



Board Meeting

February 1, 2017

Present: Cesar Garcia, Scott Collins, Larry Holden, Michael Edwards, Peter Koo, Dave Lilly, Lu Zhang, Eric Lee, Mike Garrett, Jack Chao, Tim Chin, Lucy Regan, Paul Santulli, Steve Wilkos, Fred Clarke, Elisabeth Carroll

2016 Financial Report: The budget proposed will be ratified. We are scheduled to be in the red again this year. We raised rates \$25 and will be in the hole \$10,000 this year. We can reevaluate next year and see how successful we can be with sponsorship. Soon we will have to move until a different storage unit to reset our rates. This is a pain, but it will save around \$2000/year. Need to follow up on winter training facility fee, there is a discrepancy between the amount billed and agreed upon.

2017 Items to Address

- **Registration** – Numbers are fluid...
- **Sponsorships status**
- **Board member needs**
 - VP AAA – We have no one. We will platoon it? Once things get rolling, it will roll. Need someone who knows about AAA – it is the first year of “real baseball.”
 - A and AA – Idea about a person
 - VP Big League – Idea about a person
 - Softball – Younger Ages Player Agent: A person is needed. Formation is the biggest responsibility here. Email in any suggestions for a new person.
- **Winter training**
 - Volunteer status: We have had very low participation from coaches. Jay has been very gracious giving his time, especially since his kids are no longer in the program. Perhaps next year we can put together a schedule.
- **Umpire Training:** We could schedule it at the church, pick a time, put together communication. March 11, 18? It cost \$75 per session to rent the church. Western Union Outreach Umpire training costs \$105 and is scheduled on Feb. 24-26. The league will cover the tuition for any of our volunteers willing to be trained. There is free training available in March, but earlier would be better. We need shorts and hats for umpire uniforms, along with new rule books. We need to buy the hanging chin guard/ throat protector things that are required. The new masks come “done” and none of them have the required protective part. It is a rule that umps have them.

- Approved Coaches Slates:
 - AAA – Nonting, Marshall, Rhabigan, Nolan, Drever, Jackson, Loh, Denger, Gregor, Trichel, Malloy, Choi, Blizzard, Freer (4 or 5 teams, 58 kids registered)
 - Coast – Riley, Wilkos, Perez, Anderson, Manson, Lawrence, Carnrite, Chin, Unay, Fluegge. We need more coaches at this level (6 teams, 74 registered)
 - Majors: Lee, Garrett, Perez, Clarke, Holmes, Wittman, Slater, Sawanoi, Zilmer, Hoffman, Santulli, Edwards, Heir, Viggiano, Rosenew, Ng
 - Softball: Collins, J. Ravenscraft, Jill Ravenscraft, Grosche, Barashkoff, S. Gregory-Lowe, J. Lowe, Suh, Chin, K. Marti, J. Marti, Takuda, Martinez, Calrutt, Whiteaker, Piha, Connell, Roellich, Hall, Brown-Ruegg, Chalmers, Midgley
- Team Selection: Will be held Valentine's Day Week: Monday - Majors, Coast - Wednesday, AAA – Thursday.
- If kids miss both evaluation opportunities, they will not be eligible to play all-stars or play-up. They will still be able to participate on a team. If someone is injured, they should show up and participate as comfortable.

Other business

- We cannot use the batting cages at Newport HS. We don't have rights to them, they will be rented by the school district to groups that pay. The Tyee cages are also off-limits. However, Thunderbird invested in the Newport facility and has supported it financially. A friendly collaborative conversation with the right person could be advantageous. Information was distributed to collect keys, but it might make more sense to change the locks since hundreds of keys are out there.
 - A safety seminar needs to be set up. We need a first responder or a medic – like a fireman.
 - All board members are required to be registered as volunteers. We have to be sure to take care of this.
 - We have an enormous amount of 11 year old boys this year – 140 boys between the different groups. We are only allowed to have 5 major teams. Suggestion – 1 year board departure from our approved rule to have 6 or 7 major teams to help us process the glut of 11 year olds. We will eliminate our self-imposed minimum just for this year.
 - Photographers soliciting our business should send their materials to Chris and he will handle details.
 - We need new locks for the equipment boxes on the fields.
 - Uniforms – tball – 5 teams, a – 3 teams, AA – 4 teams, AAA teams – 4/5, Coast 6 teams, Majors - ? Discussion about sizes... Immediately tabled. Lilley ordering them, adding one team to what he had planned at each level.
 - Practices start the week of March 1st.
- **2017 Calendar**

- Board Meetings – first Wednesday each month (Room 1112, NHS, 8pm)