



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

Regular Meeting Minutes - Virtual

May 1st, 2022

Meeting was called to order at **6:30pm**

In Attendance:

Executive Board: President J. Morrison, Secretary K. Wisniewski, Treasurer R. Little (3)

Directors: D. West, J. Hunt, H. Gerrish, J. Little, P. Maziarz (5)

Members: A. Maziarz (1)

Guests: A. Christian (1)

Regular Order of Business:

-HG motioned to accept the minutes from the regular meeting on 4/10/22,

*JL noted one correction regarding the amount of background checks. We are not nearly at the limit, but if we get a large influx of more volunteers for concessions we may get close. 125 is the limit. KW will make the correction.

-JM 2nd the motion to accept the minutes with the above correction, unanimously approved.

Correspondence:

-Messages from JF regarding the Yardgoats fundraiser. Currently approximately 140 tickets have been sold and she is confirming if we can have more than the original 120 tickets that we were promised.

-There is also a misspelling issue with the Andersen Oil uniforms that JF notified HG about. HG notified Sportees and is waiting to hear back on the options.

Treasurer Report:

-Minimal income this month from sponsors and fundraising, significant expenses this month for the electrician, equipment, supplies and cash for umpires. See attached Treasurer report from RL.

-RL will connect with JF and JM in the next week or so to collect the cash and checks from the Yardgoats fundraiser.

-All Managers that will have umpires have been given money to pay the umpires and signed off on receipt of funds. Dave Donat has been given half of the money for the season to the large sum required for Senior division.

-Bozrah invoice of \$750 is still unpaid, has been updated and they have been reminded.

-RL has a draft of the monthly status that he will send out, if there are questions or changes to formatting we can discuss.

-YTD income is higher than anticipated, but it does have to cover us through the fall and winter.



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Old Business:

Uniforms:

- There are still a few items missing and on backorder. HG anticipates an invoice next week and will provide to RL.

Game / Practice Schedule Discussions:

- Calendar is updated and accessible for all managers, concessions and EA for Umpires.
 - *Kevin Fennell approached PM at concessions on Opening Day about being an Umpire. KW to get his information to EA to get him set up.
- Public Works approached HG about making sure softball puts the plugs in the bases after each game / practice. KW guarantees that every plug is in every time. Either the mower or the rakes behind the mower are pulling the plugs out. JM to talk to them about hand raking around the bases, 1st and 3rd especially. KW will talk to JVD and AL about having the Majors SB players take a bigger roll in maintain the field similar to the Majors BB players.

Opening Day – was a success

- Mandie Lee's Website with pictures to purchase is up, KW will get the link to send out.
- JM would also like to get the picture of Joan and Art printed and framed for them.
- JM noted that the First Selectmen commented on the large Recreation Department Budget and his support of the SYBL. Large scale items for the future - indoor batting cages

Concessions:

- PM noted that during Opening Day they made \$366
- Plan to be open every week night and Saturdays pending weather.
- could use more volunteers, but should be covered this week.
- PM will connect with RL regularly to give him the excess cash.
- JL gave PM a list of approved background checked volunteers, any other volunteers PM will ensure they register and complete a background check.

New Business:

Summer Camps:

- JM reached out to For the Love of the Game to see the status of enrollment in Salem and as of a couple weeks ago there were 10 kids. There may be a minimum number of registrations for them to hold the camp.
- HG suggested a raffle through us to the rec department for a kid to win a registration at the summer camp. Something fun, guess how many jelly beans in the jar at concessions.
 - JM will reach out to Agnes, if Rec won't we will
- KW will reach out to Colchester schools as well to put the flyer in their schools too, to get more interest.



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Social Media:

- JM asked JL to send a bulk email to the managers and coaches to take pictures of games and send them in to be uploaded to the FB page and website.
 - JL agreed, but will need to include a warning that it is the coaches responsibility to ensure that the photos do not include any of children that parents had refused permission to use the childs photo in social media.
- Also requested JL make posts to thank the several companies that assisted in Opening Day (Pizza Truck, Mandie Lee, MTD Electrical, etc.) JM will provide any other names.

Equipment / Med Kits:

- All Med kits have been distributed.
- KW to confirm that JVD was able to find a set of catchers gear for softball.

Miscellaneous:

- Yardgoats Fundraiser- See notes in Correspondence section. Fundraiser will bring in \$700 at 140 tickets sold, and will be a fun day for the kids.
- Port-a-johns are finally in, but don't have sanitizer / soap. Per town they are to be cleaned 2x/week, and should be refilled then. JH noted that the two units near the softball field are in the parking lot and face the parking lot. JM to talk with Agnes to have them moved onto the grass and face the fields so not a safety issue.
- JM discussed the option of moving the pitching mound up for the PP baseball division after the last game had one inning last over an hour of mostly walks. It was agreed that the mound stay where it is, and the boys will grow into it as all past players have.
- JM asked about an end of season movie night at the ball field. Rent an inflatable screen, see if the pizza truck could come again. Possibly a Friday night in June. JM will look into it, look at the dates and get back to the board.
- Status update on the spirit wear from JF & AR, would a small option, short turnaround be possible?
- RL updated the data center as required.
- JM reached out to Lyme / Old Lyme about the potential about combining for a 8,9,10 BB All-star team and has not heard back yet.

Agenda Items for next meeting:

All Stars
Summer Camps

Next meeting is the to be held in person on 6/12/22 at 6:30pm
KW motioned for adjournment, AC seconded, unanimously approved
Adjournment at 729pm

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