

Livermore Smoke, July 26th 2010, Board Meeting

In Attendance:

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Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM on July, 26, 2010.

Minutes:

The Livermore Smoke June 21st 2010 Board Meeting Minutes Rev0 were approved via email to LGSA board prior to this meeting.

Old Business:

- Andy P tried to contact Gillian Boxx to setup catcher lessons for some of the Livermore Smoke A travel team catchers. She did not respond to either email or phones calls from Andy. She eventually contacted Andy, and told him that she would setup some training dates; however, after 1 month from this phone call, she has not provided these dates or responded to Andy's request.

- Does Cabernet have anything to offer LGSA? Gary V had to setup their agenda for the coaching clinics.

- A Livermore Smoke travel team had the indoor field reserved last Tuesday (before this meeting) at \$18/girl. However, the field was occupied by a baseball team at their reserved field time. Cabernet employees did not kick them off the field until the Livermore Smoke travel team forced the issue.

- Gary V communicated that the Grizzlies are offering their indoor facility for Livermore Smoke to use one to two days per week. Their upstairs facility is big enough to hold our meeting. Note: We get the whole facility not just a tunnel. Two teams could train inside the facility when we have it, and two team could train outside in the back of the facility. Gary will reserve the Grizzlie facility on Wednesday nights in the fall for LGSA.

- Gary V will get the cost to Jim, so he can include the cost in the Fall Travel Ball registration fees and in the Rec Ball fees for next year.

- Randy V., Andy P., and Troy will be the Travel Fall Ball Managers.

- The 12U B manager position is open

- Fall Travel Tryouts will be on a Tuesday and a Wednesday. Both 16U and 14U need a tryout. The older girls (16U) tryout first then 14U. If these teams only need to fill in 1 to 2 spots, then the teams don't need tryouts.

- There were some opinions that ALL Fall Travel Ball teams should have tryouts even though these teams change very little from the Summer Travel Ball teams. The idea being that you may find a player during your tryouts that could beat out a girl from the Summer Travel Ball team.

- 16U rules for Fall Travel Ball are different than for the 14s and 12s.

- A Teams have tryouts before B Team. A Team tryouts normally proceed the B Team tryouts by 2 weeks.

- Randy V's team does not need a tryout. He only needs to fine 3 players. Randy's tryouts are by invitation only

- Tryouts can occur at practice when done by invitation.

- Fall Travel Ball teams play A Teams.
- Livermore Smoke Seniors are playing Pleasanton Phantom Seniors, so our relationship is okay.
- Fall Travel Ball Team Tryout Information:

Date: July 17th, 12Us from 4 – 5:30 PM at JM

Date: July 17th, 16Us from 5:30 – 7:00 PM at JM

No 12U B Team

Date: July 18th, 14Us from 4 – 6:00 PM at JM. This will be a larger tryout.

- LGSA has JM Fields until September 1st.
- Jim G will talk to the LJUSD about reserving JM on a yearly basis and only paying for our actual usage.

• Andy will give Jim Geyer Mike Nagle's contact info. Mike will contact the school for us. Andy will go with Jim Geyer to meet with Mike.

Board Opening – Treasurer

Dave Koenig expressed his interest in wanting to be the LGSA Treasurer. Andy interviewed Dave with questions submitted by fellow board members

- Dave feels he's qualified because he owns his own business, which requires him to do his own billing, AR, and etc.
 - Dave has NEVER filed for bankruptcy
 - He has enough control and can manage his workload to have time to do this job.
 - He has no problem coming to his house to pickup checks at various times when required.
 - He has setup the LGSA online registration.
 - If a travel team needs a check, he should make sure he has already collect the money upfront from the travel team, make sure a check request has been completed, and then issue a check ONLY AFTER it has been approved.
 - He has an idea to setup the Field Coordinator and maybe the Snack Shack coordinators with petty cash e.g., give them \$1000 that they are responsible for. They would have to submit receipts and etc. to prove where the money went before they could get more money.

- What are your plans as far as your participation in LGSA. He will be actively involved in LGSA for at least the next two years, which is the length of term for the treasurer.

- Louie Arias nominated Dave Koenig as Treasurer, Jim Geyer 2nd the motion, and it passed unanimously with 9 yes votes (all present voted yes).

- Dave Koenig starts August 1st as our new Treasurer. Andy P will go with Dave to the bank to put his name on the LGSA account.

- 3 Executive Board members must be present vote an election to be valid, which we had for this vote.

- Will our insurance cover all of the LGSA storage containers? Jim thinks that LGSA has another policy that covers our storage areas. Andy P will contact Krystal to see if LGSA has a 2nd policy or not, and what are the terms for: Fire, Theft, Vandalism for \$50k, or more, of material including apparel in our storage containers.

12U B Summer Travel Team Issues:

A parent went after the 12U B Travel Team manager twice. The second time the parent threatens physical harm. However, the manager was the bigger man and walked away from this scene.

- The names of the two difficults parents were Chad Meyer and Steve Walker. These parents were difficult to deal with ALL SEASON.

- Steve took it to a whole new level when he threatened physical harm to the manager trying to get the manager to strike him first.

- Neither of these individuals will get coaching jobs during Rec season next year.

- Steve Walker may not be able to attend games, and if he does, his daughter's team will have to forfeit their game.

- Neither parent was happy with the positions and playing time for their kids.

- Andy P and Jim G will write them letters reprimanding their behavior and will outline the actions the LGSA Board will take against them.

- Thus, the LGSA board will document their written warning.

- The letter to Steve Walker will be harsher than the letter to Chad Meyer.

- Chad will get a written reprimand for harassing coaching all season long. Note: Other parents complained about his behavior.

- Steve Walker will receive a written reprimand banning him from Managing or Coaching and maybe from games (next level punishment).

New Business:

- Want Catcher's Clinics before end of season for A Team catchers. Hope they will get coached by the former Olympic catcher (Gillian Boxx)

- Gary V will coordinate the Pre-Tryout clinics at sign-ups. Cost ~ \$5.00. Sportability will need to be setup to allow the \$5 payment for the Pre-Tryout clinics as well as the registration fees.

- Gary V will get Livermore Smoke A Travel Teams players to help at the clinics.

- Randy V has access to the ASA Web site. He may be able to send a league wide email / notification through this web site.

- Randy V will need to verify if the church will be available for our registration dates. Registration times will be from 6 to 9 PM on both of the registration dates (Tentative dates are ??????).

- **Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.**