

# Livermore Smoke, June 27, 2011, Board Meeting

## In Attendance:

Board Member	Board Position	Board Member	Board Position
Louie Arias	Secretary	Andrew Paulazzo	President
Sandra Duffy	TBall AGC	Abraham Pereida	Sponsors hips
Steve Farro	Equipment Manager	Alisa Scribner	8U AGC
Jim Geyer	V.P. - Umpire in Chief	Dave Taulton	MSB AGC
Marc Kavanagh	Scheduling	Wendy Vasquez	Fundraising – Basket Raffle /
<b>Player of the Week</b>			
Dave Koenig	Treasurer	Gary Vignola	Director of Players & Coaches Development for Recreation & Travel Softball
<b>V.P. Registrar</b>			Uniforms, Trophies
Trish Martinez	Snack Bar		
Denise "Brownie" Meyer	Picture Coordinator	Craig Waugh	10U AGC
Denise "Whitie" Meyer	Opening Day Coordinator	Randy Zumwalt	Travel Ball
Jeff Passama	Apparel and Community Affairs		

Non-Board Member Attendees:

Louie Arias: +1.925.413.9715

**Meeting called to order ~ 7:12 PM on June 27, 2011.**

## Minutes:

The Livermore Smoke May 23, 2011 Board meeting minutes were emailed to the board before this meeting.

## Old Business:

- There was no Senior All Stars game because Pleasanton did not want to participate. Andy discussed having a Smoke Seniors All Star game with Marty and Kent. **Will do next year.**
- A Smoke Senior Team played in the Seniors Championship game.

## Smoke Tournament:

- Sold \$1700 worth of T-Shirts. We lost about \$50 dollars net due to not selling YL and YXL. Need to order more AS/AM instead of YL and YXL. Over 20 shirts sold at each venue. Sold them on Saturday at \$15/shirt and \$12 / \$10 on Sunday. Youth T-Shirts are left over.
  - T-Shirt design is IMPORTANT!
  - Teams were happy with tournament.
  - Two injuries occurred over the weekend.
  - Field Marshalls did a GREAT JOB!
  - Almaden sent a list of 8U teams to invite to our tournament. Start early to recruit 8U teams.

- Sandra suggests: Having a meeting with travel ball managers to tell them what is expected of them next year. Team manager should know league expectations of them.

- Smoke Tournament Umpires:

- 14U B, 12U B, 12U C, 10U B, and 10U C need 1 umpire on Saturday.

- 14U B & 12U B need 2 umpires on Sunday. (Note: I would include 10U B on this list for Sundays).

- Travel Ball team tryouts should be before **May 1st. Need to check ASA rules.**

- Pick the teams on **May 1st. Need to check ASA rules.**

- Suggestion: **April 1st tryouts (Need to check ASA rules)** and have the Travel Ball managers

picked BEFORE the Rec Season starts.

- **LHS / GHS should run clinics for our Rec players** especially if we keep on donating money to

them.

- Kristen Ho Tseung, Manager of the 12U C Phantom team, is interested in doing a 12U Fall Ball Travel Team with us because they lose a lot of their players to soccer. She feels it is better to field a combine competitive team than fielding teams with players that are not Travel Ball Players yet. Note: She is interested in doing a clinic with us, but the biggest issue involves getting volunteers.

- How do we market the Smoke Tournament better?

- Give Trophies instead of Medals

- Ideas to improve our Travel Ball teams:

- Fix our pitching problems

- Put on pitching and catching clinics.

- Need to fill the Clinic Coordinator

- Dave Koenig gave a 16U Travel Team update. We did not have a team this

summer because we could not get enough quality pitchers for this team.

- There were no umpires for the Seniors playoff games because Pleasanton did not schedule the Umpires. **Need someone to check with ASA to see if Pleasanton scheduled the umpires.**

## Sonoma Fields Update

- Mavericks are using the Sonoma Fields for practice.

- The Charter School move has been delayed.

- **Should use these fields on the off days i.e., when the Mavericks are NOT**

**practicing.**

## New Business:

Snack Shack – Trish Martinez:

- Snack Shack was robbed the Wednesday before our Smoke Tournament.

- The Snack Shack container was damaged in the robbery.

- Lost \$150 to \$200 in food.

- **Need a new container.** Manny Nunes' company may be able to help.

- Need to look for what we want for a replacement container.

Apparel Update – Jeff Passama:

- Field mice are living in our storage container.

- Jeff would like to focus on Community Affairs and is stepping down from doing

LGSA Apparel.



## New Business: (cont.)

Community Affairs – Jeff Passama:

- Main Events:
  - Rodeo parade
  - Christmas parade
  - 2011 LARPD Children's Fair
  - Home for the Holiday
  - Wine Festival
  - Tree Lighting
  - Farmers Market

We are insured for LGSA league activities.

Wendy

- Won a \$20K Field Makeover from the MLB for our league.
- We will name the field after her or her family. I have asked her to

think about what she would like to call the field in her honor for this donation.

Fall Travel Ball Teams:

for Fall Travel Ball.

- Current Travel Ball team coaches get the option to keep their teams
- Need to get the coaches NOW for the Fall Ball Travel Teams.
- Hope to have an 8U / 10U and 12U or 14U teams.
- Competition isn't as stiff. Teams usually play up because they
- Lose soccer (High Comp) players and CYO basketball players.

participate in USSSA Tournaments. Their tournament age date is set on their age **BEFORE May 1st** for their season that runs August 1st to July 31st.

Keys:

- Steve Farro
- Andy Paulazzo
- David Taulton
- Steve Griffith
- Trish Martinez – Container Keys and JM Keys
- Dave Koenig has JM Keys – C18
- Apparel Lock Code: 1931

Container:

There is a container at Andy's house. Need to find a home for it. Need it at Emma Smith to prep fields?

**Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.**