

MENTOR BASEBALL LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES

January 11, 2006

Attendance: Debbie Korecz, Ken Bell, Fred Zupancic, Rick Seibt, Harry Oschip, Ken Zak, Bob Giebel, Jim Maffit, Mike Czarnecki, Jeff Paige, Greg Golic, Debbie Ribinskas, Bruce Noll, Rick Leyde, Rich Wallack, Bob Fritts, Paul Monastra, Jerry Nalipa.

1. **Review of Agenda:** nothing to add.
 2. **Minutes of Last Meeting:** change Huntington to Fifth Third. Minutes accepted subject to correction. (Bob Giebel/Greg Golic)
 3. **Treasurer's Report (Ken Bell):** December income was \$7805 and expenses were \$5195. Cash balance of \$58,954 as of 12/31/05.
 4. **2006 Budget Proposal (Ken Bell):** The budget for 2006 is \$212,050. Rick Seibt will get new numbers to Ken. Final budget presentation will be at February's meeting.
 5. **Website Voting Results (Rich Wallack):** 8 voted to remain with the current website, while 6 voted to change. The fee structure for the website will be looked at for next year. All questions on the website should be referred to Go To Solutions. Online registration will begin at noon on January 12.
 6. **Sponsor Report (Debbie Ribinskas):** 27 house team sponsors and 13 travel team sponsors have paid. 8 and 9 year old leagues will be sold out by February. Hooters wants to sponsor the entire Senior League.
 7. **Rating Sheets (Rich Wallack):** more have come in. The information from these sheets needs to be entered in the program in order to generate rating sheets.
 8. **Registration Update (Rich Wallack):** Informational letters were mailed today. They include a cover sheet, an Indians ticket order form, loge raffle info and spirit wear info. March 7 is the deadline for registration.
- 8a. **Advertising of Registration:** Newspaper advertising (the announcement section) was discussed as well as advertising on Channel 12.

9. **Picture Update (Fred Zupancic):** Ellie Vayo will be used for pictures. She is also in the banner business now. Fred will get info from her so we can compare her prices to the company we used last year.
10. **Trophy Update (Rick Leyde):** The Senior League does not want trophies.
11. **Lake County Coaches Clinic (Harry Oschip):** February 18 at Lake Erie College. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and there is a \$5 donation that will be paid by Mentor Baseball if you are a manager. There is also a player's clinic at Mentor High on Saturday, March 4 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
12. **Mitey-Mite Tournament Team Tryouts (Dan Welly):** Dan was not present, but Rich reported that no date has been set.
13. **Uniform Updates:** Bob Fritts reported that Seasonal Sporting Goods will provide tournament team uniforms. Samples will be at the practice facility for sizing. Bob will be getting the hats from Harry. House League uniforms will have to wait for registration numbers. This year the 6 and 7 year old division will provide their own pants. T-Ball will not turn in their shorts this year. They will also not have stirrups.
14. **Vote for Recording Secretary (Rich Wallack):** Bob Giebel was nominated by Ken Bell and Rich Wallack. The vote was unanimous to elect Bob as Recording Secretary. He did inform the board that he will not be able to enter the rating sheet info.
15. **Commissioner Binders (Rich Wallack):** T-Ball remains outstanding.
16. **Open Positions for 2006 (Rich Wallack):** Mike Czarnecki will be the Minor 10 commissioner. There is a possible candidate for the Minor 9 position. Opening Day Concessions still needs to be filled. There may be a possible way for much of the information to be moved from the website to a form that can be used for the program book, therefore relieving much of the work for that position which still needs to be filled.
17. **Old Business:** none
18. **New Business:** The reverse raffle for the MHS Baseline Club is February 3 at LaMalfa. The cost is \$110 per couple.

Background checks on managers were discussed. More research will be done on this item.

19. **Job Well Done:** Debbie Ribinskas for sponsors. Rick Seibt for evaluating the website. Bob Giebel for agreeing to be the Recording Secretary.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 8, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in Room D of the Civic Center Ice Arena.

Minutes taken by: Debbie Korecz