

## **BBA Meeting 02-12-20**

### **1. Business/Agenda**

- a. Positions
  - i. Fund-raising coordinator – Ron Welker has volunteered. He said May 16<sup>th</sup> is booked for the comedy show. He needs Drew to mail the VFW a deposit. He is also asking for raffle basket donations if anyone is willing to donate. Heather Colgan will assist.
  - ii. Memorial Day Parade coordinator – Chris Welker has volunteered.
  - iii. Ticket distribution – Michelle Hrivnak is in charge. She will give tickets to the coaches to distribute.
  - iv. Field coordinator – Needs a new coordinator. Brian Guido is stepping down since his son has decided not to play. Brian Jarrett and John-Michael Toney have volunteered to help/be on a committee but a coordinator is needed ASAP.
- b. AED Training – we completed CPR training and an AED device was donated. We voted to purchase a waterproof outside container with an alarm for the device. It will be hung outside of concession. We will need someone to check the device monthly. We will be responsible for purchasing pads and the battery when they expire. Michelle Hrivnak will store the device during the winter.

### **2. Division Reports**

- a. Little League – Kerry Harris said we are calling majors the intermediate division. It will be bronco rules (50/70). We may still play other leagues using little league rules.
- b. Pony – Bill Bates had no report
- c. Tournament – Gina Wright will set up a meeting with managers to review the tournament team rules and sign acknowledgment of the rules. She is still figuring out coaches for a couple of the teams.
- d. Treasury Report – Drew Curry said we have almost \$27,000 in our account. A question was asked what our operating costs are each year. The board agreed to meet and figure out before our next league meeting.
- e. Safety Report – John Litz reminded us all that any clearances that are dated before March 15, 2015 need to be renewed asap. Please check with John if you are not sure when your clearances need to be renewed. He also said Little League wants background checks on all volunteers who are volunteering to coach or help with a team. He said a company called J.D.P. will provide 125 free background checks and each additional check will be \$.95 a person. Every person volunteering must register online and he will

use that list for the background checks. Jack Lucot discussed giving all volunteers a badge that shows they were checked.

- f. Player Personnel Report – Jack Lucot said so far 62 kids have registered for the season. He also reminded us that we can take registrations after March 8<sup>th</sup> but there will be a late fee of \$25. NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DRAFT ON MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>.

### **3. Registration**

- a. Open registration from January 8<sup>th</sup> to March 8<sup>th</sup>
- b. Registration is staying the same
  - i. T-Ball \$65
  - ii. Coach Pitch, Minors, & Majors \$75
  - iii. Pony \$85
  - iv. Sibling discount is \$10
- c. Fund raising tickets to remain the same. (\$100 total equals 20 at \$5 each per family, not child. Family pays up front and keeps the money as they sell the tickets.)

### **4. Spring Training**

- a. Penn State New Ken (PSNK) gym – Bill Bates worked with Penn State to get us gym time for the baseball clinic Saturdays and Sundays in March, starting March 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - i. Minors – Saturdays
    - 1. March 7<sup>th</sup> – 9:00am – 10:30am
    - 2. March 14<sup>th</sup> – 9:30am – 11:00am
    - 3. March 21<sup>st</sup> – 9:00am – 10:30am
  - ii. Majors – Saturdays
    - 1. March 7<sup>th</sup> – 10:30am – 12:00pm
    - 2. March 14<sup>th</sup> – 11:00am – 12:30pm
    - 3. March 21<sup>st</sup> – 10:30am – 12:00pm
  - iii. Coach Pitch – Sundays
    - 1. March 8<sup>th</sup> – 1:15pm – 2:15pm
    - 2. March 15<sup>th</sup> – 1:15pm – 2:15pm
    - 3. March 22<sup>nd</sup> – 1:15pm – 2:15pm
  - iv. Pony – Sundays
    - 1. March 8<sup>th</sup> – 2:15pm – 4:00pm
    - 2. March 15<sup>th</sup> – 2:15pm – 4:00pm
    - 3. March 22<sup>nd</sup> – 2:15pm – 4:00pm
- b. Batting Sessions at Predators – Every Sunday in march. The fee is \$3 per session limited to 10 kids.
  - i. Coach Pitch – 4:00pm – 5:00pm
  - ii. Minors – 5:00 – 6:00pm
  - iii. Majors – 6:00pm – 7:00pm
  - iv. Pony – 7:00pm – 8:00pm

### **5. 2020 Season Calendar**

- a. Registration opens – January 10<sup>th</sup>
- b. Spring batting sessions – Sundays in March at Predators
- c. Spring training sessions – March 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> at PSNK
- d. Tournament tryouts – March 28<sup>th</sup> & March 29<sup>th</sup> at PSNK
- e. Registrations Ends – March 8<sup>th</sup>
- f. Draft – March 14<sup>th</sup>
- g. Practices begin – March 23<sup>rd</sup>
- h. Games begin – April 20<sup>th</sup>
- i. Opening Day – April 25<sup>th</sup>
- j. Season ends – June 13<sup>th</sup>
- k. Playoffs – June 14<sup>th</sup>. Will try to be done by June 20<sup>th</sup>.
- l. Burrell Blast Tournaments – June 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> & July 2<sup>nd</sup> – July 5<sup>th</sup>

## **6. Field Projects**

- a. Fencing Company – Brain Guido said Pittsburgh Fencing still has some repairs to complete and will not be paid the rest of the fee until the work is completed and inspected.
- b. Tractor – the bid to fix the tractor came in at \$4,214.20 with tires being an additional \$552. The bid includes a new clutch. There was a lot of discussion including Jeff McLafferty suggesting we fix everything but the clutch. We do not need to change gears. The board did not make a final decision. Ben Davis suggested asking PSNK if they have a tractor we can use/have if they are using D field.
- c. D field road – we are working on making a road behind D field and making the fields one way.
- d. C field – Ben Davis applied for a grant for \$10,000 to address the 3<sup>rd</sup> base side dugout. The dugout is sliding enough that it is not safe for kids. We have bids: \$4,000 to tear down and rebuild, \$8,000 to tear down, add a new footer, and rebuild. \$6,000 for a metal dugout. Kerry said he had a bid for \$3,500 to \$4,000. Guido said there is no footer. Waiting to see if we are approved for the grant. The 1<sup>st</sup> base dugout also needs repointed/reset.
- e. C field drainage – we received several quotes that range from \$18,000 to \$20,000. We applied to Pittsburgh Pirate Charity and still waiting for approval.
- f. Lawn Care – Quote from TruGreen. Discussed using them since people are not helping as much as we need to maintain the fields. The bid is \$2,386.10.

## **7. New Business**

- a. The board met with PSNK to discuss possible long-term deal on D field to enter into an agreement for PSNK's baseball team to use our field as their home field. We just started the process and may take several months to finalize.

- b. Possible solution for our 12-year-old kids not being ready for D field. Looking to transition out major's division into an intermediate division. Kids who turn 13 between May 1<sup>st</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup> are too old for little league and may not be ready for D field.
- c. Looking to get someone to come in and instruct our kids to umpire minors' games. Jim asked someone and Little League said they can send someone to help. We are using kids to umpire the minor's games because it saves us money from using badged umpires and we want the kids to learn more about baseball and stay involved in the program. We discussed the problem of some our coaches and parents treating the kid umpires poorly. We hope this additional training will help the kids in their on the field decisions.

**8. Open Floor**

- a. Kerry has 2020 Little League rule books if anyone is interested.
- b. The next meeting is March 11, 2020 at 7:00pm in the middle school cafeteria.