subcommittee to Explore Field Development: Brandon, Scott, and Alex have volunteered for this subcommittee. Lisa noted that we do not have a set of lights that we can install on one of our fields as has previously been discussed. The set of lights that had been awarded to us was installed on Providence #4 in 2003.

a. Scott and Brandon to talk with GMU about possibility of building baseball fields on GMU property that both GMU and FFL could utilize.

XIV. GMU Game Raffle, April 22nd: need to confirm date with Brandon. If GMU Day does not work out, George Burgee suggested that we post the winners of the raffle prizes at Picture Day.

XV. Evaluations:

a. Schedule set; new batting cage in place; Fairfax HS players scheduled to assist.

b. Need to determine schedule for parent meetings, volunteers needed (Cheryl and Mark will determine schedule and communication)

XVI. PRAB Proposal: Unanimously approved FFL support for PRAB proposal.

XVII. Functional Reports:

a. Schedule:

i. Single A: Will be 12 games per team; 4 on weekdays and 8 on Saturdays. Need to find out when clinics will be held before Dave can finalize schedule.

ii. Majors:

1. Each team to play 3 games within league; the rest will be interleague games.

2. Schedule 3 games per field on Saturdays: 10am, 1pm, and 4pm.

iii. T-Ball: Schedule games 2 hours apart.

iv. A: Schedule games 2.5 hours apart.

v. AA/AAA/Majors: Schedule games 3 hours apart.

vi. 5/12 (Saturday): No games scheduled; to be used for makeup games.

b. Opening Day:

i. Working with city to get everything approved.

ii. Parade to line up in street like last year.

iii. Pat Rodio to be honored; daughter will be at Opening Day; family to throw out first pitch.

iv. Parade assistance: will need to send out a list of things that people can help out with on Opening Day. Mark will coordinate convertibles.

c. Sponsors: Working on getting sponsors. Got estimate for sign at Burke.

d. Field & Grounds:

i. New locks on Pickett bathrooms.

ii. Foul ball signs made (not hung yet.)

iii. Sign on Pickett batting cage to thank Jay Kittelberger & Sons for rebuilding cage.

iv. Burke: Serious issues with drainage, etc.

v. Purchased new set of magnetic bases (\$600)

vi. Tom to put signs in sheds re: when/how to use Turface vs Quick Dry on fields.

vii. Bought new pitching machine for A (\$250)

viii. By 3/1 will find all base anchors on fields.

ix. 3/3 Field Cleanup Day: Presidents to send Tom names of field coordinators. Send Tom information on what needs to be done on each field.

x. Tom decided not to hire cleaning service; he will clean Pickett bathrooms.

e. Equipment Pickup: AAA/Majors – 3/3 after field cleanup day; T-Ball/A/AA: 3/10. Will schedule pickup date for Fall returns.

f. Coaching Coordinator: No coaches at VBC for clinic on Monday. We will pay VBC additional money out of training budget to have them supply all instructors for sessions. Bill will get info re: coaching clinics and scheduling.

XVIII. Other:

a. All three League's Constitutions were approved as of January 23, 2012. We have approval from District 10 to operate as 3 leagues under one Board.

b. Reminder to Board members to submit Volunteer Forms to the league Presidents.

XIX. Meeting adjourned at 10:04pm.