



**Riverside Baseball Federation
Membership Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 8:36 pm by President Andy Jeannette.

The February meeting minutes were read. The motion to accept was made by Paul Boehm seconded by Bill Campbell. The minutes were accepted.

The Treasurer's report was read by Treasurer Tia Gunn. The balance in the checking account was \$27,123.11 and the balance in the snack shack account was \$3,000.00. The motion to accept was made by Eric Kress seconded by Kerry Boehm. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

Old Business

1. Membership dues should be paid.
2. Revising the Mustang Pitch Count Rule was Voted on and Passed: 13 yeah, 1 nay for Inning requirements. 12 Yeah, 1 Nay for Pitch count requirements.

Page 22 League Rules, Mustang League, Replace the Pitching Section as Follows:

PITCHING

Pitching rules for Mustang League: 6 innings per week maximum, 3 innings per game maximum. Week runs Monday to Sunday. Violation of the pitching rules WILL result in a forfeit of the game in question. Rest rules are as follows:

- a. 3 Innings Pitched 2 Days Rest***
- b. 2 Innings Pitched 1 Day Rest***
- c. 1 Inning Pitch No Rest***
- d. Regardless of the number of innings pitched in a game, if a player has pitched 50 pitches in a game they are required to have 2 days rest.***
- e. Regardless of the number of innings pitched in a game, if a player has pitched 30 pitches in a game they are required to have 1 day rest.***

No mercy rule in Mustang, 5 run max/inning (no run limit in 6th inning).

The umpire shall remove a pitcher after hitting two batters in one inning or three batters in a game.

The pitching rules will not be changed for the playoffs. Except that the four vs. five game (if played on) the first Saturday following the end of regular season all pitchers will be eligible to pitch three innings.

No balks will be called.

3. RBF Fun Day to replace the In House All Star game was voted on and passed 10 Yeah, 0 Nay.
Page 15 of General Guidelines to the RBF Handbook, In-House All Stars:
 - f. Replace section with:

RBF Fun Day

The Riverside Baseball Federation will hold a league-wide Fun day at Bradshaw Park on a Sunday during the regular Season that will be announced. The festivities will include skill challenges like: home run derby, fastest throws, accurate throws, base running races, and more. Every player from Tee Ball to Colt League will be invited to participate. All league managers are required to participate. If the manager is not available, he/she must send a representative of the team to fulfill their responsibilities. This requirement will replace the participation of the RBF In-house All-Star games.

- g. Page 14 of General Guidelines to the RBF Handbook, In-House All Star / Tournament Teams: **Remove reference to In House All Star Game.**
 - h. Page 8 of General Guidelines to the RBF Handbook, Managers: Replace section 9e with: ***Participation in the RBF Fun Day***
4. Discipline requirement was voted on and passed: 11 Yeah, 0 Nay:
Page 10 of General Guidelines to the RBF Handbook, Discipline:
 - i. Add to the end of the section:
This rule is intended only in leagues where there is a "must play rule" in effect.
5. Addition of Pony League and Colt League Sections was voted on and passed: 12 Yeah, 0 Nay:
Add a Pony League and Colt League section to the Handbook under League Rules
 - j. **Pony League:**
 - i. ***The Riverside Baseball Federation plays in the Beaver County Pony League (BCPL) and adheres to the rules of the BCPL. RBF Handbook including the Bylaws, General Guidelines, League Rules for Pony League, Parent Participation, Support and Conduct, and Safe Kids Program are effective and shall be in effect. Playing rules are in accordance with the rules of the BCPL.***
 - k. **Colt League:**
 - i. ***The Riverside Baseball Federation plays in the Beaver County Colt League (BCCL) and adheres to the rules of the BCCL. RBF Handbook***

including the Bylaws, General Guidelines, League Rules for Colt League, Parent Participation, Support and Conduct, and Safe Kids Program are effective and shall be in effect. Playing rules are in accordance with the rules of the BCCL.

6. Addition of individual coach participation and attendance rule was voted on and passed: 13 Yeah, 0 Nay:

Page 9 of General Guidelines to the RBF Handbook, Conduct,: Add the following:

I. Add after the first paragraph of the section add:

In addition to the individual League Rules team Managers may implement participation and attendance rules for their individual team provided that said rules are in accordance with the rules of this RBF Handbook including the Constitution and Bylaws, General Guidelines, and League Rules. Any such policy must be presented to the RBF Board prior to implementation. Any disciplinary action taken by a Team Manager or Coach is subject to review by the RBF Board for compliance with the RBF Handbook and rules. Must Play Rules of individual leagues, as defined in the League Rules of this Handbook, must be adhered to under all circumstances.

7. Addition of third year t-ball player moving up to Farm league was voted on and passed: 12 Yeah, 0 Nay:

Page 7 of General Guidelines to the RBF Handbook, League Ages,: Add the following:

m. Add after the second paragraph of the section add:

A player who is registered for the current year as a 6 year old and who has played the previous two years for RBF during the regular T-Ball spring season (at the T-Ball level), will have the option to play at the Farm League level at the request of their parent or guardian and the acceptance by the RBF Board.

8. We need a new Snack Shack Coordinator. A letter to all registered families was sent out after the final registration. One person has volunteered to help but we need more.
9. Saturday, March 22nd from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm Dick's Cranberry store is offering a 20% discount to all registered RBF families. A 20% off flyer will be provided to all registered families to be used for this event.
10. We will need help from coaches for the baseball camp being held Saturday, March 8th and 15th.
11. Casey Reilly is coordinating a sub sale with Pflugh's. It will be held the first two Thursday's in May.
12. Andy called Nick Neupaur of Ellwood City Youth Baseball regarding the possibility of ECYB playing with BAYAB and RBF this year. Nick stated that the board is willing to play but the parents would only want to play at the Mustang level and not the Little League level. BAYBA and RBF would like to see play at both levels. ECYB's board voted No.

13. Beaver County Pony League has elected Mike Peters as the new President. New rules have been introduced including:
 - Pitching rest rule will be two days rest after pitching 4 or more innings.
 - Teams **would be allowed** to finish a game with 8 players.
 - Draft requirements for the division of 13 and 14 year olds **were not** changed.
 - New rule was introduced that a player must attend a minimum of 10 games to be eligible to play in the playoffs.
 - Only top 4 teams will make the playoffs and will play a best of three series.
 - Games will start the week of May 5th.
 - Two games would be played per week during Monday through Friday with rainouts on Saturdays.
14. A team from Beaver asked to play with BAYBA/RBF. This is one team of players selected from the Beaver area and is not a team under Beaver's youth baseball program. **This was voted no by the RBF Board.**
15. Coach's clearances must be from January 1, 2012 or later to be considered current. Coaches and assistants are to see Mike Garvin to verify if their clearances are current.

New Business

1. Team Sponsors, Teams and Coaches were announced:
 - T-Ball: 47 players, 5 Teams
 - Farm: 52 Players, 5 Teams
 - Mustang: 36 Players, 3 Teams
 - Little League: 36 Players, 3 Teams
 - Pony: 34 Players, 2 Teams
 - Colt: 7 Players, no team
2. Draft will be Sunday, March 16th starting at 5:30 pm with T-Ball and every 45 minutes thereafter.
3. Practices will begin Monday, March 31st for Farm through Pony. Monday, April 7th for T-Ball.
4. Please remember to stay off the fields if they are wet. If you make impressions when walking on the dirt, stay off the fields.
5. We will try to have a couple of work days prior to starting practices.
6. The board would like to remove the carpet in the batting cages, add gravel, level & compact, and add new carpet prior to installing the nets.
7. Chad Dwyer obtained a piece of stainless steel sheet metal to mount behind the fryer.
8. Retaining wall around playground needs to be replaced. Pam McCartney is talking to the township.
9. Lights around parking lot are to be mounted on the poles.

10. New owner of house on corner has volunteered to open & close a gate if one is installed to restrict access to the park during night hours.
11. Proposed capital expenses:
 - New batting cage carpet
 - New L-Screens
 - Close in pavilion
 - Gravel in batting cages
12. The RBF Board has recommended that RBF donate \$500.00 to the High School team. Voted and passed 12 Yeah, 0 Nay.

The motion to adjourn was made by Bill Campbell seconded by Eric Kress. The next meeting will be Thursday April 3, 2014 at 8:30pm at North Sewickley Township Building.

Those in Attendance

RBF Officers Present:

Andy Jeannette, President
Mike Garvin Vice President
Derek McNeill, Secretary
Tia Gunn, Treasurer
Dan Mumma, Commissioner

Members Present:

Paul Boehm
Eric Kress
Jerry Koller
Chad Dwyer
Dave McDade
Jodi McDade
Bill Campbell
Dan Bartel
Ray Clyde
Bob Delisio
Kerry Boehm
Chris Chill
Chris Wissing
Eric Ferrigino
Teresa Bishop
Ben Kristophel