

Mentor Baseball Meeting 12-12-07

7:30pm- Civic Center

### **In Attendance-**

Fred Zupancic, Harry Oschip, Joelle Magyar, Greg Golic, Mike Horvath, Mike Riley, Jeff Newmark, Rick Leyoe, Bob Giebel, Rich Wallack

### **Minutes**

**1.- Rich reviewed agenda-** Agenda additions 2A and 11A- Secretary Election and Field Signs

**2.- Minutes of last meeting-** postponed to next month

**2A- Nominate Joelle** for secretary. Vote taken- all in favor

**3.& 4. Treasures Report and Budget Review-** postponed - Ken sick

**5. 2008 Indians Night- Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.** Tickets upper deck reserved seats at a cost to Mentor Baseball of \$8.00. Each registered child gets a free ticket with the purchase of an additional ticket. Not a fund raiser but promote as a family night to fill the seats. Tickets sell for \$10.00. All rec games will cancelled that night so all teams can attend. Will not interfere with travel Tuesday/ Thursday schedule. Parents will be able to purchase tickets on website after registering their child for the 2008 season. Need to make sure that we are putting number of tickets they are PURCHASING, not getting in combination with the free ones. Goal would be selling 3000 tickets. Will participate in Pre game parade, can do first pitch if we sell at least 1500 tickets. Perks for individual teams that sell the most tickets- Rich motions to go through with this. Gets posted on the website and can be added to leagues calendar. Travel kids who already registered will need to go through a different process to get tickets. Motion passed to hold a Mentor Baseball night with the Cleveland Indians.

**6. Player Ratings-** Ask commissioners to hound the managers for player ratings because it affects the drafts. Only have 64% entered. Give ideas to Bob on how to improve the draft process.

**7&8. Registration-** need to complete the pay pal set up. Had to sign up for a Merchant account \$30.00 per month. \$360.00/year needs to add to budget. Completed Pay Pal process should be done by the end of the month. Want to target 1/1/08 to start registration. Rich will complete the final copy of the registration letter. There will be 3 pieces of info that people can click on regarding fees, Indians Night and forms. Discussion regarding how to make sure travel players are not paying \$5.00 fee twice.

Decision will be that all players will re-register. Update the pay pal to bypass the fee step.

**9. Blast Emails** -skipped

**10. House League Uniforms**- Conversation regarding the smell of the uniforms. Question was asked about the uniform colors and if it is possible to get earlier. 3 years with no more than a 3% increase for the next 3 years.

**11A- Field Signs** – people last year were critical of the field signs. Writing was too small. Could not see from home plate. Do we want to change vendors for Field signs based on last years feedback? 4 are new, 5 are renewals for this year- potential for 9 signs. Employees, Tile Works, Blue Ribbon, Quiznos are up this year and 13 for next year (according to Sam's list). Need to get the 2007 list from Debbie. *Bob Giebe Imotioned to go back to Sam for Field signs in 2008- second by Greg Golic.* **-Motion will be on next month's vote list.**

**11. Senior League Proposal- Motion to**- Limit the number of teams to make sure the teams are adequately rostered . Need to have 14-15 players. Must meet the 75% resident participation according to the current Mentor baseball rules. If team forfeits 2 games, players on that team will not be permitted back in the league next year. No call ups from any Recreation league. Managers must be 22 years old. **Motion passed.**

**12. Dates**- Draft Day – April 5,

Opening day May 10 and 17<sup>th</sup>

Tryouts for Spring tournament team March 8,9 or 15,16- need to verify with Ken

Firecracker July 3-6

**13.** T-ball, Midget 6, Major- need to get binders in to Rich

**14.Need commissioners** for Midget 6, Major 11,12 and Colt.

Need to get Sponsor letter out. Sitting in Rich's house. Need to find sponsor Coordinator quickly. Labels, envelopes are done and need to be stuffed and sent. Need names for possible coordinators. Mike Horvath to follow up with his parent.

**Need**- Opening Day Concession Coordinator, Indians night Coordinator (new), Tournament Team coordinator, Equipment manager after tryouts.

Mike Horvath will do Trophy Chairperson

**15. No Old Business**

**16. New business-** Need to talk to umpires to know fees \$40.00 for Rec, \$50.00 for travel- Paul Loach and Rick Sullivan.

**17.** No Job well Done nominations

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

Minutes taken by Joelle Magyar