**Lower Perk Little League**

**General Board Meeting**

 **March 10, 2025**

**Date:** 2/02/24; Call to order 1932

**Attendants**: Matt Staffaroni, Meg Hall, Pete Snyder, Keith Bracht, Matt McCarthy, Sam Heffron, Brian Freas, Scott McCoy, Shawn Shearn, Chris Barberi, Dave Hine, Becky Barker, Matt Murtha, Cassie Doherty, Kate Trabalka, Doug Ervin, Meg Petsko, Mike Colonnello, Bob Oswald

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| **Topic**  | **Discussion**  | **Action**  |
| **Welcome** – President Matt Staffaroni  | * Thank you, Meg, for the Kickoff Party!
* 140 participants for the parent meeting – posted on the LPLL website.
* Thank you. Tammy for the video slide show!
* Thank you for everyone’s efforts over the last few weeks for your work on registration, TeamSnap, Dick’s Sporting Goods, etc.
* Over 700 athletes registered for Spring Rec Season.
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| **Baseball Updates –** Doug Ervin | * Baseball rosters/coaches are set.
* Divisions:
	+ Tee ball – 10 teams
	+ Pony – 5 teams
	+ AAA - 6 teams
	+ NLE – 6 teams
	+ NLW – 4 teams
	+ ALW – 4 teams
	+ Majors – 8 teams
 | * Umpires for baseball?
* Pushed to next meeting.
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| **Softball Updates –** Matt McCarthy  | * Teams are set; most have 10 athletes per team.
* Divisions:
	+ Majors – 4 teams
	+ Minors – 6 teams
	+ Rookies – 4 teams
	+ Perkettes – 6 teams
	+ 14U – 1 team
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| **Opening Day – Matt S.**  | * Discussion of plans for opening day.
* Recap of previous opening day celebrations.
* Last year we did ceremony – Pete raised a flag.
* Sponsors threw out the first pitch.
* Matt Bradford to come for the Noon game
 | * Discussion of ideas:
	+ Flexible plan in case of weather
	+ Incorporate sponsors.
	+ All games start at same time.
	+ Guest for each game to throw out first pitch.
	+ Any special ideas – please let Matt S. know.
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| **Schedule Updates – Matt S.** | * Overview of field rentals
* Skippack fields 6,7,8
* Middle School East – Field 9, PVHS Field 5, Anderson Fields 1 & 2, Water works
	+ Approved dates/times sent to Maria/Scott
* Palmer Park fields 3 & 4
	+ 21 teams for these fields
	+ Tee ball will be on Field 3
 | * Can Pony play on other fields besides 3 &4? (Matt Murtha)
	+ Possibly field 5 on Saturdays; depends on rec schedule.
* Can Pony use the cages? (Matt Murtha)
	+ Difficult to do – AAA does not get time in cages
	+ Decide after cage schedule is set.
* Perkettes shared fields for practice last year (Cassie)
	+ Recommend doing the same thing for this upcoming year.
	+ Cassie to work on the Perkettes schedule
* Tee ball
	+ Similar model to Perkettes
	+ Share fields for practice.
* Discussion on field use outside of Palmer after season starts.
	+ Limited for most
	+ Maybe 6 practices after opening day due to multiple games.
* All practice fields are for all teams; fields are not only for softball or only for baseball. (Matt S.)
* All age teams can use any field. (Matt S.)
* Discussion of Challenger league and set practice day/time – aim for Tuesdays 5:15 – 6:30pm
* Follow up with Minger Family Landscaping
	+ Weekday for maintenance.
	+ Mondays are preferred.
* Fields open March 17th
	+ Can use outfield before then, but no infield.
* Garages are closed until Snack Stand maintenance is complete.
* Rookies Proposed Schedule:
	+ Suggested 1 game and practice per week for rookies – 2 semifinals and championship game.
* Field maintenance team assignments – Matt St. will do.
	+ Plan to be out by March 24th.
	+ Will be on the master schedule.
	+ 2 Tee ball teams can split one shift.
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| **District/LL – Matt Staff**  | * 10U State Softball Tournament
* July 13th – 19th
* Possibility to host
 | * Discussion:
	+ Flexibility of volunteers needed due to variable game schedules.
	+ Weeklong tournament
	+ Responsibilities of host league:
		- Host Kickoff event
		- Team Parents for tournament teams
		- Fully staffed games (director, scorer, etc.)
		- Announcers
		- Will LP need to build press box?
	+ Of note:
		- Field use for other teams will be shut down during tournament.
		- Need more privacy for score keeping.
		- Wil need Traveling snack cart, additional bathrooms near field 7, additional signage.
* Need to decide in the next week.
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| **Palmer Park Field Maintenance - Matt Staff** | * 3/22 8 am
* Pete & Doug – talk with Brian and Kevin about supplies needed.
* Re-order zip ties
* Know where the signs are going – mapped out.
	+ Becky provided update for number of sponsor signs
 | * Prior to 3/22 – board members can go to Palmer and begin cleanup including hanging signs. go for it.
* To do:
	+ 60 signs total to be hung and places.
	+ Wind Screens, pads
* Crew needed for Snack Stand
	+ 5-6 people to assist
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| **Manager’s Meeting – Matt S.**  | * 10 am Skippack Township Building
* Reviewed Agenda
* Safety discussion – Bill to fill in for Mike
* Kevin, Brian or Dan – provide updates about field maintenance.
* Follow agenda
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| **Snack Stand – Meg P.**  | * Sign up genius to be sent for OD/snack stand lead.
* Month of April – board needs to cover 2 shifts
* Kelly Miller will help with team assignments this year.
* Snack stand Lead zoom training 3/31
* OD training will be separate
 | * OD duties will be discussed during the April board meeting.
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| **Sponsorship – Becky**  | * 66 total Sponsors
* 17 new ones
* Uniform assignment is done.
* Edge is helping with signs.
* Plan to try one vinyl sign this year and determine if want to make all sponsor signs vinyl for the 2026 Rec season.
* Sponsor logos will ne sent to Tammie and Sam for the website.
* Upcoming goals - additional ways to fundraise.
 | * Send final list to Doug for Snack Stand Sign
* Electronic sign for sponsors will also be done.?

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| **Team Snap – Matt S.**  | * All team snap invites from Majors down have been posted.
* All coaches were also sent rosters with emails.
* First TeamSnap invite goes to the original email of the Sports Connect account.
	+ Coaches or account holders can add additional emails.
	+ Reach out to Meg H. for help/assistance.
* Plan to build rosters for junior softball, intermediate baseball, challenger, etc.
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| **New Business/Open Discussion**  |  | * None
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Meeting adjourned: 8:38 pm

Respectively Submitted: by Meg Hall