

# Schuylkill Valley Youth Baseball

## July 2019 - Meeting Minutes

**Date:** July 10, 2019

**Time:** 6:00pm - Meeting at Leesport fields

**Members:** Anthony Foscone (President) ✓ Jason Gilmer (Vice President) ✓  
Kelly Burdick (Treasurer) ✓ Sue Del Conte (Secretary) ✓  
Dave Vogel (Safety/Coaching Coordinator) ✓ Jim Del Conte (Umpire Coordinator) ✓  
Lyn Delcamp (Concessions) ✗

Motion to call meeting to order: Anthony

**MINUTES** - Approve the June 10th Meeting Minutes – Approved by Jim, Anthony

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Treasurer's report – Kelly
  - o No change since June meeting

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Season De-Brief
  - o Suggested that we do not do any in-person registrations next year. Was too confusing that you had to register online anyway. Not enough participation at Dick's Sporting Goods either.
    - **Vote:** All in favor to have Online Registration for Spring and Fall Registration
  - o Spring registration dates were ok this year – November to end of January.
  - o Clinic evaluations – all in favor to use Evolution again. Process was smooth with skills evaluations
  - o Open Gyms Dates
    - less in December as there was not much participation due to the holidays
    - suggestion to have skill session open gyms that focus on one thing per day
      - Pitching / Catching
      - Fielding drills
      - Batting technique
    - Continue to have gym dates once team are announced for indoor practices
    - Submit the request to the school for gym reservations by mid-November
  - o A suggestion was made to create an I1/I2 Coordinator for next year
  - o Umpire scheduling
    - Only issues were a few times umpires cancelled at the last minute and communication was not the best
    - Look into a different system for next year
  - o Volunteer Issues
    - Lack of participation from families to work the concession stand. Less than 30 league families, not including the board members, signed up to work.

- How do we engage more parents to volunteer? Concession fundraising keeps the cost of registration down. Do we institute a higher volunteer fee for next season?
  - Scheduling of Games
    - Next year we determine our in-house games first and then send in those black-out dates to District 8 to schedule remaining games.
      - Keeping our games during the week to work in around practices if needed.
  - Length of Season
    - Start the week after Easter in 2020. It was too early and rainy this year.
    - Suggestion to extend the end-date one week to mid-June.
      - Notify parents well in advance since vacations start mid-June as well
    - Discussion on Championship week – went well this year
      - Minors games should not be the same day in order for other teams to watch their competition
    - All-Stars – follow the Little League process of creating an All-Star team that can then play in tournaments throughout the summer.
    - Need to look into summer tournament dates early in the season
  - Registration Fees
    - We will review financials to determine how much registration fees need to change for the upcoming Spring season, in order to run the league for the season
      - Cover costs for: Electric, Umpires, uniforms, opening night, trophies, tournament fees, high school sponsorship, field maintenance, equipment, gym rentals.

#### Expenses:

- A motion was made by Anthony Foscone to purchase shelving for the shed from Uline; motion seconded by Jim Del Conte.
  - We need to determine inside dimensions on what size shelving to order. Discussion on cost can be voted on through email or next monthly meeting.
  - **ACTION ITEM:** Sue to create a generic layout to determine how many shelves need to be ordered

#### Softball Review:

- There was a discussion in an executive session, on helping out the SV Youth Softball league with use of our fields for the fall and spring seasons.
  - Determination:
    - We have received permission from Ontelaunee Twp to flatten the mound in Willow Glen development for the Fall Softball season.
    - They will also be able to use “C” Field in Leesport.

#### Softball Tournament – Conner Kleffel

- Usage of field maintenance materials – 9 bags of game saver (\$12.41 ea = \$111.69), 1 bag Turface (\$12.84), 3 bags of Lime Chalk (\$6.36ea = \$19.17), electricity for light usage (NC)
  - Total Cost: \$143.70
  - **ACTION ITEM:** Total needs to be communicated with Nici/Brad

## By-Law review

- A motion was made by Anthony to review the By-Laws, Kelly seconded the motion
- Position descriptions need to be updated on the number of positions we have, what each position should be responsible for, and if any can be combined.
- Voting process was also suggested to be reviewed, as it doesn't appear the by-laws state how the voting process should take place.
  - Current process:
    - Elections are taken to run for a board place
    - Once you are voted in, then the newly elected board members run for a position.
  - Suggested changes:
    - Election process to run for a specific position up-front
    - Change the positions to have 2 year terms that alternate by position so that there will never be an entirely NEW board in one year.
      - Ex. Elections for 2019-2020 – President, Treasurer, Player Agent, Coaching Coordinator, Concessions Manager
        - Elections for 2020-2021 season – Vice-President, Secretary, Umpire Coordinator, etc.

## Legal Name Change:

- It was suggested that we look into getting our own EIN#, since we use the national Little League number.
- **ACTION ITEM:** Contact a lawyer to determine what we need to do, and update any other items for Spring season
  - Insurance Policy, bank accounts

## Sponsor Signs

- **ACTION ITEM:** To have the 3 new Alumalite signs installed on the pole in right field and 1 on the scoreboard before the end of the summer.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm was made by Sue, seconded by Anthony.

## NEXT MEETING:

Monday, August 5th @ 6pm – Leesport fields

- Mini Agenda:
  - Determine what board positions need to be filled for next year
  - Fall Ball – teams and practice/game schedule