



Laconia Little League

September 8, 2021 6:00 Meeting Agenda

Attendance: Lisa Parks, Jessica Merkel, Mitch Vis, Jason Bos, Bob Pontow, Heath Hagner, Kristy Vermeer, Craig Shaver, Jen LeCaptain, Marci Hansen

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance: \$25,232.04

Ending Balance: \$19,754.78

Add on CD: \$3,717.36

Motion to Accept the Treasurer's Report: Jessica, Marci

Agenda

- Coaches meeting August 3rd comments

Squirt games were reduced in time to 45 minutes, overall everything went well with the season

PeeWee – suggestion to change the rule that the runner does not advance to another base once the ball is in possession of the outfielder to no further advancement once the ball is thrown back into the infield. Decision to not make a change now but will discuss again prior to next year's season

Older leagues – coaches would like more info prior to the Dual County meeting to be able to schedule games

- Equipment turn in (Bob)
 - There are still some coaches that have not returned equipment.
- Anything to donate overseas
 - Bob will reach out to Jamie Kloetzke regarding shipping equipment overseas

- End of year tournament and concessions (Jen)

- Went well – sold out early
 - Need to have a tournament director on-site.
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- **Fundraisers (Kristy)**

- Shoe drive – would like to have 250 more pairs of shoes for this fundraiser. Kristy will contact RI and Brandon school about putting a barrel in front of the schools for drop offs.
- Dock Spiders
- Amcor employee giving program
- Benevity
- Grants

- **Travel teams for 2022**

- Softball (Jessica) – 1 10U team
- Baseball – Possibly 6 teams

Will be contacting coaches of each age group for a roster of players. Also will emphasize the request that if a player is on a travel team they should play for league as well. Further discussion at the October meeting

- **Dates for 2022 tournament – Rosendale?**

Motion was made to have the tournament July 29-31, 2022 in Rosendale. Motion approved.

- **Taylor Park improvements**

Possible donation of improve Rosendale Parks

Motion was made by Lisa to donate \$1000 and 2nd by Heath to help with improvements to the park.

- **Scholarships for baseball and softball graduates**

At October meeting, there will be a sample application for the scholarships and discussion will continue as far as amounts and guidelines.

- **Donor Banners**

Some banners were ripped during the storm in Brandon. 4-imprint replaced banners quickly and at no cost. Discussion of having a 4-imprint banner made as well as sending a thank you.

- **Website**

Discussion of possible switching from Sports Connect to Sports Engine for the website. For Sports Engine, the cost would be \$1400 for the 1st year. Discussion of the difference and who could be done to improve the site we already have. Some items that would be utilized through the website include: scheduling games/practices, scheduling umpires, registration, volunteer sign up, upcoming events, rules/schedules. At this time, it was decided to stay with Sports Connect and promoting the use of the website.

2021 Board members

- President: Jason Bos (elected October 2020)
- Vice President: Mitch Vis (elected October 2020)
- Treasurer: Lisa Parks (elected October 2019)
- Secretary: Marci Hansen (elected October 2019)
- Registration: Jessica Merkel (elected October 2018)

2021 Committee members

- Diamond care
 - Rosendale: Lalor / Boyd families
 - Eldorado: Schneider Family
 - Brandon: Smit Family
- Umpire Coordinator: Heath & Colton Hagner
- Medals / Photos / Shirts Coordinator: Linda Diedrich
- Tournament/Concession Coordinator: Jennifer LeCaptain
- Game / Practice Scheduler: Chris Lalor
- Girls Softball Representatives: Matt Plum / Neil Maurer
- Boys Baseball Representatives: Heath Hagner
- Equipment: Bob Pontow
- Website / Facebook: Tricia Pontow
- Volunteer coordinator: Jessica Merkel
- Fundraiser Coordinator: Kristy Vermeer

Motion to close: Jessica 1st, Kristy 2nd

Next Meeting: October 13, 6:00. RI Library