

LNRA Baseball and Softball
General Member Meeting #235
Monday December 14th, 2015
Lower Nazareth Township Building
Bethlehem, PA 18020

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of October Meeting Minutes – Minutes approved

III. Treasurer’s Report – Craig

A. Opening Balance	\$16,989.00
B. Disbursements	\$3,604.86
C. Ending Balance	\$13,384.14

IV. Director’s Reports – No Director Reports

V. Old Business

- A.** Update Advertising Campaign (Steve): Sponsorship – We discussed several ideas to offset the cost of upcoming projects. These ideas included: selling plaques to be displayed on building of Field 2, implementing a rewards program for referring sponsors, and encouraging organizational networking. We will continue to work on this and discuss at December meeting.
- B.** Sliding Pit – Shannon asked to look into this.
- C.** Recommendation to look at how girls are broken up at tee-ball and 2/3 groups. Parents need to be aware.
- D.** Fall Cleanup was October 17th from 8am to 12pm. Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help!

VI. New Business

- A.** Financials/2016 Budget (Tom, Craig) - Motion to approve by Rod. Second by Dave Moore.
- B.** 13/14 year old travel team(Dirk) – 6 to 7 committed players with a potential for 10 players thus far. Waiting on registration fees for 4 non-committed players. Rod

discussed need for additional flyer to increase roster. Include all of Nazareth (Upper Nazareth, Lower Nazareth, Nazareth Borough). Flyers will be distributed at Middle School. We need 11 to 12 players to field team. Sign-ups in January. LNRA Fees = \$150 + additional tournament fee. Rod will provide flyer information to Tom for production and distribution.

- C. 13 year-old prep – 5 to 6 teams. Local games during week with travel games on weekend. Great experience to prep for Junior Legion baseball. The season ends mid- to late-July. League allows 12 year-olds as well.
- D. Winter workouts @ Lehigh Valley Baseball Academy (LVBA).
 - 1. Fees = \$250/10 weeks
 - 2. Starts in mid-January and ends in late March. Details TBA.
 - 3. Contact Steve from Lehigh Valley Baseball Academy for more information. Information on website.
- E. Spring Start-up Schedule
 - 1. Sign-ups: open January 1st, 2016 for Baseball, Softball, and Challenger
 - a. In-person Sign-Ups: Saturday, February 6th
 - b. Workbond (\$100 per family) is required and refundable after completion of obligation. Outstanding workbonds (37) will have to be payed prior to 2016 registration. We are instituted PayPal on website for registration fees.
 - 2. Evaluations – Saturday, February 20th 4pm to 8pm @ LVBA. Same efficient design as last year. Evaluators TBD.
 - 3. Opening Day: April 16th, 2016 – FeFe and Ferrous will be in attendance. Opening Day Games for baseball and softball. The snack stand will be open. We plan to build on success of 2015.
- F. Clearances – new procedure (Scott). Will be updated on website. Details to be posted soon. Fresh-start approach, so need to renew now with LNRA.
- G. Memorial Day Tourney – U9/U10 – Currently gauging interest. Need 4 to 6 teams at minimum. Max 8 teams. LNRA-hosted tournament will use Little League Rules. Rod mentioned that Emmaus hosts a 12 year-old tournament each year. LNRA will look into participating in Emmaus tournament as well.
- H. Director of Sponsorship – Proposed new addition to LNRA Baseball/Softball Board Position. Tom recommends Steve Rodriguez. By-laws will need to be changed.

VII. Announcements – no new announcements.

VIII. Next Meeting – January 11th, 2016

IX. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn by Dave Moore. Motion seconded by Rod Wilson.
Meeting adjourned at 8:17pm.

Attendance:

Dirk Chiles	Scott Fuller	Craig Vakiener	Ron Davis	Rod Wilson
John Panovec	Tom Kilareski	Mike Petruska	Dave Moore	Jared King