



MEETING MINUTES – February 2022

DATE: 2-8-22

TIME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: Horizon Community Church

MINUTE DETAILS

I. Roll Call: Called to order 6:43 p.m.

A. **Directors in Attendance (Total Directors = 16):** Robert Olivas, Richard Poppert Jr., Joie Tollestrup, Courtney McConnell, Manny Galvan, Will Winks, Dan Gomez, Jerry “Garsh” Garcia, Tahoe Arbogast, Rosalind Olivas, Michelle Johnson, Jose Ibarra, Eric Andrade

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

II. Directors not in Attendance: Sam Correa, Reyna Weikert, Eric Andrade

III. Review of Previous Minutes – APPROVED = 1st Richard – 2nd Courtney – No Objection

IV. Review of Financials – N/A – Need to Review and Approve ASAP

V. Review of Annual Budget – APPROVED – 1st Robert Olivas – 2nd Michelle Johnson – No Objection

VI. FINANCIAL UPDATE -

- A. Itemize Financials; start setting assigned specific amount from fundraiser earnings to start saving for lights. (*Financial Committee to meet and discuss what amount/percentage that will be*).
- B. Each Committee has a specific amount they are allotted to spend without needed BOD approval. (*Financial Committee to meet and discuss what amount/percentage that will be*).

VII. Agenda items requested =

A. **Emily Millard** (from Horizon Church) - would like to join the Board of Directors.

1. Michelle motioned to approve Emily
2. Dan – 2nd the motion
3. No Objection - All voted in favor for Emily Millard to join the Board of Directors

B. **Blanca Holland** (has been with the league for several years) - would like to join the Board of Directors

1. Dan motioned to approve Blanca
2. Richard – 2nd the motion
3. No Objection - All voted in favor for Blanca Holland to join the Board of Directors.

VIII. Board Discussion – OLD Business –

A. Finish Batting Cages at McDonald Field – Tahoe and Juan to finish up batting cages.

B. Branch at McDonald field to be removed – Tahoe to remove the branch

C. 2nd Player Evaluation (January 15th) – was a success!

D. Draft Week (week of January 17th) - All Teams have been formed. Working on formed a 4th Minor team, we have 3 late sign ups from the “Elenore Fuller Foundation” that must be placed.

E. Team Meetings (January 26th thru 28th)– we well. The concept was great, it cut down on having a full week of meetings into 3 days, Board members were available to help answer questions and keep everyone on the same page. Next season we should do it on a Saturday at Madera (we could knock out all teams in one day). McDonald Field is loud and too small for the number of families attending the meetings.

F. Umpire Clinic (January 22nd) – was great, almost all coaches were in attendance. We should do it during a scrimmage next time for more hands-on training.

- G. Equipment Pick-up (January 29th) – Not all teams showed up for Equipment pick up. We had to run equipment to many teams. Every team should have equipment now.
- H. Score Keeping Class (February 5th) – We had an amazing number of attendees for the class! However, the next class needs to be a “sandlot” type scrimmage where we gather random players, so the class isn’t taken over. There were too many non-scorekeepers at the field for the class to be as effective as it should. McDonald is very loud, even with the microphone it was hard to hear the instructors over the traffic and families cheering. The scrimmage started before the class was ready to begin (instructors didn’t get the chance to go over any rules for scorekeepers, write down team line-ups, etc.). We were unable to stop the game and have teams run specific plays to show score keepers. We can also host an indoor class as a follow up class to help scorekeepers as well. Roz to talk to Mack about helping to instruct the class. Kirsten did a great job and was very well prepared but was extremely overwhelmed.
- I. Positive Coaching Alliance Class (February 5th) – Was hosted by D-5. The first half of the class they went over all Rules. It was long but extremely important that volunteer coaches understand. The 2nd half was the PCA speaker _____ - he was an amazing speaker and helped teach coaches how important their role is a Coach and how to give positive criticism for all types of players.
- J. Constitution, Standing Rules and ASAP Plan - have been APPROVED by D-5.

IX. Board Discussion – NEW Business –

- A. Games & Inter-leaguings
 - 1. Juniors – D-5 will create game schedule
 - 2. Majors – D-5 will create game schedule
 - 3. Minors – Possibly interleague with Sunrise only
 - 4. Rookie - Possibly interleague with Sunrise only
 - 5. T-Ball – in house or possibly interleague with Sunrise only
- B. Live Scan – We are still waiting to hear back from the DOJ. We will keep moving forward until we hear back from the DOJ.
- C. Practice schedules may change slightly once Game schedules are completed. Manny will send out a new schedule once available.
- D. Manny is working with other leagues to perfect Game schedules. He will send out schedules as soon as they’re complete.

X. UPCOMING EVENTS –

- A. Field Clean-up Day #1 – (2-12-22)
- B. Mandatory Safety Meeting – (2-24-22)
- C. Field Clean-up Day #2 – (3-5-22)
- D. Opening Day – (3-12-22)
- E. Rubio's Fundraiser – (3-27-22)
- F. Picture Day / Hit-a-thon – (4-23-22)

XI. REGISTRATION UPDATE –

- A. As of today (2-8-22), we have 201 registered players.
- B. We will leave the registration signs up for now; we need a few more Junior and Minor players.
- C. Talk to D-5 about possible boundary change. There are 9 leagues within D-5; when was the last time boundary lines were assessed?

- D. Foothill Little League is on their own. We will ask if they would like to possibly merge with us. They typically interleague with us every year – we could help each other.
- E. We need to make changes for next season. Since we've closed registration on January 16th, we've had over 3 teams worth of players sign-up (going on 4+ teams with the 4th Minor team being assembled). We need to keep teams smaller, order a couple extra uniforms for each team and find more Managers to allow for late sign ups.
- F. 50/70 Team being formed – Josh Tollestrup to Manager and Dan Gomez to assist. We need to reach out to get more players ASAP. 50/70 games typically start the 3rd week in March. Joie to work on getting the team formed ASAP and get shirt sizes to Tahoe and Courtney as fast as possible. We need to get Jersey's ordered ASAP!
- G. Joie will send reports to all Team Reps to help assist with collecting any missing registration documentation, then she will focus on clearing all Minor, Major and Junior players for Allstars.

XII. RULES COMMITTEE UPDATE -

- A. Rules Committee to work on finalizing rules for Round Robin Tournaments. Managers must be notified before tournament of any rule changes.
- B. We will host a Rules Clinic before Round Robin to notify Managers of all tournament rules.
- C. Rookie, Minors, Majors and Juniors will participate in Round Robin Tournament.
- D. Discuss Allstar draft – do we need to make changes?

XIII. COACHING COMMITTEE UPDATE –

- A. Coaching Committee to host another Coach Clinic soon. Dan reaching out to Richie Kimm. Look into the possibilities of another instructor to host Clinic.
- B. Coach Kattie was having communication issues is late to practice regularly. Dan, Richard, Reyna and Joie met with the team and talked to Kattie. She is going to work on these issues, we'll check back in with the team next week.
- C. We need to follow up with the T-Ball Marlins to make sure everything is going well.
- D. Dan to check in with all Managers to make sure everyone is doing ok. We need Managers and Coaches to know they have our full support!
- E. Dan has been in contact with Richie Kimm to schedule a coaching and/or player clinic. He is extremely and will schedule when he can.
- F. Manny has been working with Designated Hitter, scheduling clinics for our league. He will continue to work with them.
- G. We would also like to work with our local High Schools (Mesa, San Juan), these are great role models for our players!!

XIV. UMPIRE COMMITTEE UPDATE –

- A. Umpires during the season - we must communicate with Managers that only Minors Majors and Juniors will have paid umpires. Each upper division team will be scheduled to Umpire the Rookie games. Will and Manny to work on the Umpire schedule once the game schedule comes out.
- B. Umpire Clinic to be scheduled soon – We will use the Rookie division to scrimmage for this clinic – Will to schedule. Managers/Coaches in the Rookie division and up should attend.

XV. SPONSORSHIP UPDATE –

- A. As of right now we have 5 or 6 sponsors. We need to keep reaching out to local businesses!
- B. Courtney to check and see if we've received any new sponsor payments.
- C. Joie to keep a current list of all sponsors.
- D. Emily will stay on top of ordering sponsor banners.

XVI. SAFETY UPDATE –

- A. Live Scan - We are still waiting to hear back from the DOJ. We will keep moving forward until we hear back from the DOJ.
- B. CHLL is the first league to complete their ASAP Plan – great job Sam!
- C. Sam to prepare for Mandatory Coach Safety Meeting. All coaches and Managers must attend or send a representative for their team at the very least.

I. AUXILIARY COMMITTEE UPDATE –

- A. Auxiliary Committee to meet soon, we have a lot of events coming up. We need to get planning!
- B. Snack Bar training will be this Saturday (2-12-22) at 10:00 am at Madera. We need to send out an email to the league ASAP.
- C. Roz will reach out to Photographer; she's working on getting quotes and information from a few different photographers.
- D. Opening Day is coming up fast! This is one of our biggest events, we will need all hands-on deck!
- E. River Cats Little League Day – Michelle to reach out to River Cats regarding tickets for the league (previous contact is Derek – ph# 916-367-4674. This is a great team bonding event! All leagues walk the field together (each tea, walks together). Families and friends are invited as well, it's always a great time!

II. B&G UPDATE –

- A. Field Clean-up Day coming up on February 12th:
 - 1. Mound on Garsh Field needs to be fixed
 - 2. Bottom section of fence needs to be removed at Garsh Field
 - 3. Bleachers, dugouts and snack bars need a fresh coat of paint.
 - 4. The homeless typically disburse once Baseball season starts. We need to make sure we're checking the fields, dugouts, bathrooms, etc. for paraphernalia left at the parks.
 - 5. Clean up signs
 - 6. Finish batting cages
 - 7. Paper towel dispensers to be hung at McDonald
 - 8. Security lights to be installed
- B. Richard working on a list of all tasks that need to be completed before the season officially starts. Our B&G crew has done a great job taking care of our parks year-round!
- C. Practices will be cancelled for our 2nd Field Clean up day on March 5th.
- D. Robert will order Chalker's, Chalk, Dirt, Absorbent, etc.

III. UNIFORM UPDATE –

- A. Uniforms should be in soon' expected February 25th or by March 1st.
- B. Uniforms look amazing, they get better and better every year! Great Job Tahoe, Garsh and Courtney!

IV. EQUIPMENT UPDATE –

- A. Shin guards have been ordered!

XVII. GOOD & WELFARE OF THE LEAGUE –

- A. This season is Garsh's 52nd year with Citrus Heights Little League!! He has been on the BOD for 25 years!!
- B. Dan suggests that we have a BOD BBQ at the end of the season and/or once a month. We have a great group of Board Members – this will help keep up the great moral!!
- C. Keep up the good work and the positivity!!

XVIII. OPEN DISCUSSION –

- A. We need to talk to our neighbors around McDonald Field about putting up field lights. We still have a while before we're ready, but we need an idea of what we are up against (if anything).
- B. Trevor Jackson may be able to install field lights once we are ready!
- C. **Meeting adjourned: 8:33p.m.**