



California 4 Little League



Ted Boet, District Administrator

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

2015 September Meeting Minutes

Meeting to Order: 7:00 September 15th, Farm Bureau Office, Concord.

League Attendance: Albany, Alameda, Antioch, Concord American, Continental, East County, Lafayette, NO/SOLL, Martinez, Pinole Hercules, and Walnut Creek

Public Address:

- Nothing to report

Reports:

Ted Boet - District Administrator

- New President for Continental is Steve Harris
- Ralph Garrow stepped down and Dave Preuss will be taking over all of Big Diamond Baseball
- 2015 RECAP
 - Baseball – increased 10 teams
 - Softball – increased 6 teams
 - Post Season Umpire assignments D4 very lucky – 4 umpires who travelled
- Every Little League tournament will have Challenger exhibition games
 - Goal is to have a team from District 4 go to Oregon this post season
- Umpire Recognition/Thank you dinner is scheduled for 10/10
 - Mark Bernstein from Western Region will be in attendance
- Returned All-Star paperwork
 - Mistakes are marked
- D4 has over 2000 players in All-Star database
- School Locations need to be marked on League maps (if school enrollment used as residency)
- School Enrollment form or report card showing 1st quarter grades
 - School name must be on card
- All meetings prior to March are 7:30 and 8:00 after March
- Lots of Good in 2015
 - Another softball tournament
 - NO/SOLL SR BBall made it to Wester Region
 - Challenger Jamboree was a success
 - Alameda now has lights – D4 night games
- Some Bad in 2015
 - Verification day not as smooth
 - Lots of teams added and dropped for tournaments
 - Get ASAPS in sooner
 - 100% turned in, just not on time
- Concerns
 - Watch your fees and the amounts your families are paying to play
- Merging training meetings
 - In November just Presidents/VPs and Chief Umpires meeting

- Will share ideas from leagues
- If league has 50'70' try to provide a good field
- Lewis Cup
 - Some changes for 2016
 - More points for attending D4 meetings
 - More points for attending Vendor's night
 - More points for attending Tournament Director meeting
 - No limit on Umpire or hosting tournament points
 - Physical description of boundary now required on league's map
 - (1) 4 rough boundaries
 - 2016 LEWIS CUP WINNERS
 - 6 – Albany
 - 5 – Lafayette
 - 4 – Martinez
 - 3 – Clayton \$250
 - 2 – Pinole Hercules \$500
 - 1 - Concord American \$1,000

Geoffrey Shiu - ADA

- Thank you to all of the leagues for hosting tournament games in the 2015 post season
- Little League Data Center needs to be updated by 09/30/2015
 - Very important for all the new board members
- Manager and coaches are not automatic returns
- 2015 appointments terminate after the last regular/tournament season game.
- The Board cannot have a majority of managers or coaches
- Training and Development (Fall Ball)
 - No additional charter fees....2015 insurance still in effect
 - No minimum number of players
 - Appoint managers and coaches
 - Players may move up to the next season division
 - Have players bring a friend/classmate to next practice (potential player)
 - Opportunity to recruit new volunteers (backgrounds needed)
 - Register with headquarters all non-regular season players
- Non Little League Insurance
 - Make sure your volunteers are fully covered (snackbar, directors, coaches, managers, umpires)
- Little league Awards Programs
 - Seriously think about volunteers that should have been nominated
 - Award winners and a guest will be provided with round-trip transportation and hotel accommodations at the LLBBWS
- Western Region Conference
 - Seattle, WA
 - Contact Ted Boet with your questions and concerns
- Tournament Teams Pin Exchange
 - Players exchange pins at Opening Ceremony
 - 8*15=120
- Key League Directors
 - Safety, Chief Umpires, Information Officer, Tournament Team Director

Don Waddell - Chief Umpire

- Handed out a sheet on 2015 post season umpire stats
- Every league participated with umpires in tournament play – OUTSTANDING!
- Thank you NO/SOLL for all of their umpires
- Dates for the 2016 season are still not set, but will be available soon
- Little League University is coming soon
 - Training my change a bit

Cary Dyer - Safety Officer

- Not present

Don Mayjoffo - Little League Baseball ADA

- Needs points of contact for all leagues' baseball staff
- Is willing to attend any league's board meetings to contribute where he can
 - Just invite him

David Preuss – Big Diamond Baseball ADA

- Before the vendors meeting (@ 7:00) will meet with all of the Big Diamond Reps to discuss league numbers
- 2/4 Big Diamond Baseball meeting (on calendar)
- Jr mania tournament will happen again
- Possible 50'70' tournament this year.

Carla Moore - Softball ADA

- Softball dates for this season are already on the set schedule
 - 5 key dates
- Will work on separating leagues for interleague play by skill, to better align for competition
- Possible combine leagues for All-Star Play
 - Can have up to 3 leagues in an All-Star Tournament team
- Queen of the Diamond and Senior Mid Season Classics will happen again, locations not determined

Fred Flint - Challenger ADA

- 2015 Recap
 - 28 challenger teams
 - 1st year of Senior Challenger play – 7 teams, very successful program
 - WC has another year of Major play (for players with higher skill of play)
 - Jamboree was well attended
- Will contact all of the Challenger VPs about upcoming season
- If your league needs any help with Challenger Program, let Fred know

Alan Hatcher - Special Projects ADA

- Not Present

Valerie Potts - Secretary

- Nothing to report

Comments:

- Next meeting – Vendor's Night @ Boys and Girls Club in Martinez October 20th

Meeting Adjourned: 9:16 PM