

HIGH PLAINS LITTLE LEAGUE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 5, 2018

Members Present	Members Absent	Guests
Jay Goodwin	Aleigh Raffelson	NONE
Andrew Harrell	Jason Lachermeier	
Gina Klimeck	Jeff Potts	
Cece Castro	Terry Kennedy	
Gary Bowling	Toni Harmon	
John Busby	Aleigh Raffelson	
Elise Van Grinsven		
Christy Kennedy		
Scot Raffelson		
Albert Castro		
Jami Read		

Meeting called to order at 6:38

Meeting minutes: Meeting minutes from January were approved by 1st John Busby and 2nd Gary Bowling
Passed and accepted by the majority.

Financial Report:

\$28,543.07 balance as of beginning of month.

Sponsorship:

Organizations/companies that have said they will sponsor HPLL this year:

\$500.00 American Legion

\$150.00 At home real estate services

\$1500.00 coming from Dicks Sporting

\$500.00 Falcon Broadband has committed

\$2500.00 or \$2000.00 Falcon Eye care coming in March

\$250 - 500 L3 screen printing

\$1000.00 Ranger Underground (pending)

\$1000.00 Rockin' Roll'n offs

Several other companies have been sent an email asking for them about sponsorship. Pending response.

Registration:

As of today 291 registered players.

Division total as of today:

Baseball

39 tball

51 Rookie

68 minor

50 major

22 junior/senior

25 intermediate

Softball

13 minor

12 major

3 junior

8 senior

Equipment Update:

1. We need to start preparing bags. This can begin after the number of teams are determined.
2. Some coaches still have their bags from last season.

Schedule:

At this time the schedule is set into time slots for each group of teams.

Opening Ceremony:

1. Christy Kennedy agreed to do planning.
2. Scot Raffelson proposed idea: can food drive and donate to helping hands.
3. Cece Castro made a motion to do a food drive during opening ceremony. 1st by Gina Klimek 2nd by Jami Read. Passed by majority.
4. American Legion flag patrol - working on scheduling it so they can be in attendance.

Safety Plan:

1. CPR class - Feb 13 @ 6:30 at TBD.
2. Alternate date March 2

Player Agent Tryouts:

1. Easier for the coaches to do all the tag players at one time, but they have to go through tryouts for all star eligibility.
2. Tryouts are Feb 17th at FRP. The 24th is alternate date based on weather.
3. There will also be evaluations for minor and major softball.
4. Scot Raffelson and Andrew Harrell will get together to put schedule together.

Local Rule Baseball Change for 2018

Board agrees to 2018 rule changes and leaving Rookies to a later date. 1st by Jami 2nd by John. Passed by majority vote. See #2 as to why later date.

1. Rookie rule stayed the same from last year.
2. Parent/coach concerned about rookie rules and wants pitching machine to used during game. Presented to board.

a. board suggestions: let it be up to the coach of the team.

Continue to let players pitch.

The adjustment to rookie rules will be looked at later with all the coaches and the parent/coach who made this suggestion.

Juniors/Seniors - A pitcher remaining in the game, but moving to a different a different position, can return as a pitcher anytime in the remainder of the game, but only once per game. < HPLL Local Rules following LL Rules Book Regulation VI (b) page 37.

Majors - Each team will be allowed to have up to 3 volunteers in the dugout during a game. If both managers concur at the pregame meeting, each team would be allowed to bat the entire line up.

Intermediate/ 50-70 - A pitcher remaining in the game, but moving to a different a different position, can return as a pitcher anytime in the remainder of the game, but only once per game. < HPLL Local Rules following LL Rules Book Regulation VI (b) page 37.

Minor- Each team will be allowed to have up to 4 volunteers in the dugout during a game. If both managers concur at the pregame meeting, each team would be allowed to bat the entire line up.

Draft Rule Changes

Scot allowed every team to have 3 assistant coaches in addition to the manager for the intermediate, juniors, minors, majors baseball games.

6 +1 still is in for 2018. The coach will select 6 players and be allowed to have their own.

Motion to make draft rules changes: 1st Andrew Harrell, 2nd Jay Goodwin. Majority voted to accept.

Roster Approvals

There has been special roster requests that go above the 6 + 1. The teams requesting is Red Sox 13 players intermediate, Diamond Backs 9 junior players, Braves 12 players majors, 11U Rockies 12 players minors, Softball 16u softball Cubs. Parents have committed to play little league and outside of little league. There will be no guarantees that these players will be selected for all star team. They will need to try out. These teams did have tryouts to make these team selections.

Minor Rockies request is being made due to coaching multiple teams. It is a combination of the youngest minor team from last year and a rookie team from last year combined so coaches can coach multiple teams.

Motion to approve roster 1st by John Busby 2nd by Albert Castro. No one opposed passed by all.

2018 Little League International Congress results

See congress results posted to the website.

Road Clean UP

Not scheduled at this time.

New Committees:

Concessions: Christy Kennedy is working on this

Grant writing: This committee is still in need of a person

Registration is still open for baseball until Feb 10. Softball is on a waiting list.

Additional topics brought up at meeting:

Senior baseball team being discussed for next season. (add to March agenda)

Softball inner league with Pioneer league (add to march agenda)

Next meeting March 5th

Meeting adjourned at 7:51