



MEETING MINUTES – December 2021

DATE: 12-14-21

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: ARCF Church

MINUTE DETAILS

I. Roll Call: Called to order 6:00 p.m.

A. **Directors in Attendance (Total Directors = 18):** Robert Olivas, Richard Poppert Jr., Joie Tollestrup, Manny Galvan, Will Winks, Sam Correa, Dan Gomez, Jerry “Garsh” Garcia, Tahoe Arbogast, Rosalind Olivas, Michelle Johnson, Jose Ibarra, Eric Andrade

B. **Directors in Attendance via ZOOM:** NONE

C. **Directors not in Attendance:** Courtney McConnell, Reyna Weikert, Kristina Gomez, Pat Brock, Juan Montano

II. Review of Previous Minutes – APPROVED = 1st Michelle Johnson – 2nd Richard Poppert Jr.

III. Review of Financials – APPROVED – N/A

IV. Review of Annual Budget – N/A

- A. Need to separate Snack bar and Fan Fare fees. Currently they are lumped together on the report (they should be separated for us to better understanding of how much we are spending/receiving for each).
- B. Need to review how much is being spent on snack bar items and how much we are charging for each item.
- C. Budget to be updated before Directors approve it. Finance Committee to meet and discuss and will update to be reviewed/approved at our next board meeting

V. Agenda items requested = NONE

VI. Board Discussion – OLD Business –

- A. In-Person Registration Night – November 16th – was a great turn out! We had a few sign-ups, but mainly families came to submit their registration forms and get their players birth certificates “D-5 approved”. Per District 5, we had the best turn out they’d been so far this winter!
- B. 1st (and possibly last) Annual Turkey Bowl - on Thanksgiving Day many of our Board Members met at Madera to play a friendly game of Football. All made it out alive, but there were many injured. All in all, it was a great way to celebrate Thanksgiving with family and friends! This is likely the start of a new CHLL tradition!
- C. Coach Clinic – December 4th - our Coaching Committee held a winter Coach Clinic. It was a great turn out, just about all Managers and Coaches were in attendance!
- D. Winter Clinic - December 11th – we had a great turn out! Probably our best Winter Clinic yet! Players in all divisions showed up and were ready to play ball!
- E. District 5 – Interleague Meeting -
 - 1. District 5 invited a few selected Presidents from leagues with our District to discuss rules for this upcoming Spring 2022 season. Robert had the honor of being one of those Presidents selected!!
 - 2. Robert will update the board once D-5 sends out the recap. The biggest changes made are.....
 - a) There will no longer be supplemental “in-house” or “home field” rules. All rules will stay the same across the district.
 - b) For the Minor Divisions and above, there will no longer be a “5 Run Rule”. This will help prepare players for tournament rules.

F. ADOPT A FAMILY –

1. This Christmas season Citrus Heights Little League adopted a family in need to help provide them with toys and other items needed. There was an error at the CHPD office, and we were not notified about our adopted family. Michelle called for status and found out we had less than 48 hours to purchase items and deliver them to the police department. She went out and purchased everything needed within 24 hours and had it delivered on time!!
2. Richard and Garsh motioned to approve that the league reimburses Michelle her **\$500.32**.
3. **The Board Voted, it was unanimous = all in favor to reimburse Michelle.**

VII. **Board Discussion – NEW Business –**

A. Westwood Park:

1. Richard and Robert met with Sunrise Parks & Rec and the 2 other affiliates that share the field at Westwood Park, to talk about sharing the field.
2. One of the affiliates currently using this field is extremely hard to work with. We will need to be able to work with them if we decide to move forward with using this field.
3. These are their requirements and requests for us to share their field:
 - a) Our assigned days and times to use the Field would be - Mondays (from 5 PM to 8 PM, Wednesdays (from 3 PM to 5 PM), and Saturdays from 8 AM to 12 PM).
 - b) Any equipment/supplies needed to store at the field would need to be locked in the scoreboard. We would not be able use the conex placed at the field to store any equipment.
 - c) The lights at the filed need to be fixed/replaced, the estimated cost is approx. \$75,000. All 3 affiliates using the field would be expected to help pay to fix/replace the lights.
 - d) Snack bar use was not discussed at this time.
4. Board has decided not to move forward with sharing Westwood at this time. Richard to meet with Sunrise P&R and affiliates on a later date if/when we decided to move forward.

B. Constitution Approval Pending:

1. D-5 is still reviewing all Constitutions/Bylaws. Ours has not been approved yet.

C. Manager/Coach Meeting - Coaching Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 30, 2021. Please refer and potential Managers/Coaches to Dan ASAP. Rookie and Minor Managers and Coaches are needed

D. 2nd "In-Person Registration Night - is scheduled for Thursday, December 16, 2021. D-5 will be in attendance to review and approve player birth certificates.

E. Evaluations – are coming up fast! They are scheduled for January 8th and January 15th at Madera Park (if the weather permits it). All Board Members are expected to be in attendance to help (snack bar, registration table, on the field, bouncers, etc.).

F. Player Draft – scheduled for the week of January 17th.

1. Board discussed holding off on drafting teams to allow late sign-ups. Players would still be on the field practicing (practices would be held like our clinics with all players on the field). This would also allow coaches to evaluate players more closely (and help the upper division coaches when they draft teams).
2. Board has agreed to keep it scheduled for January 17th.

G. CHLL Events - We still need to schedule some of our big event days and get them on the calendar ASAP, so families know well in advance.

1. **Hit-a-thon and Picture day will be on April 23rd, 2022**
2. Roz will look into photographers for Picture Day.

VIII. REGISTRATION UPDATE –

- A. As of today (12-14-21), we have 69 registered players.
- B. Typically, we get most of our sign-ups after January 1st and into February.
- C. Auxiliary Committee will deliver more fliers to schools after winter break.

IX. COACHING COMMITTEE UPDATE -

- A. As of today (12-14-21), we have 69 registered players.
- B. Typically, we get most of our sign-ups after January 1st and into February.
- C. Auxiliary Committee will deliver a second wave of fliers to schools after winter break.

X. SPONSORSHIP UPDATE –

- A. We need to hit the ground running! Everyone on the board can/should help get Sponsors.
- B. Auxiliary Committee has split up the 2021 sponsor list and will reach out to past sponsors about sponsoring this upcoming season.
- C. The Auxiliary Committee will help Eric with the Sponsorship Coordinator position. We need to assign members to help in these areas:
 - 1. Keep a list of all current Sponsors = Joie
 - 2. Order all sponsor banners (team banners and field banners) = TBD
 - 3. Weekly Facebook posts (thanking and promoting sponsors) = TBD
- D. Board to discuss further; do we want to add company names on jerseys (if so, for which divisions?).
- E. Board to discuss further; should we sell sections of fences surrounding our fields (for sponsors to hang their banners)?
- F. Our Sponsorship request forms, and information are available on our website, CitrusHeightsLL.com for anyone to download and share.

XI. SAFETY UPDATE –

- A. Sam has updated the 2022 ASAP Plan, and started submitting to the Little League Data Center (it cannot be fully completed until registration is closed).
- B. Sam is also working on submitting the background checks that we've received so far.
- C. Live Scan:
 - 1. A new law passed, that will be enforced starting January 1, 2022 – all volunteers working directly with players must be fingerprinted before they are allowed on the field. This includes Managers, Coaches, Team Reps, Board Members, and Umpires.
 - 2. Manny and Sam are working together to make sure all required volunteers are fingerprinted/approved ASAP.
 - 3. Manny has reached out to a local company that will work directly with our league and give us a discount on Live Scan. We will schedule a day/time to gather as many volunteers as possible to have them fingerprinted all at once. Volunteers can also go to this company's Live Scan place of business if they're unable to make it on this day.
 - 4. Live Scan costs approx. \$40 per person for this type of fingerprinting. This is a cost that the league will need to pay for this year. Next year we need to include this in our registration fees.
 - 5. Joie is submitting the "Application for Authorization" with the California Department of Justice (CDOJ) for the league. Approval can take a few weeks from the state, we need to get these going ASAP.

II. B&G UPDATE -

- A. We need to get paint from Sunrise Parks and Rec (green, yellow, off-white) to touch up all Parks.

- B. Benches, scoreboxes, snack bar, all need fresh paint. Typically, this is taken care of on our Field Clean up days.
- C. Tahoe and Juan working to finish building the Batting Cages.
- D. Dirt Needed for all fields.
- E. Chalk needed for all fields.
- F. Madera:
 - 1. There's a leak in the women's bathroom – Robert to reach out to Sunrise Park & Rec.
 - 2. We need batteries for mowers.
- G. McDonald:
 - 1. Security Lights to be installed at McDonald Field – Eric to look into.

III. EQUIPMENT UPDATE –

- A. Garsh and Juan took inventory on all equipment and have cleaned out Garsh's office.
- B. We are all set for equipment other than needing baseballs for the Junior division.

XII. GOOD & WELFARE OF THE LEAGUE –

- A. Keep up the good work and the positivity!!
- B. We have an amazing group of people on our Board of Directors!! Our differences, perspectives, and ability to have discussions while treating each other with the utmost respect is what makes us great! Keep up great work everyone!

XIII. OPEN DISCUSSION –

- A. Dan suggested "Throw Back" uniforms (for All Stars, Fall Ball, etc.)!
- B. Dan would also like us to host another Winter Player Clinic on January 1st. This would not be a mandatory clinic, anyone that wants to help would be greatly appreciated. Please reach out to Dan for more info!
- C. Communication is key!! We need to make sure we are over communicating with our families. Auxiliary Team will be making "Parent Folders", mainly for the younger divisions and new families. These will be handed out at our "Parent Night" and/or "Division Team Meetings". Please reach out to Roz with any specific information that you believe is imperative for families to know (i.e., volunteering is mandatory, what to expect during the season, etc.).
- D. DICKS Sporting Goods is one of our sponsors, they provide us with equipment, coupons, and cash donations, baseballs, and much more every year. They have "discounted weekends" for our league as well. Joie to reach out to our DICKS contact to set up a discount weekend for once teams are formed, to help families get the rest of their uniforms and/or any other equipment needed.

Meeting adjourned: 7:22 p.m.