

# Minutes for January 19, 2005

**Sign in Members** – Adam Smith, Brennan Moore, John McCallum, Mike Paulson, Jim King, Daryl Krumm, James Whitely, Chrystal Southwick, Patrick Perez, Ed Franklin, James Ford, Dan Davenport, Marianne Davenport, Patrick McCarren

**Board Members Info Update** – Brennan was the last one

**Volunteer Applications** – 4 members turned theirs in. Good job, we will get copies at the next meeting

**Charter Status** – Our waiver letter was accepted. We are now an official Little League for 05. Adam Smith also received the Little League rule books that will be handed out at the coaches meeting.

**All-Star Dates** – State All-Star Dates were reported as the following:

11-12 old-- July 23rd at Auburn Dist. 10

11 old-- July 16th at Chehalis Dist 3

9-10 old---July 23rd at Centralia Dist 3

Junior Baseball (13-14)---July 16th at Woodenville Dist. 8

**News** – (Age Change from July to April 30 for 06) – For the 2006 Little League will change their cutoff date from July 30 to April 30. This means that kids playing in the league this year and have a birthday between April 30 and July 30 will pick up an extra year of eligibility.

**Capping fee to 125** – Both sides of the argument were presented. This year we are not going to cap the fee. However, we are going to do everything we can to make sure money is not an issue for anybody to play. This will mean scholarshiping kids based on an as needed basis.

**Equipment Purchase (*SAS v. Kimmel Round 1*)** - Doug from Kimmel Athletic came to the meeting and talked about the bid that Kimmel first submitted the league. After finding out more of what we wanted, Kimmel's Bid came down 1,500 and matched SAS. Uniforms were also discussed and Doug passed around a uniform that all of the board members liked. No decisions were made on equipment or uniforms.

**Contact Sponsors** – Mike Paulson has contacted most of last years sponsors. Sponsors that are for sure going to renew this year are:

- Whitworth Physical Therapy
- Village Supply
- Kimmel Athletic
- Denny's
- J&J Lube
- Conoco One Stop

Others needing to be contacted are:

- Cheney RV (Ed Franklin)
- Jarms Hardware (Ed Franklin)
- Consumer Auto Liquidators (Ed Franklin)
- NAPA (Ed Franklin)
- Longhorn BBQ (Mike Paulson)
- Bruchies (Mike Paulson)
- Whitewater Construction (Chrystal Southwick)
- Cheney Free Press (John McCallum)

Other places of business that have expressed an interest in sponsorships are:

Farmers Insurance

- Yokes
- Altons
- Bonanza Ford
- Oldies but Goodies
- DHL
- J&B Imports
- Medical Lakes Kiwanis is being contacted for \$200 towards the purchase of baseballs

Softball has sponsorship from:

- Whitworth
- Cheney Federal Credit Union
- Inland Power
- Swenson Tree for 300
- Rosa Pizza for 300

Discussion was also held on how much we would like to collect from our sponsors. The following prices were set:

A Team = 300

AA Team = 300

Majors and AAA renewal = 400

Majors and AAA new = 500

Our raffle was also discussed at this time. The following places of business have said that they would contribute to the raffle:

Safeway

Seattle Mariners

Farmers Insurance

Spokane Indians

Movie Gallery

Ben Franklin

These places of business are being worked on:

South West Airlines

Block Buster

The raffle dates are going to run as follows:

March 30 - Deadline for getting commitment from donors  
April 16 (Opening Day Ceremony) – Raffle is kicked off  
May 27 – Raffle money is due from all coaches. Kid portion of the raffle is over  
June 6-11 – WPLL Board sells raffle tickets during league championship tournament  
June 11 – WPLL Board holds raffle after League Championship Game

Raffle tickets will be \$1.00 each. Each player in the league will be asked to sell at least 10. Discussion was held, but no decision was made on rewarding the top selling kids in the league.

**Incorporation for our League** – Adam Smith has not worked on this yet.

**On-Line Registration Setup** – Adam Smith got the link from the WPLL web site working.

**Calendar Updates** – Raffle dates were added to the calendar.

**Approval of Signup Protocol** – Chrystal Southwick's signup protocol was passed around. Her process for filling out receipts and accounting for money was approved.

**Coaches Meeting Items – The following items were brought up for the coaches meeting:**

- Coaches need to be aware of All-Star selections and need to watch all players, not just their own
- Coaches need to take accurate stats for help in deciding All-Stars
- Mike Paulson reported that the DVDs he review would not be worth the money. We will hand out CDs from Cal Ripken Baseball again this year.
- Have a signup for a coaches clinic for beginning coaches
- Cover Safety Manual Lightning Policy
- Day time contact phone number for coaches in case of rain
- Cover Child Abuse Policy
- How to keep stats
- Calling in stats along with scores for the week
- Nominating a player of the week to be in the newspaper. Stats must be included in the nomination.

**Returning Coaches** – Mike Paulson has a list of the coaches that are returning and new people that want to coach. Jim King and Chrystal Southwick are in charge of softball coaches.

**Junior Program update** – No Update at this time.

**Pictures (Legends or Leo's)** – Daryl Krumm did not bring the Legends packet. Adam Smith and Mike Paulson expressed their support of the job Leo's did last year. Daryl will try to get Legends to come and talk to us.

**Softball update** – EWU has agreed to help put on a softball coaches clinic and also to help with umpiring.

**Keeping Score of Games and Stats in the Newspaper** – Discussed with coaches meeting.

**Pins/something for all-stars Daryl** – Tabled for next meeting.

**Missing Equipment List** – Adam Smith handed out the missing equipment list. John McCallum is going to help in getting names of players that have yet to turn in their equipment. Discussion was held on working with the city of Cheney and Medical Lake to purchase their equipment. We are not going to check out equipment this year. We are either going to buy it from the cities, or we are going to buy new from Kimmel.

**Equipment purchase/checkout protocol** – None was discussed beyond we are going to have all kids take off their uniforms at the field after their last game.

**Grants and building fields** – Jim King reported on the new City of Cheney prototype for getting fields. We have to go to a meeting on Feb 7<sup>th</sup> at the Parks Building to lobby for our fields for this year. The field use policy has been adopted by the city of Cheney. We are also going to try to go to the Parks Board meeting on Feb 3 to lobby for putting up a fence around at least one of the Salnave fields.

**Fundraiser Report** –

**Web Site Updates** – Adam Smith needs to fix the Sponsor form

**Next Meeting Date** – February 2 at Cheney High School at 6:30. People that are helping with signups don't forget, this weekend signup start.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:50

Minutes by Adam Smith and Patrick Perez