

Livermore Smoke February 16th 2010 Board Meeting

In Attendance: Dave Taulton, Tyra LaVerne, Aunda Arndt, Bill Choi, Randy Zumwalt, Eric Novell, Gary Vignola, Jim Geyer, Randy Villazon, Andy Paulazzo, Denise "Brownie" Meyer, Alisa Scribner, Brenna Cole, Aleesa Walker, Erin Cole Steve Farro, Louie Arias, Abe Pereida and Denise "Whitie" Meyer.

Minutes: January board meeting were approved by Jim Geyer and Dave Taulton.

New board member: Aunda Arndt is the snack shack coordinator. Aunda will be meeting with Brenna Cole to learn what she needs to do as the snack shack coordinator.

New business: Paul deLanda the president of Pleasanton/Livermore Umpires Association was our guest speaker. Paul has been with ASA for 23 years. His responsibilities are making sure the umpires show up to our games on time, wearing the proper uniform, know the rules, make sure they do the pre-game talk. Paul said that he will make sure that they are better prepared for our Livermore Smoke Travel Ball Tournament and they are working on it now. All of the umpires are going to an ASA training on Sunday February 21st and they will be working on how to do a one man game which is what they do for us.

President Message: Andy Paulazzo thanked everyone for all of their hard work to get prepared for the season.

Treasurers Report: Denise "Whitie" Meyer has some questions about the financial report that Krystal Geyer sent out but was not at the meeting to answer any questions. Andy Paulazzo said to email the questions to Krystal Geyer and copy him on the email so that he can make sure that she replies.

Registrars Report: Randy Villazon said we have 539 girls signed up to play this year with all of the age groups. Randy Villazon said he is still getting some late sign ups. Randy Villazon said he is still taking them but the new players will get a sweat shirt but not with a sponsor logo. Randy Villazon is working on inputting the players into the ASA web site for middle school, 10's and T-Ball. Alisa Scribner will get the registration forms to Randy Villazon for the 8's by Friday February 19th. Randy Villazon did say that all of the girls in our league are insured. Randy Villazon also said that background checks are not required by ASA. The board agreed that we as a league will require a background check. It was brought up that any parent helping out at practice should be subject to the background check and all board members agreed. Randy Villazon is going to check into what the cost of the background check will be, and then it will be brought up to the board to see who will cover the cost.

Umpire in Chief: Jim Geyer said everything is set up for the start of our season. Jim Geyer also spoke about an email he sent out to the AGC's to pass on to the managers that no player should be wearing jewelry at practice or in a game.

Scheduling: Eric Novell said the schedule is done and is balanced. He will be reviewing it again to make sure before he sends out to the AGC's. The first week games are starting at 4:30 pm.

Pictures: Bill Choi all AGC's have been given the pictures packet to forward to the managers for opening day pictures.

Snack Shack: Aunda Arndt will be meeting with Brenna Cole to get the keys and briefing on what she needs to do.

Fields: Dave Taulton said field day is Saturday February 27th from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. Dave Talulton also said he sent out an email to the AGC's to forward to the managers as we are having a problem with trash being left at the fields.

Dave Taulton will be sending an email to the AGC's that practice on February 27th at Joe Michell and Smith is cancelled because of field prep day. Jim Geyer said he will check into getting more trash cans for the season. Jim Geyer also said there is a problem with parking at Smith school. Parents are double parking, parking in the red zone and parking in ESS parking spaces. Andy Paulazzo will send out an email to the AGC's to forward to the managers.

Clinic: Erin Cole said he received good feedback from managers and coaches regarding the manager's clinic we offered at Cabernet. We had 82 people attend.

Apparel: Aleesa Walker said she has ordered 20 visors for opening day. Randy Villazon is going to check into having West Coast get our logo ready for when we need more visors. Aleesa will be at opening day selling apparel.

Equipment: Steve Farro said equipment is pass out to all of the managers. He needs to order 1 t-ball tee.

Uniforms: Randy Villazon said he has the manager and coaches shirts in. He will have the middle school uniforms in on Friday February 19th, 10's uniforms will be in the week after and t-ball and 8's the week of February 26th. Randy Villazon did order extra uniforms in all sizes for late registrations and if there are any size problems. The numbers will be 13 and up on the uniforms.

Sponsorship: Ron Kahwaty will not at the meeting but given an update to Randy Villazon. We have 27 sponsors for about \$10,680 and that is more than we had last year. Ron Kahwaty requested that we get our web site updated with sponsor information for 2010 and Andy Paulazzo said Dawn Whalen said it will be done this week.

Banner: The league is not providing team banner's this year. If a team wants a banner they need to purchase one themselves. LGSA will be purchasing 3 banners. 1 banner will list all of our sponsors for 2010 and they will be hanging

at the snack shack. The other 2 banners will be for our major sponsors and be place at Joe Michell field #1 and #2.

Fundraising: Wendy Vasquez was not at the meeting but gave an updated to Andy Paulazzo. Wendy Vasquez has all of the help and tables she needs to opening day. Wend Vasquez that each AGC send her a list of manager's team name, age group and email address. Wendy Vasquez is also working on a candle fundraiser that will start March 5th mo re information to follow.

Dir. Of Player/Coach Development: Gary Vignola said he has been out to some of our teams to see how they are running a practice and that he send a report to the EB and also sends information to the managers.

Opening Day: Randy Villazon has sent a flyer to the EB for approval then would like to send out to the AGC's to forward to mangers and parents. Randy Villazon said this year opening day is going to be bigger and better than ever. We have 14 vendors that will be at opening day. There will be face painting, raffles and food. Denny Spurlock will master of ceremonies, playing music, announcing players during the scrimmage games. Randy Villazon said there will be a sign in table for the volunteers. Jim Geyer said he has volunteers for the morning but needs more for the afternoon for the skills competition and clean up. Jim Geyer said the skills competition will have pitching, running and hitting for 7 to 14 year olds. The winner of the age group can go on to higher divisions. Randy Villazon said that Cassidy Whitlach will be singing the National Anthem and Katey Holscher will be throwing out the first pitch. Andy Paulazzo will check into getting the girl or boy scouts to do the flag. Jim Geyer said LGSA will be selling kettle corn, cotton candy, candy, soda, water, tri-tip sandwich, hot dogs and hot links. Granada High girl's softball team will be selling breakfast items. Randy Zumwalt is working on getting donations from businesses in Livermore for opening day.

Meeting over at 8:33 pm