

LEBANON YOUTH BASEBALL

BOARD MEETING

March 25, 2009

Members Present: Tim Servant, Jay Simms, Calvin Ells, Tawnia Boutin, Steve Girdwood, Bruce Adams, David Kopecky, Caren Whaley, Keith Estes, Mary Mayes

Also present: Pete Sonnhalter, Sean Kiernan, Mark Woodward

Jay Simms called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. at the office of Tyler Simms.

Agenda for meeting is to discuss Draft rules, procedure for draft night, Woodstock team participation and raffle.

- I. Woodstock – Fernando Ramos has a team of 13 he will enter into league. Looking for some early season scrimmages to identify if it will be an A-ball or B-ball team. Permission has been granted by VT and NH Cal Ripken have approved their participation in our league.**
- II. Registration update – 185 total including T-ball and Rookie (down at least 30 from last year) but does not include Woodstock. Bruce has all data input and ready for draft night. 44 tried out for A-ball. 21 returning to A-ball. Board discussed requirements for A-ball qualification. Board approved waiving late reg. fee for Thetford/Woodstock players.**
- III. Motion 4 A-ball teams of 12, making the tryout score cutoff @ 36 for A-ball (Jay), second (Tawnia) Board discussion ensued. Vote – Approved 7-1**

Motion 5 B-ball teams of 12 (Dave), second (Mary) with cutting 9 lowest 2nd grade scores. Board discussion ensued. Vote – unanimous

Registrations are closed as of tonight. Any additional late registrations will be dealt with on case by case basis if spots become available. Unanimous approval.

- IV. Rules for draft: Placement of Thetford players - Motion for a 3/2 split on two (2) teams, with teams to be decided later. Approved 8-1**

**B-ball – Motion to eliminate Tigers and Royals as teams in B-ball
Approved unanimous.**

**A-Ball Draft Order – 1st two rounds all teams pick – serpentine
Third round (two picks by teams down in numbers until all teams caught up, then continuing serpentine)**

**Order for A-ball teams: Rays 1st
Red Sox 2nd
Astros 3rd
Orioles 4th**

B-ball Draft Order – Reds (1st pick default to coach's son), Blue Jays, Mets, A's, Pirates (then follow serpentine). Should not need double picks until later rounds to even out # of players per team.

Thetford indicating now may try to field whole team, so Board agrees to come up with a contingency draft list. Noon deadline for Thetford to report to Jay to avoid last minute shuffling.

Steve Girdwood volunteered and appointed draft referee as neutral party, non-coach, and without any children in the league this year. Modifications to draft orders described above may be necessary with changing circumstances and considerations. Considerations used by the Board to include, but not limited to, the number of returning players, talent of players in the draft, placement of players due to coaching considerations.

- V. Raffle – Suggested that we do cash raffle this year per email proposal from Caren Whaley/Greg Ogrinc. Dave proposed increasing from 5 to 10 prizes in his email proposal. Motion made to set cash prizes at: 1st @ \$500, 2nd @ 250, 3 – 5 \$100 ea. 6-10 @ \$50ea. Approved 5-2**
- VI. Jeff Coburn regional Cal Ripken rep will be here tomorrow night @ 6:30 p.m. for question/answer session on how Claremont runs rules/summer teams, etc.**
- VII. Tim to review Cal Ripken rules and compare to rules used by LLL. He will report back to the Board which will need to prepare a rules packet for coaches.**
- VIII. Motion to adjourn – Caren/Cal**

Adjourned @ 10:01 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Girdwood, Acting Secretary**