

Willingboro Little League Baseball

Coaches Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2009

Call to order

President, Nathaniel Anderson called to order the regular meeting of the Willingboro Little League Baseball Coaches at 7:23 pm on 1/28/09 in JFK Recreation Center in Willingboro New Jersey.

Roll call

Kasheema WC Payne Sr. conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: President-Nathaniel Anderson, VP- Dennis Tunstall and Treasurer- Tracey McGlaughin

Approval of minutes from last meeting

Kasheema WC Payne Sr. read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Sportstagraphy

Eric from Sportstagraphy was in attendance to discuss his company and let us know that his company could more than handle our picture needs for the league.

Some of the key points from this discussion were that they offer the "Fat Head" type of pictures of our players and they will offer back a percentage of all persons paying for pictures to the league. The percentage can be increased but the effect would be an increase in the price of the packages that parents would have to purchase.

Any monies being returned to WBLL should be received by us no later than 30 days from date of Picture Night.

The turn-a-round time for pictures to be delivered back to WBLL is 14 days from Picture Night.

Budget Report

The funds taken in from registration in weeks one were \$1700.00 and in week two they were \$400.00. We paid the printing company \$280.00 for services rendered.

Committee Report

Equipment – Dave Shine reports that the equipment condition is fair except for the catchers' equipment. He will check the price to repair the motors this coming week and an update will be provided at the next meeting.

Uniforms – Nathaniel Anderson spoke with Torrey Wilson on his status with the uniforms. He states that we now have the books to choose what style and prices. Another report will be given on this topic at the next meeting.

Web – Vincent Gilliam states that the WBLL web page is almost completed. The first page to be posted within 1 week. Meeting Minutes are available from the last meeting on the website. There will also be a variety of drills and skill videos to access from the WBLL website very soon. There will be an updated report at the next meeting.

Windscreens – There were two companies who have returned quotes to my responses for windscreens. Hoover Fence Company proposes a price of \$2479.42 and Cover Sports has issued us a price of \$2137.15 No company has been decided upon and I am currently trying to negotiate a lower price with Hoover Fence Co. An updated report will be given at then next meeting.

Unfinished Business

a) Unfilled Positions – There are still a number of positions that remain unfilled within our organization. Anyone who wishes to step-up as a Commissioner, Concession Stand Manager and other positions as well need to say so by the March 4, 2009 meeting. If no one decides to fill these positions the board will then take on the roles that need to be filled.

Coach Pitch – There was a debate on whether we should take our rookie level from machine pitch to coach pitch. So far the discussion has halted at a 50/50 split between the two. Coach pitch will be beneficial to our players to help them actually see a baseball coming from an arm rather than just a machine. Some leagues in other surrounding towns use coach pitch and if we are going to participate in tournaments then we need to prepare for such. No further debate was given on this matter. A final discussion and vote will possibly take place at the March 4, 2009 coaches meeting.

New Business

a) Sponsors – We need to find more sponsors to help us take care of the upcoming season and beyond. Anyone who knows someone who works for Verizon please contact Dennis Tunstall, there is a program that Verizon offers that donates \$750.00 to local charities. We can always use help from whoever is willing.

b) New Concession Stand Project – Nathaniel Anderson has been talking to his sources within the Township and a number of different sponsors about building a new concession stand at our game field. This project is to be completed in the next 3-5 years if not sooner. We all appreciate the effort that Nat has given to this project and look forward to its completion.

c) Protected Players – The deadline to register protected players is March 7, 2009. If a player is listed on a coaches list as protected and has not registered by the deadline will enter the draft with the unprotected players.

d) Dues - As we discussed in our last meeting, our coaches dues this year have increased to \$20.00 and any coach who has not paid their dues will not be able to choose the uniform design for their team.

Adjournment

Kasheema Payne adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Kasheema WC Payne Sr.

Minutes approved by: