

April 28, 2004

Agenda for 14th Little League Board Meeting

Sign in members – Mike Paulson, John McCallum, Steve Southwick, Chrystal Southwick, Jim King, Adam Smith, Ed Franklin, Dean Bitz, Daryl Kurmm, Brennan Moore

Working on fields (Brennan and Mike)– Field work was done on the fields last Saturday and Sunday. The fence was completed and fields were raked out.

Fence building – Discussion on what else needs to be done and how to do it. Steve Southwick will make some stakes to anchor the Cheney Fence.

Opening Day Ceremony brochure – The brochure was well received. Additions will be made according to suggestions by the board. Adam Smith will take care of finalizing the brochure. For opening day ceremony, final arrangements were made. Brennan Moore took care of 250 cans of pop and will talk to the Safeway Warehouse, Mike Paulson ordered hotdogs through Denny's Foods, Daryl Krumm ordered buns through IGA, Ed Franklin took care of condiments, napkins and water through Specialty Linen.

Sheds for field tools (Chrystal or Steve) – Steve built a shed for the Salnave Fields and Jim King was going to check with the parks to see where it could be placed at the park

Maintaining the Fields (Getting Water)– Jim King was going to check with the city to make sure we could hook up hoses to water down the fields.

Little League Web Site update: What needs to be added

Rosters (first name and last int.)

Results (Results would be filled in as they occur. Brennan will include on the rainout policy Adam's cell number for coaches to call in scores)

Minutes (minutes for all board meetings to this point will be posted)

Directions (Directions to all of our ball fields will be put on the web site)

Adam Smith is going to add all of the above items to the web site. In addition, more information about Little League and League Rules will be added. Items like a refund policy will be addressed over the next couple of months.

Equipment and Uniforms – there have been several issues with equipment. Kimmel is addressing the problems with Mike Paulson. We are trying to meet individual needs of players, but we are not going to provide entire custom uniform services.

Umpires for Majors and AAA games – Discussion on umpiring of the games was based off of Monday's umpires. Tim Easter the umpire chief wanted a full schedule to take care of having umpires at all games. Discussion about how much we can afford with paying umpires followed. We decided to commit to the umpire association one week for the AAA and half of the season for the majors. We will review the financial situation at that time.

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New coaches – All coaches were taken care of (no message were on Adam Smith's phone, so hopefully all coaches have contacted their players.) Discussion on how well our coaches are doing followed.

Schedules – Schedules were given out to most coaches. Others downloaded theirs off of the internet. Schedules were completed

Information Officer – discussion on having a board member who wanted to serve as a phone tree officer received a big thumbs up. The new positions will help get word out to coaches, board members, or others for the league.

Good News – Discussion was held on the great job that several of our coaches were doing working with kids. Several parents complemented Dean Bitz and Adam Smith passed on a very good job Dean. Mike Paulson discussed a AAA coach that he helped in Medical Lake. One parent who wanted her kid off the team after the first practice said that she was more than happy with the coach now.

Compiling League Rules – One rule that was discussed was the 10-run rule. The board decided to change the rule to a 20-run rule so that teams will get a chance to play, and also because things can change at anytime at this level.

Fall Baseball – There was discussion on forming a fall baseball league. It was understood that it would be a way scaled down league and that we would have to combine with Spokane North and South to schedule games. More discussion will follow on this subject.

Other Business – No other business was brought up.

Next Meeting – No next meeting date was set.