



California 4 Little League



Ted Boet, District Administrator

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Little League - Intermediate League - Junior League - Senior League - Big League - Challenger Division

2013 September Meeting Minutes

Meeting To Order: 7:30 PM, September 17th, 2013, Farm Bureau Office, Clayton.

League Attendance: Alameda, Albany, Antioch, Clayton Valley, Concord American, East County, Martinez, North/South Oakland, Pinole Hercules, and Richmond

Public Address:

- Nothing to report

Reports:

Ted Boet - District Administrator

- This year is the Diamond Jubilee, 75th, for Little League.
- Recap of Tournament Season
 - Complaints
 - last minute drop outs from Leagues for both TOCs and All-Stars.
 - A couple of managers were ejected
 - Oakland won the Baseball Summer Classic.
- Lewis Cup Top 5 Leagues
 - 5th place: East County/South Oakland
 - 4th place: North Oakland
 - 3rd place: Antioch
 - 2nd place: Concord American
 - 1st place: Martinez
- 2014 Lewis Cup – handout was given, Ted will email out
 - 1st place team will receive \$1,000 off of next Regular Season's dues.
- All All-Star paperwork was returned
 - Next year – if player comes back to play All-Stars, league should already have paperwork for player
 - If District Staff has to look at previously approved player paperwork, league will be charged \$5
 - If DA has to reprint previously approved player paperwork, league will be charged \$5 (per player)
- Travel fund was used this past tournament season, \$2,500 – Antioch Senior Softball went to Montana
 - Travel fund down from \$3,000 to \$500
 - It will need to be built back up
- Big AI Clinic
 - Will try to schedule it more for early February to hopefully get more Managers and Coaches to attend

Geoffrey Shiu - ADA

- Tournaments went very well over the Summer
 - Training meetings for TDs and staff proved to be effective.
- New Boards
 - Presidents appoint managers, coaches, and umpires, then Board approves appointments.
- Little League Insurance
 - If not using LL Insurance, be sure it covers all aspects of Leagues: umpires, travel, etc, and take note of the effective dates.

- Little League Insurance is valid from 1/1 – 12/31
- Data Center
 - Presidents, update League Information for those members on your Board who may receive information from LL
- Audits and Budgets due in October to Ted
- Fall Ball
 - Regular season Managers and Coaches are okay, new one need to complete a background check, must be appointed by President, and approved by Board.
 - Once Background is complete, Blackout SS#.
 - Recommend keeping any FLAG backgrounds to reference for future years.
- Regular Season Training dates in Newsletter
 - New Directors & Officers should definitely attend
 - Veteran directors & officers encouraged to attend
- Western Region news
 - Region Director position vacant.
 - Clinic Registration will open October 1st, 2013
 - Space may be limited, recommend you register ASAP.
 - Expect only on e Umpire school this year
 - February 8-14, 2014.
- District 4 and Leagues contact information only 90% updated.
 - Please email Geoff asap with the most current information.
 - Please keep information current, especially if league is going to partake in Interleague.
 - Contact information is for OFFICIAL Little League business only
- Any concerns on Rules and Regulations please send them to Ted to take with to Little League Congress
- Vendors Night
 - Please encourage Board members to attend
 - Auxillary is a key member to attend
- District meetings are open to all Board members who would like to attend.
 - Make sure your league is represented

Don Waddell - Chief Umpire

- 75th year of Little League
- Umpires covered over 700 games during Tournament play
- Primary role of District Staff is to train
- There will be 2 Rules Clinics – dates in newsletter
 - East and West
 - Softball rules, instruction night
- District Mechanics Program
 - Outreach clinics
 - If leagues hold their own clinics, District staff would like to know – possibly update information
- Youth Umpires – 12-17
 - Training staff wants to hold a rules and mechanics clinic
- Rules
 - Follow all the rules from the beginning of the season make it easier to follow the rules during post-season.

Cary Dyer - Safety Officer

- ASAP due by 12/31 for points in Lewis Cup
- ASAP requirement #15 - Mandatory
 - Rosters must be electronically submitted
 - Does not have to be perfect, just all the names in an excel would suffice
- ASAPs must be submitted to Cary in hard copy form, soft copy can be included

Don Mayjoffo - Little League Baseball ADA

- If Presidents can't attend, send someone else from their Board
- Safety rules need to be followed by all leagues in the District
 - Batting without helmets, coaches warming up pitchers, not okay
- Internet – look at it everyday
- Will be making an effort to attend games at all League facilities, will wear District gear so everyone knows who he is

Ralph Garrow – 50'70' Baseball ADA

- District held a meeting to discuss teenage baseball
 - Possible 50'70' for 13 year olds, or split 50'70'/Junior season
 - There are leagues who want to interleague for 50'70'
- There will be a second meeting about teenage baseball
 - The goal is to keep older players in the league

David Preuss - Junior / Senior / Big League ADA

- Some leagues discussed making Junior Baseball 80' bases instead of 90'
- Will be sending a survey out in regards to older baseball
 - Please complete and send in asap
- Would like to get High School involved in the program
 - Reach out to JVs and have them be the Senior team
 - If enough teams join there could be a "second half of the season" through July
- Bug League – depends on if High schools play

Carla Moore - Softball ADA

- Important dates
 - 2/4 Tuesday @ 7:00 UC Extension building for all Softball Reps
 - bring the number of teams your league will have to discuss interleagueing
 - 2/23 Sunday @ 10:00 UC Extension building for Softball Scheduling
 - Please send scheduler
 - Meeting will last until everything is completed
 - 3/4 Tuesday @ 7:00 UC Extension building Manager meeting
 - Recap of rules - rules haven't changed much
 - 5/3 & 4 Saturday and Sunday Location TBD Mid Season Classic for Senior Softball
 - Depending on amount of teams involved, games may start night before under lights

Fred Flint - Challenger ADA

Not Present

Alan Hatcher - Special Projects ADA

- Challenger program is the most rewarding program
 - One issue – players join and stay for life
 - Becomes a safety issue with skill level and size difference
- Looking to restructure the Challenger Division
 - Fred and Alan will work on possibly splitting Challenger into 2 divisions – major and minor?

Lysa Hale - Special Projects ADA

- Nothing to report

Comments:

- Next meeting, Tuesday October 15th at John Swett Elementary – 4955 Alhambra Valley Road, Martinez, at 7:00 pm – VENDORS NIGHT

Meeting Adjourned: 9:38 PM