

Lincoln Little League

Board Meeting

January 2, 2024

Minutes

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Craig Kersey at 6:11pm.
2. **Members Present:** Craig Kersey, Patrick Winters, Rachel Parks, Chris Annicella, Paul Vanderschrier, Amber Hawley, James Walker, Kaushal Diwan, Noah Zaputil, Vanessa Garibay, Fabiola Balderas
3. **Members Absent:** Susanna Maldonado, Nidia Goodell, Jessica Howard, Brian Briley, Jake Hanson, Mark Amioka, Kendrick Kiefert, Lars Ronten, Stephan Bisland, Claudia Soto, Stephanie Garcia, Danny Kirk
4. **Non-Members Present:** Kristy West
5. **Approve Minutes:**

There was a motion by Amber Hawley with a second by Vanessa Garibay to approve the December regular meeting minutes. This was board approved.
6. **Financial Update:** Chris Annicella- a more thorough financial update was sent via email
 - a. CD is due in 3 weeks. There is currently \$1600 in the account.
 - b. Chris suggested the board consider the lower registration numbers in the budget.
 - c. No current spending, but a big expense is coming when we purchase uniforms.
 - d. The biggest sources for income are sponsorships and the snack bar. A couple volunteers from the current board are going to help call old sponsors for a recommitment. Gathering new sponsors would take going to businesses and handing out a form.
 - e. LLL will donate \$1000 to each local high school baseball program. The board took a vote. This was board approved.
7. **Franchise Updates:**
 - a. The Franchise Committee is waiting on final registration numbers to set age group limits for each team on Franchise framework. Then the framework will be complete.
 - b. With James' change in schedule, Patrick will take over heading the committee.
 - c. Kaushal plans to send an email to managers describing interview process, franchise process, and disciplinary steps and actions which Kyle is finalizing.

8. Current Registration Numbers:

a.

Division	# of Players	# of Managers
T-ball	153	11
Farm	84	4
Single A	85	7
AA	121	8
AAA	90	7
Majors	80	11
Juniors	46	3

- b. Vanessa will use social media to share the need for managers. If there is still a need for more managers, the league will email volunteer coaches to see if any will step into manager positions.
- c. There are 30 AAA 11-year-olds that could potentially play in Majors.
- d. AAA, Majors, and Juniors Managers will be interviewed to earn a manager position.
- e. Safety Team will create clear guides for DOJ background checks. All volunteers working with players must have a background done before practices begin.

9. Player Assessments:

- a. Fields are booked for Saturday, January 20, 9am-2:30pm and Sunday, January 21, 9am-1pm
- b. Kaushal has a template from Kyle for the assessments. Patrick will help Kaushal run the assessments.

10. Equipment and Equipment Storage:

- a. Stephan requests that the league buy 8-10 storage racks at Home Depot to organize the equipment. This will cost about \$1200. The board took a vote. This was board approved. There will be a future coordinated effort to help with the storage racks.

11. Upcoming Dates and Events:

- a. Lincoln Little League website updated with all upcoming events including: Registration, manager selection interviews, next board meeting, assessments, draft, manager meeting, team parent meeting, practice beginning date, picture dates, Opening Day/Day on the Diamond <https://lincolnlittleleague.org/calendar>
- b. Note about picture day: Pictures this year are mandatory. It will be used as a fundraiser for the league.
- c. Opening Day/Day on the Diamond: We plan to use McBean field to host Opening Day, clear the field and immediately begin a Majors game. Plan for grilling, bounce houses, snow cones, Dunk-a-Manager, etc.
- d. January 11, 2024 there is a District 11 Meeting. It looks good to have a good showing. Plan to come if you can.

12. General Discussion:

- a. Insurance forms need to be updated and renewed once the league can declare the number of players registered.
- b. Mark will need to come up with a field clean-up day to coordinate tasks and times.
- c. Kristy West volunteered to join the board to take over social media. There was a motion by Vanessa Garibay with a second by Craig Kersey to approve Kristy. This was board approved.
- d. Vanessa Garibay will be filling the role of T-ball Player Agent. There was a motion by Paul Vanderschrier with a second by James Walker to approve Vanessa. This was board approved.
- e. There will no longer be access to free livestreaming. The league can pay for it or find another option. There will be research done to find a variety of options for a price comparison.

13. Next Meeting: Tuesday, January, 16, 2024- 6pm @ Lincoln Speakeasy

14. Meeting adjourned at: 7:18pm