



Ephrata Baseball Association Board Meeting

February 23, 2020

6:02 pm

EBA Academy
300 Chestnut St
Ephrata, PA

Meeting called by: President – Jeremy Jones **Type of meeting:** Regular Board Meeting

Attendees: Jeremy Jones, Ken Boley, Andy Gockley, Steve Schwanger, Mike Reading, Becky Miller, Steve Savage, Len Embiscuso, Karen Buckwalter

Guest(s): Bill Morrell, Bobby Miller Kelly Embiscuso, Marc Andes, Jaime Ochs, Tim Beaver,

Minutes

Agenda item: Previous Meeting Minutes Approval

Presenter: Ken Boley

Discussion:

The minutes for the December 15, 2019 meeting were approved. Motion made by Steve Schwanger, with second by Andy Gockley.

Note: The required quorum was not obtained for the January 19, 2020 meeting.

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item: Treasurer's Report

Presenter: Steve Schwanger

Discussion:

- An invoice was sent to Orthopedic Associates of Lancaster, which when paid, should wrap up all necessary items from the golf outing.
- One or two participants in the performance training tied to fall Hardball Academy have not been paid. Fall Ball registration was through Stone Alley, but the performance training was not. For future, it is suggested that we send out invoices for tracking.

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item: In-house Coordinator (formerly LL President)**Presenter: Mike Reading****Discussion:**

- Coaches are needed. We are still short one or two coaches at each level.
- Questions on field maintenance. Who is responsible?
- Teams will be formed over the next few weeks.
- Opening day is scheduled for the Saturday after Easter.

Conclusions:

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Action items**Person responsible****Deadline**

- None Required

Agenda item: EPBA Director**Presenter: Len Embiscuso****Discussion:**

- The chest protector rule did not pass for the 2020 season, but it will be implemented for the 2021 season.
- The entry fees for the LCYBL travel teams were paid Thursday.
- The Barnstormers have offered assistance to members of the LCYBL.
- All necessary paperwork regarding coaches' information, rosters, and field locations has been turned in.
- The second mandatory coaches' meeting is not yet on the LCYBL website.
- LNP tournament start dates: 12U – 7/6/2020, 14U – 7/16/2020
- If issues arise, contact Len immediately via text or e-mail.
- Some concerns have been communicated about players from outside organizations playing on EBA teams. In particular, the concern that these players will get more playing time than registered players within our area. According to LCYBL rules, if any player wishing to play for an organization that is not the "home" organization, the player's parents must obtain approval from the other surrounding organizations. However, the key point with the current players' situation is that they have nowhere to play currently.

Conclusions:

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Action items**Person responsible****Deadline**

- The selection process for players outside of the EBA must be re-visited. All prior to next season

Agenda item: Public Relations Director**Presenter: Andy Gockley****Discussion:**

- In person registration was held today. 7 new tee ball players were registered, and one new coach volunteered. It was a good day overall. We received more helmet orders as well.
- Question for the board for discussion – As many as five families do not have their own insurance. How is this to be handled in the event of injury?

Conclusions:

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Action items**Person responsible****Deadline**

- Contact our insurance company on how to handle participants without insurance. Jeremy Prior to next registration

Agenda item: Fields & Facilities**Presenter: Chad Ochs**

Discussion:

- No report

Conclusions:

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Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

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Agenda item: Uniforms & Equipment

Presenter: Karen B. and Steve S.

Discussion:

- Karen
 - Uniforms are ready except for 12US3. Should have those by the third week of March.
- Steve
 - 1 equipment bag was turned in missing the helmets that were in the bag at the beginning of the fall season. The helmets that were returned are in poor condition.
 - Most of the equipment bags have been handed out to travel team coaches.
 - Game balls will be purchased through Play It Again Sports.

Conclusions:

Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

- None required

Agenda item: Sponsorships

Presenter: Bobby Miller

Discussion:

- Details on banner advertising at the indoor facility have not been decided yet.
- Bobby announced that he will be stepping down as the Sponsorship Coordinator, but will help out during the transition once a replacement has been found.

Conclusions:

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Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

- None required

Agenda Items: Fundraising

Presenter: Jaime Ochs

Discussion:

- Final numbers of teams are needed for the team pictures and for the fundraiser.
- Pictures are scheduled for 4/22 at 5:15, 4/25 at 5:15, 4/27 at 10:00, and 5/1 at 5:15, all at The War.

Conclusions:

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Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

- None required
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Agenda Items: Volunteer Coordinator

Presenter: Kelly Embiscuso

Discussion:

- Reminder about clicking volunteer button in Stone Alley during registration if interested in volunteering.
- Volunteer clearances are set to expire during the season. How are we handling this?

Conclusions:

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Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

- None required
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Agenda Items: Safety Director

Presenter: Becky Miller

Discussion:

- Reviewed Safety Plan and has some questions. Should "Little League" be removed since we are no longer chartered? More clarification is needed on who needs clearances. Is the accident/incident form up to date?

Conclusions:

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Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

- None required
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New Business & Other Information

- Vertex Mechanical/Reading Phillies Sponsorship Opportunity – details to be forthcoming about a contest between Ephrata, Cocalico, and Warwick. A share of the proceeds from the ticket sales will be given to each association. Tentative date of 5/8.
- PCA coaches meeting is scheduled for 3/7. Parent meetings (3 sessions) are scheduled for 4/4.
- 10U Tournament – Bill Morrell to coordinate. Bill is reaching out for help. Suggestion to use high school team as part of their Hometown Heroes program.
- Lion's Club Card Show will be held 3/28

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned.

Next Board meeting will be March 29, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Boley