



Brewster Regional
Little League
P.O. Box 476
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Minutes BRLL Board Meeting: 1/15/14

Present: Rich Kochanowicz, Ken Taber, Dave Whitney, Kristin Dash, Kevin Casey, Joe Forgione, Ted Beer, and Bruce Riley.

The meeting began at 5:30 pm.

- There was a brief summary of the clinic run the previous Sunday. Things went quite smoothly and successfully – a turnout of 46 players in all. Some concern was expressed about the lack of pitching and catching work at the clinic. Potential future clinics focused on pitching and catching were discussed.
- The BOD agreed to keep sponsorship fees the same as in 2013: \$450 for team sponsors; \$250 for Banner sponsors. Either Kristin or Liz will update the sponsorship letter and email it out. Known/potential sponsors mentioned included:
 - Majors
 - Beer- Hutchinson Roofing
 - Casey – Cranberry Landscaping
 - Blanchard – Bodystrong (?)
 - Redihan – (?)
 - Harwood – MA Olson
 - Riley – Baystate (?)
 - Minors
 - Hornberger – Pine Harbor
 - Murphy – Lost Dog (?)
 - Sturtevant – (Cape Associates?)
 - Forgione – (?) (NOT Sports Authority)

- DeWitt – Silva Const. (?)
 - Wellfleet – Seamen’s Bank (?)
- BOD agreed to keep player registration fees the same as 2013, \$110 per player. There will be a family discount for multiple players in one family: First member - \$110, 2nd - \$55, 3rd - \$35.
- Dave W. went over the safety plan. The BOD agreed with his suggestions (see plan).
- Season schedules were discussed. Start and end dates are already on the website.
 - Tentative game schedules have been made up, but Majors and Minors Execs will contact school principals to check on possible conflicts.
 - Also, Freeman’s and Gage’s fields must be leased – Rich will handle this.
 - If a scheduled game in Wellfleet needs to be rescheduled due to weather, first the involved coaches need to agree on another day and time (presumably Sunday if possible); secondly one of the coaches need to verify field availability with Becky at the Wellfleet Rec Department. If field is available on the suggested day and time, then the change needs to be emailed to Joe F., Minors Executive Director for approval.
 - In cases where make-up games and practices conflict, games must take precedence.
 - There will be **NO changing of game schedule for any reason other than weather.**
- Issues involving 3 returning players were discussed in depth and resolved with strong BOD consensus. Due to a coaching change, 2 players will be exchanged between teams. In a separate issue, Coach Casey will receive an additional 2nd round draft choice in the 2014 draft as compensation for losing a player, who will go back into the draft.
- Joe brought up the possibility of a coaching clinic led by Professor McCarthy. The BOD unanimously agreed with this idea. Joe and Dave W. will coordinate a safety and coaching clinic before the season.
- The BOD decided to put off any overhaul of the Eddy field until enquiries have been made to Brewster School Board. If the School Board is amenable, it is possible that some work may commence in fall 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, 2/12, from 5:30-7:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Riley

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