



**Eastlake Little League
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, Nov 6, 2019, 6:30 – 8pm
Blackwell Elementary School - Library**

Call to Order

Nicole Steinbok

Members Present: Nicole Steinbok, Matt Olson, Tyler Borup, Justin Stiles, Sarah Maynard, Sumner Prock, Toby Conen, Jenna Kass, Aaron Glade, Kam Rausch, Mike Chapman, Adam Emiliusen, Gabe Stoment, Tracy Militello, Jason Gill, Ryan Iraola

Challenger presentation

Andrew Ahn & Alex Ahn

The Ahn family presented a proposal to begin a Challenger league with ELL. Various board member support to help Andrew get this going in the next year or two.

2020 Budget Review\Approval

Sumner Prock

Reviewed the 2020 projected budget which assumes a flat (to last year) registration budget. With this assumption we are running at a \$25K loss. Sponsorships and donations decreased significantly since FY2017. Board members expressed a desire to have some analysis completed to better understand the total cost for a player at each level to help us determine what we can afford and should budget moving forward. Proposal to decrease registration revenue budget by 10% and add projected \$7500 to sponsorships and \$2500 to donation lines. The motion passed.

Approve Oct Meeting Minutes (approved)

Sarah Maynard

Remaining intros (if any)

Registration Report

Ajay Jagannathan

39 baseball registrations so far (as of Nov 5) and 13 softball registrations.

Marketing Plan & Update

Nate Reno

We paid for Sammamish banner (over 228th) for month of November. Its not yet posted. Nicole to follow up with former Marketing officer to see if he has it. Nate needs help with Peachjar. Jenna will help drive the ELL school day efforts. Interest in also recruiting volunteers thru other channels. Nicole to follow up and send out the 1-pager with the sponsorship levels and info for the Board to drive sponsorships.

Scheduling Competitive Baseball

Justin Stiles

Motion proposed: Do we want to schedule around select tournaments for coast and majors teams? The motion passed. Next steps are to form a committee: Matt Olson, Jason Gill and Ryan Iraola, Justin Stiles and Kam Rausch will form the committee. The committee will have a recommendation no later than the next board meeting.

Procurement plans

Gabe Stoment, Matt Olson, Carmen Zaffarano, Tracy Militello, Ryan Iraola

- At each level + All Stars what does each player and coach get.
- How much does it cost per player\coach? [Procurement details spreadsheet](#).

Revise\approve ELL Constitution and ELL Local Rules –

- Constitution is approved as is.
- Proposed rule change: G. Mercy Rule
 - **Current rule:** There shall be a run limit of five (5) runs per inning for Minor League play, i.e., AAA and Coast.
 - **Update to:** There shall be a run limit of five (5) runs per inning for Minor League play, i.e., AAA and Coast. Unlimited runs for the 6th inning, for baseball AAA and Coast.
 - Changes approved by majority Board vote.
- Proposed rule change: C District 9 Baseball Tournament Teams – section P
 - **Current rule:** Manager's, Coaches' Sons: The tournament team Manager's son is automatically eligible to be placed on the tournament team. The assistant Coaches' sons are eligible if they meet the voting requirements noted above.
 - **Proposed Rule Change:** Manager's, Coaches' Children: The tournament team Manager's *children* are automatically eligible to be placed on the tournament team. The assistant Coaches' *children* are eligible if they meet the voting requirements noted above.
 - Changes approved by majority Board vote.
- Proposed rule additions -
 - AAA Rule Proposal 1: Changes approved by majority Board vote.
 - No stealing home.
 - Only stealing 1 base even if catcher over throws.
 - Only stealing on passed ball.
 - Runners can only advance 1 base on overthrows. ie. If there's an over throw to 1st Base and the runner advances to 2nd, fielder throws to second and over throw. Runner must stay.
 - AAA Rule Proposal 1A: Changes approved by majority Board vote.
 - Once the ball is in the infield, controlled by any player, there will be no more advancing bases and runners must return to the base their coming from unless they're already committed towards the next base. Runner may not "bait" a fielder into making an errant throw.
 - AAA Rule Proposal 2: Changes approved by majority Board vote.
 - At the AAA level, standings won't be kept. YET will be based on a random draw 2 game pool play and then single elimination tournament based on pool play results. All team guaranteed 2-3 Playoff games depending on the number of teams and schedule/field availability.
 - AAA Rule Proposal 3: Changes approved by majority Board vote.
 - First half of the season only, if a player is walked by kid pitching, a coach from the batting team will finish the at bat as pitcher. Batter will retain the strikes in the count and can still strike out.