



Salem Youth Baseball League Inc.  
270 Hartford Rd.  
Salem, CT 06420

## Regular Meeting Minutes

November 14<sup>th</sup> 2021

The Vice President called the Meeting to order at **1835hrs**

### **In Attendance:**

*Executive Board:* President D. Donat, Vice President J. Morrison, Secretary K. Wisniewski, Treasurer R. Little (4)

*Directors:* J. VanDusen, A. Richter, J. Hunt, E. Agathos, J. Little (via phone) (5)

*Members:* A. Lloyd (1)

### **SYBL Regular Order of Business:**

Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes:

JM motioned to approve the meeting minutes from 10/3/21 AR seconded, unanimously approved.

Treasurer Report:

See attached report provided by RL. Items to note:

- Outstanding payments still from Bozrah and Colchester
  - RL will review the outstanding payments from players. Website can hold refunds to use for future seasons and refunds for Fall 2021 are underway.
  - RL or DD will charter for the upcoming season by 1/1/22. Will not charter 50/70 until a team is confirmed.
- Report unanimously accepted.

### **Old Business:**

Winter Clinic:

- RL has the incredi-balls to use indoors.
- Pitching Mounds for Softball is \$200 and RL & JM will review the \$500 version and order them to be stored at the school for the winter sessions.
- JM motion to purchase 2 each totalling no more than \$1500, JVD seconded, unanimously approved**
- Baseball has had one practice so far and going well, Softball will begin 11/29.

Scoreboard:

- Will need to review what is currently installed in order to choose the supplier that fits the current supports.
- Will also need an electrician to review and quote.

By-Laws:

- move discussion to December meeting and meet virtually to review changes and notes in real time.
- KW to upload the files to the Google drive to keep the document live and accessible to everyone. Everyone to read and make comments before the 12/12/21 meeting.



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## **SYBL New Business**

### **Fundraising:**

#### **Basket Raffle:**

- AR & JF think the basket raffle may be too much for families to ask for donations and be the only ones buying tickets. The school basket tickets get sold to the whole town.
- Suggested to raffle off one big item like a grill / cooler / Yard Goat Tickets to be chosen on opening day.
- Sell tickets for \$10/each.
- Discussions about requiring each player to sell a certain number, but may not be possible for some families.
- Could also have local business like 2 Brothers and Salem Pharmacy have tickets to sell for residents that don't have a player in the league. Plus set up a booth outside of 2 Brothers to have players sell raffle tickets on a few evenings.

#### **Home Run Derby:**

- DD suggested an end of season Home Run Derby.
- Players would pay a fee to enter
- RL noted that TMobile and other businesses would donate for leagues that host Home Run Derbys.

#### **Fan Wear / Spirit Wear:**

- JL suggested selling SYBL fan wear and turn it into a fundraiser.
- Close the sale early enough so families could have the gear for the start of the season.
- AR noted that Salem School PTO is doing something similar and will check into the business that can supply the gear as well as assist in the fundraiser. JL will handle the marketing.

#### **Yard Goats Salem Day:**

- JM suggested the league pick a game to attend and sell tickets as a fundraiser.
- Last season the BB Minors Player Pitch team went to a game and were even able to run the bases after the game. There is seating in the outfield that could include food and drinks (if allowed with Covid).
- JM will get the flyers and contact info for JF/AR

### **Sponsorship:**

- Letters will go out in mid-February.
- JF/AR requested that the forms get sent to one person, NOT town hall. RL suggested that he receive all correspondence and will get the appropriate letters to JF/AR.

### **Spring Registration:**

- MUST close no later than 3/13/22 in order to set team count for division scheduling.
- “Discounted” price if registrations come in by that date and an upcharge for late registrations.
- JL noted that the process for Background checks needs to be reviewed to ensure we are following LL rules. JL & DD will review for December Meeting.

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**Winter Cleanup:**

- All Dugouts and sheds need to be cleaned out and mounds covered and take down all banners.
- Will also assess the current Softball scoreboard size to determine best choice for replacement
- AL & JVD noted there are still mice in the Softball shed. DD or RL to talk with public works about traps

**Meeting at 9:30am on Saturday 11/20**

**Agenda Items for next meeting:**

- Spring Registration Fees & Dates
- Background Check Process
- Volunteer Registration for minors
- By-Law Revisions

**Next meeting is the Annual Meeting on 12/12/21 at 530 via Zoom.**

**JVD motioned for Adjournment, KW seconded.  
Adjournment @ 2028hrs**