LAMSALeominster Adult Mixed Softball Association



Meeting Minutes from March 14, 2013

I. **Opening:** 6:30 - (Delayed due to Pre-Registration Night)

II. Roll Call

- a. **Members Present:** Rocco Warren, Chuck Gemma, Vic Blanchard, Jake Richard, Joe Hasselman, Danny Troche, Tyrone Arce, Lori Beaudoin, Ryan Pelecchia and Roman Ferguson.
- b. Members Absent: Charlie Arce and Rob Daniels

III. Important Dates

a. Ryan mentioned the distribution or forthcoming distribution of an e-mail to coaches emphasizing the important date for the upcoming season.

These dates to also be placed on the website.

IV. Field Prep/Spring Cleanup

- a. Phase 2 of the field repairs was discussed. The company that is to do the job is currently in Florida working on a project. When they return and weather permits drainage and sod issues on the fields will be addressed.
- b. Also discussed jobs that the prisoners could perform when they come to help out for field clean-up week including painting/staining the stands, potential roofs for the dugouts, trimming back trees and other items.

V. Ken Bergeron/Snack Shack

- a. Ken will return for 2013, rent free.
- b. Rent is in lieu of Natalie's providing food for the annual banquet.
- c. Ken will reimburse the league \$25 a month for electricity at the stand and will pay half of the water bill for the shack, which includes the bathrooms.

VI. Radios

a. Discussed the benefit for on-duty board members to be able to communicate between fields during games in the events. Board voted unanimously to purchase portable radios to be used by scorekeepers and on-duty board members. Cost of radios will be approximately \$159. Motion was brought to the Board by Danny and seconded by Joe.

VII. Registration Night

- a. Discussed Board of Director responsibilities for registration night.
- b. Registration will take place from 6:00-7:00.
- c. Rocco and Vic will handle payments
- d. Ryan and Joe will go over scheduling.
- e. Division Placement Committee changes were made. Don Carter will not be able to fulfill the role and the position was voted for by the Board and

- was replaced, by vote of 9-0, by Bernie Linencamper (umpire). Motion was brought to the Board by Lori and seconded by Danny.
- f. Joe will also work on mass producing line-up cards and scoresheets for teams to use during the season.

VIII. Fundraisers

a. Some ideas for fundraisers were tossed around. Danny mentioned a Sports Trivia Fundraiser and Lori a cornhole fundraiser. Cornhole has proved to be very successful. Locations were tossed around for the cornhole tournament. Table for discussion at a later meeting.

IX. Duty Night Responsibilities

a. Ryan to create a "Code of Conduct" for Board members who are on-duty.

X. Infraction Punishments for Board Members

- a. Danny brought up the topic of punishments for Board members who violation the league rules.
- b. Discussion was lengthy and based upon Board members being held to a higher standard than the league.
- c. Board agreed that actions that occur on the field of play are indicative of sportsmanship and the playing of a game and members, while being held to a higher standard, should not be punished more so than a player not on the Board of Directors.
- d. It was agreed that behavior by a Board of Director and repeated infractions could result in harsher punishment and potential removal from the Board.

XI. Co-Ed Division:

- a. Some roster submissions were made and players on rosters in this division include some very capable hitters.
- b. The idea of changing/creating a rule that only allows male batters to swing a singlewall/wooden bat was mentioned and discussed. This would benefit all involved and will allow the opportunity for upper division players, within reason, to play in this division. Singlewall bats do not perform as composite and doublewall bats. Female players would still be able to swing what they desired. Lori to discuss with the coaches in this division before registration.

XII. Division Placement

a. Was discussed and coaches wanting to get an idea as to where they will be slotted on Registration Night can contact the Board for an idea as to where they will be slotted.

XIII. Closing: 8:40