

**Linden Little League
Board Meeting Minutes from
January 3, 2020
Pizza Plus
6:00 pm**

Date: Monday, January 3, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm

Attendance: Those in attendance were Mario Vigna, Dan Gunther, Angela Rugani, Tiffany Craven, Sindy Plaster, Chris Ricketts, Kathy Hamilton, Jen Plaster. Excused Brian Waddle and Ron Stevens. Unexcused Ryan Owens. General membership in attendance Jack Plaster, Amanda Ricketts, and Brad Coussons.

Approve Meeting Agenda: Agenda as is

Approve Minutes of December 2, 2019 Meeting: Dan Gunther 1st and Jack Plaster 2nd, unanimous approval

Correspondence: none

Officer Reports:

President-Mario Vigna

Official Schedule meeting is January 19, at Mark Twain Elementary for Safety Officer 1:00pm, Umpire & Chief 2:00pm and Presidents at 3:00pm. Mario will not be able to attend so League will be sending one representative as the league has skills assessments the same day.

Vice President-Dan Gunther

Dan collected information about the storage bin and the board felt that the 40 ft basic container with a budget of \$2300 and when it is to be delivered Mario will reach out to the principal of Glenwood, Wendy Hines, to get the area prepped for the bins delivery. As well the league voted to budget \$800 for dirt to maintain the fields of Glenwood. The board voted, Dan Gunther made the 1st motion and Jen Plaster seconded it, vote passed unanimously

Treasurer-Tiffany Craven

The tax fines have been paid off. The league account has \$41,191.26. The monthly income was \$3,500 in registration, \$11,900 in sponsorship, with an additional \$1250 in registration paid in person at the walk up registrations.

Coach Coordinator- Chris Ricketts

We have enough coaches for 3-4 t-ball teams, 3-4 Farm teams, 5 Minors teams, 5 Major teams and 2 junior teams.

Umpire - In - Chief- Ryan Owens

Ryan did not attend meeting. He asked Brad Coussons to reach out to our former umpire vendor, Anthony, and he was able to confirm that Anthony would like to continue the partnership with Linden Little League in providing umpiring services. Anthony would like the league to be more assertive with fans whom are out of order with their behavior.

Old Business

Fundraising/Sponsorship Updates

Dick's has offered to give a donation 3 dozen Official Little League Baseballs for the All Star games Linden Little League will be hosting. As well as 6- \$50 gift cards and 2-7ft batting nets. The league has its 20% discount weekend February 22 and 23. Board may be able to use the 20% coupons to purchase the electric and manual pitching machines.

Sponsorship committee may re-evaluate the amounts of donations for sponsorship.

Walk Up Registration- Extension of payment submission

Payment for registration has been extended. Users complete their registration with the required documentation and then pay by February 1.

Glenwood Field Upgrades

Discussed and voted on during the vice president's report.

Uniform and Apparel

The league would like to have a two button style jersey. Minors and up will get pro-fit Major League Baseball hats.

Linden Little League apparel will be available for purchase online. Additional items for sale will include women's tanks. we will also need more swag bags to sell in the snack bar. Jen Plaster would also like to do additional research to purchase reusable cups for purchase to help alleviate the purchase of cups. Board would like there to be an option of Cherry Pepsi on the fountain soda machine rather than the ice tea.

Skills Assessments- TIME CHANGES

Due to weather and other community events, skills assessments will be moved to Sunday, January 12, and Sunday January 18. Farm 11:30pm, Minors 12:30pm, Majors 2:00pm and Juniors 3:30pm. Monday, January 20 will still be an option for those who could not attend on the Sunday's, from 3:00pm -5:00pm

Scorekeeping

The league would like to have 2 scorekeepers per team. The *GameChanger* training on February 25 is an opportunity to give direction of common practices for use and any additional support for scorekeepers.

New Business/Open Discussion

Hit-a-thon Prizes

Highest Fundraiser 1st, 2nd, 3rd get a customized bat valued at about \$125. Dan will contact *Greg*, the bat maker.

Farthest hits 1st, 2nd, 3rd get a \$50 gift card to Dick's

Those who fundraise more than \$50 will get a Hit-a-thon t-shirt.

Wifi Access for Snack Bar

Contract with Verizon is \$100 a month and the router would be \$100.

Adjournment, *Jen Plaster* made the first motion and *Dan Gunther* seconded.

Unanimous meeting is adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Next board meeting is Monday, February 10th, 6:00pm, Pizza Plus.