



APTOS LITTLE LEAGUE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA
September 10th, 2020 7:30pm
Zoom Video Conference

- 1) Call to Order: 7:31pm
 - a) Executive Board members present
Erik Cormier, Ericka Bermudez, Brian Dudley, Soren Bjorn, Mark Florez,
Dave McGillicuddy, Brad Williams
 - b) General Board members present: Nick Tanza, Brian Pieracci, Fausto
Romero, Will Meyer
 - c) Guests present:

- 2) Approval of Minutes- Motion to approve last month's meeting minutes put to floor. Minutes approved by virtual show of hand.

- 3) Changes to Agenda

- 4) New & Open items
 - a) President's Meeting updates from Erik. Meeting held on 09-09-2020. All other local District 39 Leagues are concerned about financial and field availability for their own league. Erik presented ALL's update on its current status.
Regarding Fall Ball this year. None of the other leagues are participating on any baseball activities (clinics and or fall ball or any coordinated event). Santa Cruz LL President reached out to SC city. Good feed back from them. Cohort guidance from state. Here in SC County there is the requirement to obtain and get approval for instructional clinics. Also, a request for approval had to be submitted to the local health department and they have to approve the request before any organized clinic and or event is held. Parks and Rec also have to approve this as well if their fields are to be used. Cohorts / groups of no more than 14 participants (players) and 2 supervising adults per groups. Instructional clinics are ok as long as they are not interacting with



other cohorts. A mandatory 6 feet or more distance per player along with masks are required. Shared equipment has to be cleaned.

Expectations and goals is to fully play next 2021 Spring Season. Maybe in the beginning of January if all goes well and no set back Aptos Little League maybe organize a practice run for the safety of all ALL members. Kids, Coaches, parents, volunteers.

The 2021 All Star Tournament will probably not be hosted by Aptos Little League.

b) Fall Ball options

- i) Reached out to Parks & Rec. They said yes. Credit from the 2020 Spring Season could be applied towards the Fall Ball Season. Polo fields could be available. There is a new facilities manager within school district. Joe Dominguez has moved on.
- ii) Richard Reid, new PVUSD Director of Maintenance & Facilities Management. He is engaging and willing to support of youth organizations. Fields may be accessed in October. Need a plan, structure, guidance and safety measures to be provided in order to be able to access the fields. Junior High fields can be opened / accessed in October. This is good. Things are looking promising and in good shape to play in 2021 in January and the Spring Season.

(a) AJHS fields Field maintenance needed

- (2) Fall Ball Clinic proposed during last month's meeting by John Bergh & Soren Bjorn. Update from Soren. After consideration and looking into it, it would require a lot of work and time to write and present the documents necessary to get the approvals needed. A lot of work for a limited benefit. So our recommendation to pull together instructional series for the Fall season of 2020 is to put it on ice and focus on 2021 Spring season.
- (3) Due Dates for signing documents needed to start preparing for 2021 Sprig Season. October 1st signed all charters and insurances. Ball rolling in about three weeks for the Spring 2021 season.



iii) AJHS field & structure improvements per PVUSD. Inspection came to the Junior High Fields a few years ago. There were some non-compliance ADA structures reported to the school district. School district is recommending we do changes. Increase height in dug out. Remove white arch between the two fields. Put concrete slabs under both bleachers. This year our goal is to initiate to do some of these items. Meetings with Adam Benley and he is a contractor with a son in our league and is willing to help. He will put together a quote to give oversight on work. He will need parent volunteers to move bleachers, dig out wholes before he can pour the concrete. Everything has to be compliant to size of bleachers (Installing concrete slabs under each bleacher set, bolted each down, wheelchair accessible areas for Majors/AAA). Update of cost next meeting. Tyler French owns Las Animas Concrete and they will donate the concrete. John Paul Bergh has offered his crew as well to help.

Other work that needs to be done are the slabs on the back of the Majors' field as well as wheel chair accessibility in both fields.

iv) PVUSD approval? DSA approval?

c) New field maintenance equipment- Scott Lassen (Home Depot) he could help in-field dirt weed remover (a sod cutter) and infield grass hedger.

i) Infield dirt weed remover & infield grass edger. Do we purchase a new home plates, new rubbers? Any other ideas? Let's vote next year on different expenses and priorities.

d) Starting to get ready for Spring 2021- 'the plan is to PLAY'

i) Updating waiver & registration form. At the president's meeting it was reminded that waivers are not legally binding in state of CA. But we need to have a strong waiver to weed out all parents who are not comfortable yet to play and come back to the field. Reimbursement of cancellation / refund policy also needs to be amended and updated.

ii) Erik's experience at 12U baseball tournament in UT over Labor Day weekend. Travel ball team. 20 teams in 12U division, 14 and 16U division. Other states are playing baseball. Some safety precaution but not as many. CA is only state with cohort guidance's restricting youth from playing sports.



iii) Aptos Junior High will be painting Red Fire Lane so everyone knows NOT to park and block the entrance to the fields. By Rich Moran.

iv) Fausto – following up on what to do with the uniforms he still has for 5 different teams from the 2020 Spring season. The commissioners were reached out to but have not heard anything back from them.

5. Info Officer Update

6. District Update

7. Treasurer Update

a. Mark Florez update on current financial status of the league
Financial snap shot of where we are. Thank you to Steve Allen. LL is looking ok but need to head into Spring 2021 with caution. Income is 30% down. Cost of goods was also down. We only had partial fundraising. Caution: The future has a lot of costs / upgrades required to meet County requirements. We don't know what the expenses will be next year. Expect registration will be down next year. Sponsorships may also be down next year. We need to be cautious. No revenue from the Snack Shack from the 2020 Season as well as fewer fundraising has put us on a cautionary road. On Fundraising notes. Is it better to get team sponsors to go to league sponsor vs team sponsorship. Could the money go to the league instead of the teams?

Participation what will that look like? How much backlash will the league get from not getting refunds. The majority of people asked for credit or donations. Only a minority of people asked for their money back. But we still don't know what registration will look like next Spring.

8. Fundraising Manager Update

9. Field Manager Update

Trying to mow the fields as much as possible. Need help with this. Grass is high. Will need a field day.

10. Equipment Update



- 11.UIC Update- David will be attending USC meeting in October.
- 12.Safety Officer Update- Are Safety Kits stocked and stored at each field?
There are four kits ready to go. Brad will submit cost reimbursement to Mark.
- 13.Snack Shack & Score Booth Update
- 14.Commissioner Update
- 15.Appointment of Executive Committee
- 16.Adjourn /Next Meeting Meeting adjourn: 8:19
Next meeting scheduled for Thursday October 8th @ 7:30pm via Zoom.