

Monthly League Wide Meeting NOTES (10/05/16) RMS Room #305

In attendance 7 League members & 6 EB members

OPERATIONS: Bill/All

Rec. Meeting EB will be attending October meeting on the 26th discussing usage fee As mentioned in last month's meeting, we were planning to get on the rec agenda for the September meeting, had conflicts and are planning on the 26th, their meetings are the last Wednesday of the month.

By-laws edits a few needed; League rules, what else)

Items such as Pitch counts, will need to be updated, added as they are now full time. Last year was a trial. We will work to get to one sheet of league rules, by laws a few rewrites some grammatical items that we want to get corrected. League rules will be kept outside of by laws.

Spring Season Evaluations- must be completed to begin steps for new season drafting process

Spring evals, thanks to Jamie last year's draft went really well, before draft used to spend a lot of time before and at the draft moving players based on coaches and others input, made for very un productive time spent. Not so worried about rounds tiers, eliminate team disparities. Evenly distributes skill to teams, we had a great season few if any concerns.

FINANCE: Guy

Developing new Season budget

Registration costs for upcoming season Will need to review the final snack stand numbers and paid workers to understand the end result and how to plan this year,

<u>Finances</u> - bank change-Guy will look to move our account to another back before new registration processing begins. Registration up \$6k this year, Kitchen, paid help Took in \$3k over last year Infield mix up over last year CH, snack stand

Thinking change and drag has gate aide raise money right there near the shed, more of a convenience than anything else, Cant have hot dogs or other heated items no electric., all data presented.

OPERATIONS: Bill /Ray/All

Nominations to be made—TONIGHT (EB, Chair Positions, League Directors) Votes will be cast in the November League wide meeting

FACILITIES/EQUIP: Swanny

Drainage Walkway, tent area – Update Work to start week of 10/10 Safety, repairs, falling railroad ties, walkway, drainage issue Bleachers, rain runoff gutters, access to 3rd base from a vehicle

Cameras - analytics, sponsorship – need to review and see what options they have and or how to present them Go Camera.com

Additional revenue ideas – use of fields in summer- This past weekend we were to host USABL – No games, poor weather – We will need someone to run summer tournaments - (Not necessarily our team, prep field, run SS, to make money. Also Tagem, weekend, tournaments, Money to be made for the league, % for league to prep fields and manage ss, they handle almost all other aspects.



SPONSORSHIP/SPECIAL EVENTS: Gary/Jason

Fund Raising and Planning

New Season Sponsor form to be updated and posted online real soon

TRAVEL: Tom A.

Tryouts set for Sun. October 9th @ RR Fields (Times announced) 8U – 12U

Since posting the times we have fielded some concerns. We did our best to field in advance known fall conflicts. Conflicts, we have one day to do the evals. It is a very long 10 hour day for the core helpers, and independent evaluators. Suggestions to those families, as noted in example If my son was trying to make 70 want the player in with same age, difficult to evaluate, one with different t ages, highly suggest even if there are conflicts, that you would do everything to get there, again, best look at the day that time slot for the players age. Emphasize your child's best evaluation will come from an apple to apples review of players skills - Consider going late to the other event, leaving early to get to the assigned age group slot.

Managers, assisting coaches be there, seeing the results and being there are differences things.

Some think there is a conspiring and that coaches are pre picked, not the case. Process is as it has been past couple years, tryouts are conducted, if there are enough players to from a team and there is a manager and or managers interested, they are interviewed, teams are then formed, all with an understanding to the commitment of a travel team. The commitment to summer travel play, pretty much not taking a vacation in July.

Cooperstown/ upcoming 12U Team Rockets – <u>Meeting set for Friday @ RMS Library 7:30pm Presentation</u> open to anyone interested

Friday, CDP, presentation by an umpire at CDP, educate on the experience he will fire up the players, families, current 11U families maybe feeling that they don't want to go. Our league has a standing legacy with CDP we have sent a 12U travel team there every July since the CDP inception in 1996. It is a weeklong 12U only tournament, stay over, all included 3 meals a day two uniforms, spirit wear, hall of fame induction for all players, a HOF ring, a once in a life time experience for children, and memories to last a lifetime. This experience has been tradition and right to passage per say for all 12U travel players. We have a Grandfather certificate to send a team for a week each year. If that is not used is negatively impacts all following travel teams in our league. There are many ways to raise money and get the players there. Truly an amazing experience.

ADMIN/OPERATIONS:

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations:

Walked through each of the board and voting council titles, requested if the current hold was interested to remain, explained more than one nomination can be in for the same spot, we will have votes cast for all at the November meeting. Introduced the shadowing concept for certain positions help new folks to the league and or roles and other thoughts to get an understanding of the time commitment, and interactions, communications etc related to the roles.

Voting council is voting members, changes – Current positions will be posted outside of these notes.

Snack stand Looking to plan for season while the paid workers roles worked for the most part, it is too much for one person they can do the scheduling planning and purchasing, we will review positions, pay out for someone else to manage? (too much time) it is like a full time job seasonal for someone