**Lower Perk Little League**

**General Board Meeting**

**May 4,2025**

**Date:** 5/04/25; Call to order 1933

**Attendants**: Matt Staffaroni, Meg Hall, Bill Keith, Matt McCarthy, Doug Ervin, Scott McCoy

Keith Bracht, Pete Snyder, Maria Craze, Rich Riccio, Paul Cincotti, Tammy Tarloski, Dan Frignito, Sam Heffron, Meg Petsko, Kate Tralbalka, Bob Oswald, Brian Freas, Chris Barberi, Mike Mahoney, Cassie Doherty, Mike Colonnello

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| **Topic** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| **Welcome** – President Matt Staffaroni | * Review of the season thus far * Continue to demonstrate the LPLL values as board members. |  |
| **Baseball Updates –** Doug Ervin | * No issues to report. * Smooth season * Paid umpires for AL & majors – going well. | * Majors division   + Strong pitchers   + Good balance of teams * NLW   + Lots of competitive games! * AL   + 4 teams total with lots of talent * Younger divisions   + Tee Ball and Pony are going well. |
| **Softball Updates –** Matt McCarthy | * Game 1 under the lights for majors was a success * 2.5 weeks until playoffs * All teams need to be clear on the rules. * Practice slots and cages are filling up- open scheduling is going well. * Rookies will have playoff this year – first year ever.   + Need to be clear on rules * Game times – need to agree.   + Need to settle on hard stop for games.   + Aim for 6 innings each.   + Focus on minimizing time in between innings to allow for complete games. | * Stop time for playoffs?   + Need to have set time stop for all games * When should the hard time stop be communicated?   + Prior to the start of the game. * Junior/senior baseball and softball teams have been doing well this past Saturday. |
| **District / Travel Team Evaluation Process-** Pete & Keith | * Executive Board Meeting 5/3 to confirm and discuss evaluations. * Evaluations and selections of teams in the next 2 weeks * Communication is important * Baseball & Softball   + Informational meeting this Wednesday at 8pm   + 2nd registration form will be used to capture interest in playing for all season, uniform numbers, and availability.   + Dates for districts   + Uniforms ordered prior to announcing teams.   + Teams announced on Memorial Day; time TBD.   + Teams will be posted to website.   + Evaluation process is listed on the website, direct those who have questions there. | * What about players that are playing up?   + Rank them compared to team they are currently on.   + Yes – can try out for both (recommend) * Coaches’ kids are not evaluated by their own coach in the final ranking * Assistant coaches are needed at the evaluation to help run drills – but will not be involved in final evaluation process. * Will need help from all division coaches to assist in process. * Continue with 10/2 model for team selection. * District team is 12; travel is 11 players * Who picks the top 10 from the rankings?   + Calculated based on coaches ranking * If parent unable to make the parent informational meeting – that does not impact your athlete’s ability to make the team. * All interested need to fill out the registration form. * If unable to attend eval – communicate with coach or email Pete Snyder(softball)/Keith Bracht (baseball) * If a player is injured and unable to attend the evaluation – player will be evaluated on prior performance. * Is administrative help needed during evals?   + Yes   + Meg and Tammy can help!   + Sign up genius coming soon. * As a reminder, evaluations are confidential and will only be seen by President and player agent. * Coaches make recommendations for assistant coaches. |
| **Ian Bonavita/ Saylor Volunteer Awards**- Doug & Matt M | * Ian Bonavita Award   + Named after Ian Bonavita who passed away.   + Great honor for an athlete who shows sportsmanship.   + Anyone can be nominated and/or win. * Saylor Volunteer Award   + 5th year for award.   + Send in nominations with little excerpt about why the person deserves the award. * Forms will be created and send out for nomination. |  |
| **End of Season Awards Ceremony**- Matt Staffaroni | * Baseball and softball together as a group * June 5th, Field 1 * Staggered start for both softball and baseball games. | * Mom of the Year Award:   + District gives out one per league   + Honored at the Banquet – October 9th |
| **Picture Day: Meg Hall** | * SNAP schedule has been made and all teams have times in TeamSnap. * If unable to make picture time, please contact SNAP for an alternate date and athletes can go to the facility in Harleysville. * Athletes are welcome to get picture taken at any point during the day. * Be mindful that SNAP photographers have scheduled breaks throughout the day that need to be honored. |  |
| **District 27 Updates - Matt S.** | * Teams Submitted   + Softball: 10, 11, and 12 international   + Baseball: 10, 11, and 12 international * 11U softball team is expected. * District 17 is having additional tournaments.   + **Baseball:**      - 9 YO Invitational       * 2 teams     - John Klein       * 2 11-12 YO teams     - Bennett       * 1 10 YO teams     - Bob Jones       * Both major BB team champion participants will play   + **Softball:**      - Major champion team will play in a similar tournament. * Hosting 10-year-old Softball Sectional 8 Tournament   + Multiple games July 5th – July 9th   + Need a tournament director – anyone interested contact Matt Staffaroni.   + Tournament director role:     - Assign roles for games (score board, score keeper, announcer)   + District runs the tournament once the games start. * Next board meeting June 1st   + Will continue to discuss districts   + Schedule will be out soon. |  |
| **Snack Stand – Meg P.** | * Proposal for last hurrah   + Kickball tournament   + Non district players can all participate 6/6   + Meg P. will organize. * Motley mashup Snack Stand Volunteers   + Coaches will organize snack stand volunteers.   + Mashup is 11- and 12-year-old baseball   + District coaches can schedule a game tool. * LPLL fee/procedures for tournaments   + When run tournament – the teams take ownership of the snack stand.   + Venmo and PayPal are included in this.   + LPLL snack stand charges a fee ($2000)     - More details to come.     - Work with Erin and Meg to pick out products prior to the tournament.     - If sell out – you are responsible for purchasing additional products.     - NO oil frying in snack stand!       * Can use your own air fryer. | * Can we move the date in the instance of makeup playoff game?   + Date is June 6th; rain date will be June 9th |
| **Snack Stand on July 4th – Matt** | * Open for the 4th; all proceeds would go to LPLL. * Run the snack stand. * Any volunteers? * Mobile snack stand from the gators |  |
| **New Business/Open Discussion** |  | * Score board/controller issues   + All controllers can be used for any field.   + Ensure controllers are returned to field 1 announcer booth and plug in. * Continue to monitor E-bikes around the complex for potential safety issues. |

Meeting adjourned: 9:00 pm

Respectively Submitted: by Meg Hall