

## **WHYBA Meeting Minutes**

### **2/23/2022**

**Attendees:** TJ Stevens, Misse Toth, Marcus Rannalli, Scott Bodenschatz, John Toth, Joseph Matarazzo, Ryan Lance, Mike Amorosi, Matt Olson, R.J. Sherman

**Officially Called To Order:** TJ Stevens started the meeting at 6:06pm

**Main Topics Discussed:** Vacant President Spot—Sarah Politano has stepped down as President for medical reasons, VP TJ Stevens was voted in as the new President

#### **Public Comment:**

**TJ Steven President's Report:** Will attend the District 20 meeting on Sunday night (will schedule majors there); briefly spoke about slight changes in Little League rules— everyone has to play in majors, time changes; spoke about emails w/ Ryan from parents who need to be switched from tball to rookie, etc. and a \$90 credit to Robin P. from the previous year; voted on date for Somerset Patriots fundraiser/game night—June 11th 7pm w/fireworks (May 15th WH HS has their game @ Patriots Stadium); discussed opening day for April 23rd at either Meadow Breeze or Boro Park, then games to follow; need to discuss/set up coaching classes with John Sands

**Vice President's Report:** \*RJ Sherman was nominated and voted in as the new Vice President\* Little League website needs to be updated with new President and VP

**Misse Toth Secretary's Report:** Contacted child care centers in the area to have them share our registration flyer with their parents, will create flyers for Player Evaluation, Umpires Wanted, Field Clean Up, Opening Day, need to create letter to hand out with booklets for fundraiser and letter for coaches to give to parents for tickets for Somerset Patriots Game June 11th

**Marcus Ranalli Treasurer's Report:** \$24,000 in account; Mike has the new debit card; Marcus has all documents to open new account, but waiting until after registration

**Scott Bodenschatz Equipment Manager's Report:** suggested extending registration until March 11th as they had 30% register after end date; will need to order some baseballs and maybe need more tball equipment if we have large amount of tball sign ups; brought up about 15 year olds playing with juniors last yr if not enough for senior level, only 7 in junior level right now, 36 last yr

**John Toth Field Manager's Report:** Will fill out field use applications and submit with insurance information; need to send out to Meadow Breeze a month in advance—Scott B will forward copy of MB's field use app from previous to John; Field Day Clean Up scheduled for Saturdays March 19th and 26th—fields to clean to be determined— perhaps reach out to the high school or middle school in case students need volunteer credits, fields need to be ready for practices starting ~April 1st; need to order Port-A-Johns for fields—at least 1 at every field (Franklin, Oxford— 2 fields, Mansfield—needs possibly 2 if using major field, Boro) so 5 or 6 needed.

#### **Scott Bartlett Safety Coordinator's Report:**

**Joey Matarazzo Umpire Coordinator's Report:** Needs schedule sooner the better; umpires are needed; mentioned a cash payment instead of slips; this year needs to be better communicated with coaches about game time frames (i.e. pitcher warmups); would like to do an Umpire Clinic for any new umpires

**Ryan Lance IT Report:** Will check into email for parents who need to switch from tball to rookie, etc.

**John Sands Coaches Coordinator's Report:** TJ to talk to John about Rutgers Class and CPR for coaches

**Jamie Carzima Uniform Coordinator's Report:** Scott B. reminded that Jerseys need at least a 4 wk timeline so should be ordered ~ March 19th; used Destination Athlete; TJ to reach out to Jamie; Scott will look into SpiritWear as they would need to be ordered soon to have them for the start of the season

**Mike Amorosi Player Agent's Report:** Player Assessments will be March 5th @ Middle School—Minors Last Names Starting with A-L 10-11:30am, M-Z 11:30-1pm, March 12th @ High School—Majors Last Names Starting with A-L 12-1:30pm, M-Z 1:30-3pm, March 13th will be team selection, adults must be the evaluators, high school students to help with players, Middle school we need to bring the batting cage; Majors have 3 head coaches and a lot of assistant coaches, but look like they will have 4 teams; **UPDATE ON FUNDRAISER:** 200 books should be in 2/24—need date to announce winner, must be done in township, sell tickets at Slug Fest

**Matt Olson Fundraising and Sponsorship's Report:** Banner from previous yrs are in park garage; new banners from Banners.com; Dan Kozelnik has 44 new banners and will be at the next board meeting; TJ to get Matt ~40 printed copies of fundraiser flyers

#### **Calendar of Events:**

Registration Closes—February 28th, Hard Close March 11th

Next Meeting—March 9th @ 7:30-9:00pm

Player Assessments—March 5th and 12th

Team Assignments—Week of March 13th

Opening Day— April 23rd

Slug Fest— June 4th @Meadow Breeze Park; Rain Date June 5th

Somerset Patriots Game Fundraiser— June 11th