

Livermore Smoke January 19th 2010 Board Meeting

In attendance: Steve Farro, Dave Taulton, Wendy Vasquez, Tara LaVerne, Alisa Scribner, Abe Pereida, Rich Hayley, Louie Arias Jr, Jim Geyer, Ron Kahwaty, Randy Villazon, Andy Paulazzo, Denise (Brownie) Meyer, Randy Zumwalt, Alisa Walker Eric Novell and Denise (Whitie) Meyer.

Minutes: November board meeting were approved by Dave Taulton and Denise (Brownie) Meyer
Tyra LaVern is now the T-Ball AGC and Randy Zumwalt is now the Travel Ball Coordinator

Winter Ball: Games went good, the teams were unbalanced. We had some first time players. We need to look at changing who can play because there were some girls that who had no idea what winter ball was about and signed up to play and it was their first year playing softball. Maybe we should only have girls play that have travel ball experience. Andy Paulazzo wants the winter ball coordinator be the same person who runs our Livermore travel ball tournament. Randy Villazon thinks we should have a draft to form the teams. Denise (Brownie) Meyer said we had some girls drop from winter ball after the teams were formed and some parents only completed 1 registration form for spring and winter ball.

Registration: Is now closed. Denise (Brownie) Meyer said we have had some girls drop. Also some parents were confused because of having 2 forms. T-ball and 8's managers are getting their teams at the manager's meeting. Jim Geyer said the number of team we are having this year is up from last year. Number of teams this year T-Ball 6, 8's 10, 10's black 4 and red 7, middle school black 6 and rd 7 and Seniors 4. Randy Villazon wants to look at doing on line registration next year. Eric Novell said that Sports Ability does have on line registration and we are going to give it a try for our summer ball travel teams. Eric Novell is using Sports ability for scheduling and we can also use it for our Livermore tournament for teams to register for our tournament. We may only have 1 walk in registration next year.

Manager's Meeting – Denise (Whitie) Meyer went over the packet we are going to hand out at the meeting. We need board members there at 6:00 pm to help set up and meeting starts at 6:30 pm.

Pictures: Gentile Photography reviewed with what type of packet we are getting this year. With the packet we already agreed to use Gentile will sponsor \$1,000 and \$1.00 per packet to the league. They have another program that they want to offer to the league. The teams will sign up for gift cards (min value \$20.00) the league will get back 20% of the total sales. The photos will be on line for the parents to view and pick which ones they want to purchase. Gentile has been doing the on line for 2 years. After Gentile spoke about the new program Bill Choi made a motion to change to the new program and Steve Farro 2nd and all were in favor.

Opening Day: Jim Geyer and Randy Villazon are in charge of opening day. They want to make opening day an all day event. They want to have a BBQ, sponsor booths, 2 black team playing games, Denny Spurlock will be the master of ceremonies / DJ with music and skills competition. Jim Geyer and Randy Villazon will send out a draft to the board.

Clinics: We have already had one of our manager's clinics with 35 manager/coaches show up. Next one is on February 6th. Abe Pereida said that a few of the manager's in MS Red said it was a waste of their time. We should send out a survey to the manager's to get their feedback.

Fields: Dave Taulton said right now the fields are looking good but wet. Joe Michell #3 needs a lot of work. Smith field has some broker boards he will be in touch with Beanie to get fix. We are not getting new dirt for the fields this year. He needs to spike a few of the fields. Altamont Creek we need to bet a storage box over there. Field Prep day is February 20th.

Snack Shack: No update

Equipment: Steve Farro said he purchased some new balls. The teams will be getting in their equipment bag game and practice balls, 3 bats and catchers gear. All balls need to be returned at the end of the season.

Scheduling: Eric Novell said he will be using Sports Ability this year for scheduling. Eric needs the team names as soon as possible. First game of the season will be on Sunday March 7th. We will be playing the Sunday after Easter.

Sponsorship: Ron Kahwaty said right now he has 16 sponsors for about \$7,200.

Program: Dawn Whalen wants to know are we giving out 1 program per player or 1 program per family. It will be the same as last year 1 program per family. She will check with Fed X/Kinko's on the price and maybe we can offer them sponsorship.

Banner: Randy Villazon will get the banners for the field sponsors.

Uniforms: Randy Villazon needs from the AGC a list of teams by manager's with player name so he can get the uniforms printed. Randy will also get the managers and coaches' sizes at the manager's meeting. Randy wants to have the uniforms ready to be picked up at his house 3 weeks before opening day.

Web Site: Dawn Whalen not here so no updates.

Player/Coaches Development: Gary Vignola not at meeting because of storm at work.
Meeting over: 8:54 pm