

# Livermore Smoke, June 21st 2010, Board Meeting

## In Attendance:

Louie Arias, Aunda Arndt, Gillian Boxx (Guest), Sandra Duffy, Jim Geyer, Dave Koenig, Eric Novell, Andy Paulazzo, David Taulton, Gary Vignola, Randy Villazon, Aleesa Walker, Craig Waugh, Randy Zumwalt

**Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM on June, 21, 2010.**

## Minutes:

The Livermore Smoke May 17th 2010 Board Meeting minutes were not approved because no one had a hard copy of the meeting minutes to review.

## Old Business:

- Andy welcomed the new board members to the meeting:
  - 10U AGC: Craig Waugh
  - T-Ball AGC: Sandra Duffy
  - Secretary: Louie Arias
  
- Andy introduced the Livermore Smoke board to Gillian Box, Softball Training Coordinator at Cabernet.
  - Gillian played college softball at Cal Berkeley
  - She is also played on the Olympic Gold Medal winning USA Team in 1996.
  - Currently, she works a full time job as a Fire Fighter in San Jose.
  - For the last 1.5 years, she's been a softball-training instructor at TPC. She's moved over to Cabernet when Jason Sekany was hired to run Cabernet.
  - She was a catcher in college and specializes in teaching catching mechanics.
  - What does Cabernet have to offer Livermore Smoke:
    - A top notch facility i.e., the best facility in the area.
    - Coaching Camps: Part B Coaching Clinic taking off from the clinics last year.
    - Get down and dirty instructions to the coaches.
    - Private training lessons that last 8 – 10 weeks.
    - Catching Instruction
    - 3 to 4 day Player Camps. Will be difficult right now because Travel Teams are playing through the 2nd week of August.
  - Can't send out a league wide email because ASA Oakland's web site is still having issues with registering our players.
    - Need more information email Gillian at Gillian.Boxx@gmail.com.
  - During sign-ups get a list of pitchers and catchers and arrange specialized training sessions for them before tryouts begin.
  - Gary Vignola, Director of Player / Coach Development will work with Gillian Boxx to setup the training programs at Cabernet.
    - Erin / Brenna Cole are in charge of organizing Coaching / Player clinics.
    - Email Gillian if you need to contact her or if you want more information at Gillian.boxx@gmail.com
- Andy thanked Gillian for attending our meeting on short notice!
- Andy thanked our outgoing board members for their service to the league:
  - Aleesa Walker for managing apparel sales and transporting apparel to Opening Day ceremonies and to tournaments and then back to the storage facility at Ideal Boat Storage..

- Aleesa gave some money from Sally (All Star Sports) to Jim Geyer.
- Dave Taulton for doing a GREAT JOB with our fields. You really appreciate our fields after playing tournaments on some of these other fields.
- The Livermore Smoke Tournament Director is an “Open Position”. Jim Geyer is the current Tournament Director. The Tournament Director will handle ALL tournaments including Memorial, Winter, etc.
- 4 Laptops will be at the church to register players directly into Sportabiliy.
- Have parents sign web site picture release forms for web site photos.
- Tentative In-Person Registration Dates:
  - Tuesday, October 5, 2010
  - Thursday, October 28, 2010
- Randy Villazon can get election style signs for advertising our In-Person registration dates.
- Andy moved to nominate Aunda Arndt as the “Picture and Publicity Coordinator for Livermore Smoke. Louie seconded the motion. This nomination passed 11-0.
- A suggestion was made to move picture day from Opening Day to a different day like Sunday at JM to make Opening Day less confusing. This idea was discussed, but no clear decision was made.

### **New Business:**

- Dave Koenig asked for board member emails, so he could setup forwarding Board emails from Go Daddy to our personal email addresses. THANKS DAVE!

• Dave Koenig asked whether our insurance policy covered our property in the three storage containers used by Livermore Smoke at Ideal Boat Storage, JM Snack Bar, and JM Equipment. We are trying to avoid the current issue being experience by LYF (Livermore Youth Football) where their insurance policy did not cover Fire damage to their property in their storage container at Mendenhall.

• Gary Vignola, Director of Player / Coach Development, reported on his corners clinic (1st and 3rd base clinic). 19 girls participated, so it was a very successful clinic. Girls really enjoyed the clinic. Gary is thinking about doing a throwing or maybe hitting clinic next.

• The board discussed having a clinic / practice BEFORE tryouts to help the girls prepare for tryouts. A September Player clinic maybe at Cabernet was discussed.

• Jim Geyer suggested we find out how much it would cost to reserve JM for a year because when school is out; it is very difficult to get school approval to use their fields.

- Mike Nagel is the school district contact instead of Sue Walker. Contact Mike for reserving JM fields.
- Frank Lascala took over for Beanie at LARPD for managing the Robertson fields.
- **Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.**