

LEBANON YOUTH BASEBALL

BOARD MEETING

May 7, 2009

Members Present: Jay Simms, Calvin Ells, Tawnia Boutin, Steve Girdwood, Bruce Adams, Doug Adams, Keith Estes, David Kopecky, Tim Servant, Mary Mayes, Keith Estes and Richard Ackerman

Jay Simms called the meeting to order at 8:09 p.m. at the office of Tyler Simms.

- I. Motion was made by Bruce to approve minutes for 4/8/09. 2nd Tawnia Unanimously approved.**
- II. Jay reported City needs key to turn on Water at Logan and he will provide. Further the City needs the broken meter cleaned up at Smith prior to turning on the water at there.**
- III. 3 Pitch Tournament starts Thursday, May 14th. Need to coordinate concession and umpires for tournament. Rays will cover Civic Field, Orioles will cover Smith Field, Astros at Logan Field, Red Sox will cover the High School Field. Keith will have the schedule done on Saturday for the Tournament. So far 18 teams have expressed interest, but we have not received the registration fee for most. Keith will check on trophies.**
- IV. Bruce will work with Tawnia to be the Board liaison with the concession committee.**
- V. Late T-ball registration received and approved for Junior Ponce. He will be added to the Braves.**
- VI. Woodstock Team discussion. They seem to be in between A-ball and B-ball level. Board recommendation is to move Woodstock to A-ball. Bruce made the motion, Cal 2nd, vote unanimous in favor. Keith will rework the Schedules.**
- VII. B-ball rule change discussion. Dave proposes modified rules played through May 13th, then go back to regular rules on pitching and stealing home. From that point forward, stealing home on passed ball will be permitted and there will be no further coach pitching.**
- VIII. Summer picnic June 20th. 99 Restaurant is willing to supply food. Steve to contact 99 on the date and confirm. Will need to start serving food around noon. All star games and home run derby are played that day.**

IX. Equipment needs: Rays could use some catcher's gear and a smaller helmet. Mary proposed separate bags for bats and catcher's equipment. Board agreed. Further discussion on equipment needs ensued for specific teams.

There was a request concerning making cages on helmets optional. Cal Ripken rules do not require cages. Lengthy discussion ensued on safety and visual issues with cage on helmets. Keith moved to make cage on helmet optional, Mary 2nd, Board voted AGAINST 9 – 2. Board in that same discussion approved adding cages to Rookie and T-ball helmets. Use of wooden bats was discussed, and Bruce raised question as to what Cal Ripken rules allow. Cal Ripken allows wooden bats but NOT two piece aluminum bats. There are length limitations under Cal Ripken rules that should be distributed to coaches and umpires. Richard questioned supplying water bottles for players use, possibly with logos. Jay is to follow up with Eric Bates who had proposed the same thing earlier in the season.

X. Calvin got us registered officially with Cal Ripken. Our registration package should be on its way to us via mail.

XI. District/Summer Ball teams. Tryouts were held. Keith has a list of players for District ("Travel") A-ball team already and they have been notified. The Board will also have all star teams for local summer ball tournaments. District team members will not be eligible for all star team play. All star 12U and 10U kids will be contacted soon after those rosters are completed. Keith will coach District travel team. Need 12U and 10U all star team coaches.

XII. Picture day is Monday, May 11th. The schedule has been set, but some teams still need order forms.

XIII. Jay reported the tax exemption certificate has been filed with the City for field property. Jay is to invoice the City and enter into contracts for use of fields.

XIV. Sponsors: Need to finalize sign sponsors and review the need for touching up older signs. Doug and Steve are to investigate.

XV. Motion to adjourn – Mary. 2nd Tawnia

Adjourned @ 9:48 p.m.

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