

West Plains Little League

Minutes for August 27, 2008

6:40 PM

Sign in Members:

- ~ The following Board Members signed-in; Rob Beamer, Pat Perez, Chrystal Southwick, Joe Cheevers, Tricia Dormaier, Mike, Paulson, John McCallum, James Whitely, and Adam Smith.
- ~ It was moved/seconded and passed to add Amber Hughes and Curtis Wiseman to the Board

District Tournament:

- ~ Rob Beamer reported that we need more volunteers for working these tournaments. It was suggested that we have parent meetings before the All-Star Tournament and have more parents of the players be involved. It was also discussed to create committees for all of the different jobs/chores of the League.

Parent Letter:

- ~ Rob Beamer handed out a letter to distribute to the parents in our league, for the Board members to review. This letter is asking for more help for volunteers and the need for more Board members.
- ~ John McCallum felt that the point on why was a little strong. John suggested that the letter should have some job examples and tasks that we need help with.
- ~ Rob will forward the letter, with changes, to the other Board Members for approval
- ~ When approved the letter will be sent by e-mail to all of the parents.

Treasurer Updates:

- ~ Adam Smith reported that there is \$5,088.53 in WPLL's checking account
- ~ Adam Smith handed out several financial reports detailing all of the WPLL financial details for the past year.

Uniforms and Their Collection:

- ~ Adam Smith reported that he has collected all of the A uniforms and gear; all of the AA uniforms and gear, except for 1 team; all of the AAA uniform and gear, except for one team, and all of the Majors uniforms and gear, Though Adam needs to inventory Kimmel's gear.
- ~ Adam also reported that there are 19 uniforms that are still missing. Rob Beamer, Tricia Dormaier, and Joe Cheevers volunteered to help track down the uniforms. Adam Smith will forward the names and numbers of the players with the missing uniforms.

Recruiting Board Members:

- ~ There were several ideas for trying to recruit more Board Members, including the letter that was discussed earlier in the meeting. Other ideas included putting an ad in the Cheney Free Press, and approaching Civic Organizations, such as the Lions Club and the Kiwanis's Club.

Web Site:

- ~ It was suggested to add a counter to the Web site, Adam says he has one ready to insert.
- ~ Per request, Adam will add a blog to the Website. If this feature creates too much negative communication, Adam can delete the blog.
- ~ The first topic for the blog will be "How would you describe the 2008 season?"

Fall Ball:

- ~ Newly appointed Board Members Amber Hughes and Curtis Wiseman (with the assistance of James Whitey) will organize Fall Ball 2008.
- ~ Adam Smith suggested that they use the websites Sports Manager, and the Major League coaches to contact players for possible registrations.
- ~ Fall Ball will start the second week in September and go thru the middle of October.

Reflections for 2008:

- ~ Rob Beamer went over a list of concerns/comments from parents from the 2008 season. These items were;
 1. Time limit for AA baseball games
 2. Partial or re-draft of Majors baseball teams
 3. Stealing at the AAA level
 4. Coach Mentor Program
 5. Majors coaches being Board Members
 6. Ten Run Rule
 7. Coaches not playing kids, when games are shortened.
- ~ All of these items were discussed, but no action was taken on any of the items.

Next Meeting will be September 17, 2008 at Cheney High School

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Patrick Perez