

# Minutes for October 19, 2005

6:45 PM

## **Sign in Members:**

The following Board Members signed-in; Adam Smith, Pat Perez, Chrystal Southwick, Mike Paulson, Ed Franklin, Jeff King and Tricia Dormaier.

## **Update Officers:**

Mike Paulson handed out update list to both Tricia Dormaier and Jeff King. Mike also handed out the new contact lists of the Board Members.

## **Treasurer's Update:**

Rob sent a Treasurer's report by e-mail. It was reported that we have \$1,800 in our account. We still have a few bills from Kimmel Athletics.

## **Job Description Review:**

Mike Paulson handed out the Job Descriptions sheet. Board Members are to review by the next Board Meeting. There will be discussion at that time.

## **Review Current WPLL Rules:**

- ~ Mike Paulson handed out the West plain Little League Rules to all present Board
- ~ Members. The rules were reviewed and the following changes were discussed.
  - Majors: (Item 5) change to *6 defensive innings* (from 9)
  - Majors: (Item 6) change to *2 defensive innings* (from 3)
  - Majors: (Item 8) add – 8e. *Parents are not allowed in the dugout during games.*
  - Majors: add Item 9. *Time limit for games shall not exceed 2 ½ hours*
  - AAA: (Item 9) add – e. *Parents are not allowed in the dugout during games.*
  - AA: (Item 1) change 1a. to; *Teams may meet for up to (2) practices/games per week.*
  - AA: (Item 1) change 1b. to; *1 additional practice per week is allowed.*
  - AA: (Item 1) change 1c.; *3 practices* (from 4)
  - AA: (Item 6) add - 6g. *The batting order must be continuous.*
  - AA: (Item 6) add – 6f. *There is a free substitution in the field and only 9 Players are allowed in the field during game play.*
  - AA: (Item 7) add – 7d. *Parents are not allowed in the dugout during games.*
  - AA: Add Item 9 – *Item 9; Safety balls will be used.*
  - A: (Item 1) change 1a. to; *Teams may meet for up to (2) practices/games per week.*
  - A: (Item 1) Delete Item 1b.
  - A: (Item 1) change 1c. to; *1 additional practice per week is allowed.*
  - A: (Item 5) Amend Item 5d; Add - *Absolutely no coach pitch.*
  - A: Item 6) change 6c. to; *Catcher must wear catcher gear at all time while on the field.*
- ~ It was moved/seconded and passed to adopt these rule changes.
- ~ It was tabled to discuss the stealing rules at a later meeting.
- ~ It was moved/seconded and passed not to have a run limit rule for the League.
- ~ Adam Smith will look into any new bat regulations with Little League.

***Uniforms and their collection:***

Tricia Dormaier reported that she has received a couple of uniforms, and that there still are more to collect.

***Fall Ball (Next Year):***

- ~ Adam Smith reported that we received an email from Brian Grondin ( Spokane South) thanking us for our times an efforts this fall. He also brought the possibility of having a Spring Tournament.
- ~ Adam reported that if we have fall ball next year, we will need a lot more commitment from the Board to help out. He cannot do this work alone.

***Carpooling Form:***

This was tabled until the next meeting so that Player Agent John McCallum could be included in the discussion.

***Finding Umpires:***

- ~ Jeff King reported that he would like to purchase umpire training materials from Little League. He will be getting pricing for the next meeting for possible approval.
- ~ Jeff will be looking at Fairchild A.F.B., Lions Club, Kiwanis, and Big Brothers for possible places to find umpires.
- ~ Jeff brought up possible incentives for future umpires such as gear, clothing, etc.

***Parent Survey:***

Adam Smith handed out surveys for West Plain Little League Parents. These surveys were created by James Ford. Adam would like the Board to review this survey for any possible changes at the next Board Meeting.

***Possible Parent Handout:***

Adam Smith handed out a publication from Bruce E. Brown titled "The Role of Parents in Athletics". Adam wants the Board to review this material for a possible handout to the parents of the players in our League.

***Grants and Building Field:***

- ~ Adam Smith reported that the estimate that the City of Cheney was quoted was around \$16,000 for the fences at the Salnave Fields.
- ~ Adam said that if we donate \$6,000 the City of Cheney would probably come up with the rest of the money.
- ~ There was some serious discussion, and the Board would like the City of Cheney to make some safety improvements on these fields before we commit that kind of money. Adam Smith will look into this and report on this at the next meeting.

**Next Meeting November 16, 2005 @ 6:30 PM at Cheney High School**

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Patrick Perez