

Lincoln Little League

Board Meeting

November 7, 2023

Minutes

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Craig Kersey at 6:06pm.
2. **Members Present:** Craig Kersey, Patrick Winters, Rachel Parks, Chris Annicella, Susanna Maldondo, Paul Vanderschrier, Amber Hawley, James Walker, Jake Hanson, Mark Amioka, Kendrick Kiefert, Lars Ronten, Noah Zaputil, Vanessa Garibay, Claudia Soto, Fabiola Balderas, Danny Kirk
3. **Members Absent:** Nidia Goodell, Jessica Howard, Kaushal Diwan, Brian Briley, Stephan Bisland, Stephanie Garcia
4. **Approve Minutes:**
There was a motion by Paul Vanderschrier with a second by Vanessa Garibay to approve the October regular meeting minutes. This was board approved.
5. **Financial Update:** Chris Annicella- Full breakdown and updates sent via email
 - a. Fall Snack Bar numbers are from 7/1 – 9/30
 - b. Fall months earned \$6685. Costs were: \$350 that went into buying product, less than \$3000 went to paying employees. Costs mentioned do not include paying umpires.
 - c. Goal for Spring Season is to use more parent volunteers in the snack bar to cut down on cost.
6. **Open Board Positions: Spread the word**
 - a. **Player Agents:** needed for T-ball, Farm, A, AA, and Majors. Player Agents review roster requests and form teams. Once teams are made, they answer questions as needed.
 - b. **Snack Bar:** to plan and prep for Spring Season
 - c. **Sponsorships:** are needed now for the Spring Season. Profitable time to get sponsors for end of year tax purposes
 - d. **Volunteer Coordinator:** helps keep track of volunteer hours
7. **Field Clean Up:**
 - a. Dugout screens will be taken down Friday 11/10 at Larry Costa and Monday 11/13 at Lincoln Crossing for the winter.

8. Core Value Training:

- a. Feedback from the board is that it was good. The presenters had good energy. The more we can share the core values and educate people on them, the better. The board recognizes that it begins with them. The board needs to model the core values first.
- b. Suggestion for training: Would have liked if the presenters shared more of the reason why we have core values.
- c. Ideas to implement, share and advertise core values include: t-shirts with values printed, print them on coaches' jerseys, add to LLL homepage, dugout signs, put banners behind backstops, business cards, added "watermark" to all paperwork, use social media to share

9. Code of Conduct Contract:

- a. Craig Kersey has a rough draft to share with board. He is looking for people to give input on final draft to be ready for Spring Season.
- b. Code of Conduct Contract would be signed by every player and parent, then kept on hand by coaches along with medical forms.
- c. The Code will include disciplinary steps and coaches will be given information on how to deliver a message of LLL's code of conduct during their training.

10. Player Assessment Planning Committee: Last weekend Jan or First weekend Feb

- a. Kyle is heading up player assessments with the help and support of Patrick and Kaushal.
- b. Needs include tables to sign in and numbers for backs of players. Any needed materials should be ordered by next month.
- c. Field needs to be decided and booked.
- d. Try outs will be divided by age.

11. Opening Day Committee

- a. Claudia Soto and Fabiola Balderas will head the committee. They request 6 additional people to help plan.
- b. Plans are to have Opening Day Ceremonies, games running all day with entertainment at the park all day for families.

12. Spring Season Numbers to Date- total players 545

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| a. T-ball | players- 124 | managers- 8 |
| b. Farm | players- 75 | managers- 4 |
| c. A | players- 73 | managers- 7 |
| d. AA | players- 106 | managers- 4 |
| e. AAA | players- 75 | managers- 5 |
| f. Majors | players- 55 | managers- 6 |
| g. Juniors | players- 37 | managers- 2 |

13. Rocklin Pony Registration Signs: Rocklin Pony President agreed to not put signs on our fields.

14. District Updates:

- a. Board Position Training (Nov 16) @ EV Cain School is for all board positions except Player Agents.
- b. Jan 11 Meeting @ St. Josephs in Auburn (President, UIC, Safety, PAs)
- c. Feb 15 Meeting @ St. Josephs in Auburn (President, UIC, Safety, PAs)
- d. May 18 Volunteer Dinner: more info to come

15. General Discussion:

- a. Jake- Franchise Framework: James Walker, Patrick Winters, and Noah Zaputil set up the framework. They will tidy up the framework and once the final registration numbers are in, it can be finalized.
 - i. Managers affected should be informed.
 - ii. The number of teams will be decided with care in hopes that Majors will not have to redraft in Spring 2025.
- b. Craig- Suggested that board has 2 meetings in January for:
 - i. Assessments/manager interviews
 - ii. Numbers for the franchise
- c. Danny- Question: How do sponsorships work?
 - i. Complete the form (ideally on paper), pricing is on LLL website
 - ii. If we let managers know that sponsorships are available, managers can let families on their team know. If a player's family owns a business, they might want to be a sponsor on their team's jersey.

16. Next Meeting: Monday, December 11, 2023, 6pm @ Lincoln Speakeasy

17. Meeting adjourned at: 8:02pm