



## CITRUS HEIGHTS LITTLE LEAGUE

## MINUTES – January 2024

DATE: 1-9-24

TIME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: Foundation Church

### MINUTES

- 1) **Roll Call: Called to order 6:37 p.m.**
- 2) **Directors in Attendance** (Total Directors = 18): Tahoe Arbogast, Dan Gomez, Joie Tollestrup, Alicia O’Callaghan, Jessica Luna, Courtney Pearson, Robert Olivas, Tony King, Jerry “Garsh” Garcia, Nico Cobleigh, Trevor Jackson, Desiree Apgar, Summer King, Eddy Cobleigh
- 3) **Directors in Attendance via GROUPME VIDEO:** N/A
- 4) **Directors NOT in Attendance:** Cory Techau, Tammy Hill, Mahriel Sumulong, Brian Ortega
- 5) **Guest Members in Attendance:** N/A
- 6) **Review of Previous Minutes = APPROVED = 1<sup>st</sup> Courtney – 2<sup>nd</sup> Desiree**
- 7) **Review of Financials = APPROVED = 1<sup>st</sup> Robert – 2<sup>nd</sup> Alicia**
- 8) **Agenda Items Requested =**
  - a. Richie Kimm to host Player Clinic = **Richie changed clinic date to Sunday, February 10th.** B&G Committee to work on fields/parks. Joie & Tammy working on flyer – Need to market clinic (only 40 players).
  - b. Volunteer Applications – Have been completed by all BOD in attendance of tonight’s meeting.
  - c. Mahriel Sumulong & Brian Ortega – We still haven’t heard from them. Many of us have reached out, but no one has received a response back. BOD talked about removing them from the Board at this time, if/when they get back to us and want to join back in – they are more than welcome!
    - 1) Motioned for removal = Robert / 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion = Desiree / **VOTED = ALL IN FAVOR**
  - d. Send “wish list” to Courtney ASAP – **Deadline to send is January 15th.**
- 9) **Important Dates Coming Soon / Calendar List –**
  - a. Evaluations = (January 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>)
  - b. Draft / Team Formation = (week of January 21<sup>st</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>)
  - c. Parent Night = (January 31<sup>st</sup>)
  - d. Memorial Bench Installation for “John Bridges” @McDonald Field = (February 2<sup>nd</sup>)
  - e. Memorial Bench Luncheon for “John Bridges” = (February 3<sup>rd</sup>)
  - f. DATE CHANGE – Opening Day = NOW (March 9<sup>th</sup>)
- 10) **Board Discussion – OLD Business –**
  - a. McDonald Field Fire/Damage - On December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, a fire was set at McDonald field. There is significant damage to the back stop, fence, score box, dugouts, snack bar front doors, electrical by score booth, electrical by score box, trash everywhere, etc.
  - b. McDonald Field Repairs – The damage is much worse than we originally thought. It’s not just something we can patch up and paint over (some of it is). There are still repairs needed on the outfield fence, that was set of fire last year! What is being done??.....
    - 1) Story/damage posted on our Facebook page – it has been spreading like wildfire, and getting a lot of attention from the community, hopefully it’s enough for us to get some help!!

- 2) “GoFundMe” page started & posted on our Facebook page – it has also spread like wildfire. We’ve gotten quite a few donations already (funds and volunteer help)!!!
  - a) *As of today (1-14-24), we’ve raised \$2,345 through the “GoFundMe” page!!*
- 3) Sunrise Park & Rec will pay for repairs – they will submit an insurance claim or pay out of their budget. However, it’s up to us to get bids approved and complete the repairs.

**11) Board Discussion – NEW Business –**

- a. SAFETY OFFICER APPOINTED - Robert Olivas!!
  - 1) Tahoe = motioned / Desiree = 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion = **VOTED – ALL IN FAVOR**
    - a) Sorry Roz!!!! 😞
    - b) Alicia and Joie will help when needed!
- b. BOARD POSITIONS THAT NEED TO BE FILLED!! Everyone - please be on the lookout to recruit Directors and Committee Members!
  - 1) Treasurer – MANDATORY position!! We now also have a CPA helping with our books!
  - 2) Auxiliary Managers (McDonald) – We should have 2 Auxiliary Managers at EACH snack bar, to help share the work. *Michelle and Valerie will take care of McDonald snack bar if we cannot find more Aux Managers.*
  - 3) B&G Keeper - MCDONALD – This field needs the most help right now.
  - 4) Volunteer Coordinator
- c. EVALUATIONS (January 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>) –
  - 1) May need to POSTPONE this weekend (1-13-24) – it’s supposed to rain most of the day. We’ll keep an eye on the rain and let the league know on Friday if evals are postponed.
  - 2) Nico & other B&G crew – will be out at Madera prepping the field (if it’s not too wet).
  - 3) Player Agents and Registration Committee – VERY IMPORTANT to make sure players attend the proper division for evaluations. Even if they want to move up/down. They need to be evaluated with other players their “league age”.
- d. SPONSOR PACKAGES UPDATED (again) - **APPROVED – VOTED = ALL IN FAVOR**
- e. DISTRICT-5 JANUARY MEETING - Little League Int. has 2 major changes coming up in 2025…….
  - 1) All players “league age 4-8” will be allowed to choose the Little League they want to play in, regardless of where they live or go to school. More info to come as we get closer.
  - 2) Also in 2025, ALL leagues MUST change their websites over to “PLAYER CONNECT”. We will also get more info on this as we get closer to 2025.

**12) Financial Committee UPDATE –**

- a. As of today, (1-9-24) we have \$8,784.96 in our account.
- b. Need a Treasurer (needed ASAP).
- c. CPA will be filing our taxes for us this year.
- d. **Need a Budget approved ASAP!**
- e. Tahoe & Courtney working on bids for McDonald’s damage repairs.

**13) Player Agent & Registration UPDATE –**

- a. As of today, (1-9-24) we have 77 enrollments.
- b. Continue pushing Spring registration. Courtney and Cory to reach out to players from last spring/fall that haven’t signed up yet.

- c. Families that are out of our boundary MUST be advised that their player is ineligible for All Stars. They MUST ALSO sign a waiver stating they understand and agree to stay. Joie has created this waiver.

**14) Auxiliary UPDATE –**

- a. Desiree & Summer getting the Madera snack bar ready for spring.
- b. Joie will check with Michelle and Valerie about getting the McDonald snack bar ready. The Auxiliary committee can get together and clean out snack bar also, if needed.
- c. “Parish Pest Control” is one of our sponsors. They come out and spray our snack bars and any other area needed. They will make extra stops if needed, we just need to reach out to them. Need to get contact info over to the Auxiliary Managers.

**15) Sponsor UPDATE –**

- a. Trevor working on getting sponsors. We should all email him with any leads – please send info to [Sponors@CitrusHeightsLL.com](mailto:Sponors@CitrusHeightsLL.com) Any “team” sponsors that want their company name on the back of our jersey, need to get payment/info in ASAP!!
- b. Cory is working on contacting previous sponsors, he’ll be sending out emails this weekend.
- c. We need to reach out “Parish Pest Control”. It’s been a while since anyone has spoken to them. We need to make sure they still want to be a sponsor, and what do they expect from us?
- d. Trevor to reach out to our DICKS Sporting Goods representative. Joie to send Trevor his contact info.

**16) Coaching UPDATE –**

- a. Tony working on getting Managers for spring. Please send and leads to [Coaches@CitrusHeightsLL.com](mailto:Coaches@CitrusHeightsLL.com)
- b. Courtney reached out to Manny V. to see if he’s planning to come back this Spring! He’s unsure but will let us know.

**17) Uniform UPDATE –**

- a. *UNIFORM BIDS* - Courtney and Robert emailed their uniform bids to the Board, please review if you haven’t already.
- b. Do we have anymore bids? Do we want to get anymore?
- c. BOD needs to vote on which company to use ASAP, so Courtney can order as soon as teams are formed!

**18) B&G UPDATE –**

- a. Committee meeting on Thursday & Friday to get fields prepped for Evaluations and ready for Spring.
- b. Cory is working on getting a bid for dirt.
- c. Does Richie Kimm still want to help us get dirt donated? Dan to follow up with him.

**19) Good & Welfare of the League –**

- a. We still need to recruit more volunteers!!! We need snack bar help, field help, coach help, etc. The more volunteers we have, the easier it is on everyone.
- b. Desiree has a couple people in mind for the Auxiliary Committee, she’s working on recruiting them!!

**20) Open Discussion –**

- a. A Memorial Bench is being installed at McDonald field on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, in honor of a past coach of CHLL, “John Bridges”. All of us, current CHLL Board of Directors, should attend in his honor. Courtney will get us more details ASAP.

**Meeting adjourned: 7:37 PM**