



Gull Lake Little League  
PO Box 310, Richland, MI 49083

### **GLLL Board Meeting Agenda – November 13, 2016**

**Called to order at 6:03 PM**

**PRESENT: Colton Lenzinger, Katie Moratti, Barb Kuehl, Steve Tanner, Melanie Tanner, Kristin Brown, Elizabeth Ratti, Paul Wargolet**

**NOT PRESENT: Scott Hershberger, Josh Busick, Erica Busick, Sherri Alvey, Brian Methner**

#### **Opening of Meeting**

1. Roll Call/Attendance
2. Approval of Minutes from 10/23/2016 – Minutes from 10/23/16 approved and will be posted.
3. **President – (Colton Lenzinger) - PRESENT**
  - Update: Little League International “Challengers Division” is a special needs division held at Milwood; we should create a link to their site for more information for families we may serve. Also there is an opportunity to apply for different grants for improvements. Barb Kuehl mentioned coordinating with the township to identify needs since grants will require what funding will be used for.
  - Goals: Due to time constraints, will be discussed at December meeting.
4. **Treasurer (Barb Kuehl) - PRESENT**
  - Financial Update: Current balance is \$26,590.02. Financial info is on GLLL webpage under minutes area. Taxes have been completed, signed and submitted.
5. **VP Baseball (Steve Tanner) - PRESENT**
  - Update
  - Feedback on Coach - Umpire duty: Wide range of responses. Colton Lenzingers suggestion from the district meeting is to require 2 games per season, which will be in addition to the umpires we currently have. Steve Tanner will refine plan and follow up for upcoming meeting.
6. **VP Softball (Brian Methner) – NOT PRESENT**
  - Update: A former coach sent in a suggestion to redevelop machine pitch rules & policies. Will coordinate with Steve Tanner to redevelop those.
7. **Player Agent Baseball (Melanie Tanner) - PRESENT**
  - Update: New board updated with district and Little League International. All registration will be done online. 1/21/17 from 9am – 1pm, will be the in-person registration date at Ryan Intermediate Media Center where we can use the library computers, laptops, etc. We will need as much help as possible for this event. Melanie plans

to get with Erica to show her the League One site. Also, we need to change some of the buttons on League One for differentiation of manager, coach and assistant coach.

**8. Player Agent Softball (Erica Busick)- NOT PRESENT**

- Update

**9. Sponsorship Officer & Uniforms (Katie Moratti) – PRESENT**

- Update: Mailings & More has best prices so we will continue to use them for uniforms. Also John from Mailings and More wants to donate a GLLL banner & we need to look into moto for the banner. Katie met with Derrick Ricca to get updates. We need to add more info on existing sponsorship form. Also, we plan to have GLLL night at Dick's Sporting Goods where GLLL families receive a discount on items purchased. We need to find the best way to get the coupon/info out to families.

**10. Equipment Manager (Josh Busick) – NOT PRESENT**

- Update: Need to figure out who to donate used equipment to? In the past, they donated it to the Boys & Girls club. Steve Tanner mentioned that as soon as teams are formed, balls & scorebooks need to be ordered ASAP. We received a lot of feedback regarding pitching machine inconsistencies. Look into maintenance schedule on existing machines.

**11. Webmaster (Scott Hershberger) – NOT PRESENT**

- Update Website Options: Sports Illustrated site is very expensive. We are looking into Blue Sombrero for future years.

**12. Scheduler (Elizabeth Ratti) - PRESENT**

- Nothing to report

**13. Safety Officer (Paul Wargolet) - PRESENT**

- Update: Still need background checks. Steve Tanner added about incorporating a coach fundamentals training or something of that nature to the existing all managers meeting.

**14. Fundraising Officer (Sherri Alvey) – NOT PRESENT**

- Nothing to report

**15. Secretary (Kristin Brown) - PRESENT**

- Nothing to report

**16. Umpire-In-Chief (N/A)**

- n/a

**Old Business:**

- Richland Township Parks Contract: Melanie Tanner asked if this contract included the Golf Cart or would that require a second contract. Steve Tanner motioned to accept terms of contract, Elizabeth Ratti 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.
- Umpire Agreement
- Laptop

- Facebook: Ownership of GLLL facebook page is still not clear. Melanie Tanner and Kristin Brown will coordinate to try to combine variety of GLLL pages as well as claim ownership.
- Parent Survey Recap

#### **New Business:**

- *Division Age Policy:* New in 2017, players can play in 2 divisions.
- *Registration Fees:* Families can receive early bird discount until January 9. Also with new policy of players being able to play in 2 divisions, a fee of \$20 will be applied to cover cost of 2<sup>nd</sup> uniform. Elizabeth Ratti motions to approve registration fees, Katie Moratti 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.
- *Registration Flyer:* Elizabeth Ratti wants to include flyer distribution to other schools such as Montessori, etc. Kristin Brown will bring flyer to Gull Lake superintendent for approval for distribution in schools.

#### **Open Forum:**

- Open Discussion
- Committees to establish

#### **Important Dates:**

- District 2 Interleague meeting – open to all board members
  - TBD December, 2016
- GLLL Board Meetings:
  - Sunday, December 11th, 2016 at 6pm Main Street

#### **Announcements:**

**Meeting adjourned 8:08pm.**

**Kristin Brown – secretary**