

SIERRA FOOTHILLS LITTLE LEAGUE MEETING
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING - JANUARY 14, 2016
PLACE OF MEETING - Pizza Factory, Colfax CA

Meeting opened at 6:40.

Present: Andria Souza, Simone Elster, Chris Nave, Tracy Shanahan, Grant Fowler, Heidee Harvey, Bill Groth, Holly Krakover, Stacie McNally, Jenna Machado, Sara Holm, Laura Keller and Kim Laehle.

Chris introduced Justin Deme, the new Colfax High School, Varsity Baseball Coach. He spoke about his program, coaching philosophy and the importance of having a strong little league feeder program. He desires to improve communication with the H.S. and little league players, parents and the community. Tracy suggested a one day, affordable baseball camp at the H.S. Justin agreed and suggested that a coaches clinic also be held. Chris mentioned the importance of getting the SFLC community behind the H.S. program and vice versa. Chris advised the need for more cross over involvement between Colfax baseball and SFLC.

Chris motioned to approve last month's minutes. M/S/C

Sara read the Treasurer's report. Applegate field has already been paid for. Insurance still needs to be taken care of.

Chris gave the Board a verbal overview of the League Constitution and League Rules. He will send it out to Board members to vote on it at a later time.

Jenna reported on registration numbers. All but two registration balances are complete. There are currently five requested scholarships. Chris and Stacie discussed that a scholarship protocol be in effect for current and future recipients so meeting the scholarship criteria sustains in the future. That criteria will be discussed and voted on at a later meeting.

Bill suggested a fundraising Hit-a-Thon and asked Jenna about the legality of sharing our registration database to the program organizer of the Hit-a-thon. An outside source runs the program. (90% SFLC/10% Organizer) Holly suggested we do it mid-season. Bill moved that we do the Hit-a-thon in the 2016 season. Unanimous approval. M/S/C/

Holly brought up that our voting should be more official and an "aye, nay or abstain" be clearly represented. It was clarified that all board members can vote. Briefly discussed the voting process and quorum. Currently $\frac{1}{2}$ of the vote makes a motion pass. Stacie suggested that the

quorum be at a high percentage or $\frac{2}{3}$ vote. Holly suggested that we set our quorum at 10. Chris advised us to continue researching, adjust and eventually vote on our final voting numbers.

Grant inquired about needing the make-up Evaluation Day potentially reserved for Wednesday, January 27. It was discussed that no Board member has been notified of any player not able to make Evaluation Day on January 23rd. Heidee informed us of the organized system and plan for Evaluations and provided samples of the volunteer position signup forms. Chris motioned that in the event of rain, we move Evaluations in to the Colfax Gym on January 23, 2016. M/S/C

Jenna brought up concerns for a date to close registration for T-ball and Farm in time to get uniforms ordered and coaches ready. Stacie motioned that we set a hard date of March 15, 2016 for T-ball and Farm teams. M/S/C

Chris needs to assign a Protest Committee. Voted Stacie, Chris, Simone and Grant. M/S/C

Chris addressed Manager and Coach Selection. He read guidelines from D11 Coaches meeting. Board discussed interested Minors, Majors and Juniors Managers and being hopeful to possibly field five Majors Teams.

Baseball camp: Chris Nave, Bill Groth, Tracy Shanahan and Derrick Harvey will work the camp and it has been officially moved to the Colfax Gym B & C. Providing lunch and hats to coaches and volunteers was previously voted on and approved.

Grant discussed that Managers cannot officially have any pre-existing Assistant Coaches selected prior to finalization of Evaluations for Majors and Minors.

Simone informed Board that ARD wants field reservations now. Many think Tutor Totter should not be considered. Winchester typically can be reserved a week in advance. Chris suggested having a field maintenance day for Winchester, Colfax, and Applegate. Holly suggested to possibly reserve Meadow Vista on M-Th evenings after 5:00. Official field reservations are still to be determined as baseball schedule is not yet available.

Holly mentioned the need to schedule a First Aid meeting for Managers. Andria offered to inquire with Dr. Bixler.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13