

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

GLLL Board Meeting Agenda – 03/09/25

Opening of Meeting: 6:36 pm

1. Roll Call/Attendance: Becky Murphy, Sarah McCray, Greg Feathers, Matt Morgan, Julia Terpening, Luke Reames, Jenni Pant, Joe Pant, Mary Beckman, Matt Zerilli, Geneva Blocker, David Blocker, and Lance McCray
2. Approval Of Meeting Meetings: Approval of February 2025 meeting minutes deferred.
3. Board Member Updates:
   1. President (Becky Murphy) -
      1. Richland Township Contract has been executed – awaiting Art’s signature (signing on 3/10/25)
         1. Review IOC
         2. Mounds – Baseball and softball mats
            1. Not allowed to use softball mats for tournament play
            2. Discussed field maintenance – dirt brought in, removable mats
      2. Registration – 448 total – Geneva waiting on four late additions (Little Minors and above) – rosters sent to coaches and e-mails sent to parents
         1. Little Minors and above have been waitlisted
         2. T-ball and Coach Pitch is open through 2/28; waitlist 3/1-3/15
         3. Current Numbers: \*\*Discrepancies noted from Becky’s numbers below and Geneva’s numbers provided during meeting
            1. T-ball - 92 (10 Teams) – 54 per Geneva
            2. Coach Pitch - 73 (8 Teams) – 78 per Geneva
            3. LM Baseball - 76 (8 Teams)
            4. Minor Baseball - 68 (6 Teams)
            5. Major Baseball - 25 (2 Teams)
            6. 50/70 Baseball - 10 (1 Team)
            7. Junior Baseball - 14 (1 Team)
            8. LM Softball - 35 (3 Teams)
            9. Minor Softball - 36 (3 Teams)
            10. Major Softball - 13 (1 Team)
            11. Junior Softball - 14 (1 Team)
      3. Manager Meeting – 3/23
         1. Will do two separate sessions – review rules and first aid (Julia); bring bags and balls to meeting
         2. Bowling alley only fits approximately 25 and may charge
         3. Work with GL AD for school site
      4. Pictures Scheduled
         1. Bleachers will be pulled out
      5. Field Cleanup – April 12th 1 PM – Becky will take the lead
         1. 37 volunteers signed up
         2. Clean out dugout
         3. Flag holes
         4. Field 5 has marker/graffiti on it
      6. Opening Day Carnival/Ceremony
         1. Food trucks approved as long as inspection is sent to Richland Township Fire Chief ASAP
            1. Trying to do four dinner and two dessert trucks
            2. Two confirmed – Saint Samuel’s and Hey Dude BBQ
            3. Frosty Boy (Kazoopy’s not bring pizza truck only ice cream) and Waz Dog (specialty hot dog truck) not confirmed to date
            4. Looking for a pizza truck
            5. None require a downpayment
            6. Will clarify if giving back to the league
            7. Plan for $5 voucher for each player; last year approximately $2000 spent on food
            8. Want to promote in advance – signs at park/fields, e-mail blast, Facebook
         2. Spirit wear flier is already complete and being communicated
         3. Will plan to cancel if inclement weather
      7. Upcoming Dates of Importance
         1. 3/15 - D2 & D15 Rule Clinic at 12 pm – in Vicksburg
         2. 3/23 - Coach’s Meeting – Location TBD
         3. 4/1 - First Day of Practices
         4. 4/6 from 4-5 pm - Umpire Clinic
         5. 4/13 from 10-11 am - Umpire Clinic
         6. 4/23 - Pictures
         7. 4/24 - Pictures
         8. 4/25 - Opening Day
      8. Constitution updated – separated out positions/VPs, added scheduling position
   2. VP Baseball (Open)
   3. VP Softball (Sarah McCray) – NONE
   4. VP Coach Pitch/T-ball (Greg Feathers)
      1. Texted coaches
   5. Player Agent – Baseball/Softball/T-ball (Geneva Blocker)
      1. Waiting on four late additions
      2. Finalizing some team switches
      3. Working on binders
      4. Uniform lists sent out for any corrections – shirts should be handed out prior to pictures (consider at practices)
      5. Had a couple withdrawal; need to get updated rosters out
   6. Treasurer (Matt Morgan) – Financial Update
      1. Registration fees down $4300 from last year
      2. Everything has been deposited
   7. Scheduler (Joe Pant)
      1. Would like to send out an e-mail to coaches for preferred time slots for practices – will be able to manage on Sports Connect; include fields 1-8 only; need to get schedule to the township before 4/1
   8. Safety Officer (Julia Terpening)
      1. Safety Plan finished – will be submitting to the league
         1. Becky will follow-up if can have electronically versus binders (or part of it sent electronically) – needs to be available in an emergency
         2. Weather policy needs updated in the Safety Plan
         3. Concession stand safety plan needs to be included even if we do not run – will e-mail Becky what needed
      2. CPR training – discussed options as below but deferred decision until future meeting
         1. In-person – $590 for up to 10 participants, additional $45 for each additional participant
         2. Multiple online options – one free (2-3 hours), $103 for 10 participants (shorter options)
         3. David’s option – $50 per person (four-hour class on 3/22)
         4. First aid training option for coaches – there is a kit from AHA ($725); no certification but does the training
      3. First aid kits – samples available for review
         1. Plan to purchase enough for each team plus a few extras; will make own for golf cart
         2. Purchase nicer kits and update the supplies/remove expired items each year
            1. 4 All Promos 98 pc first aid kit in easy sorting bag – Joe motioned, Geneva seconded, board approved kits and purchase

$1121.83 (product with shipping); $854.50 for product alone (logo will be added to the bags)

* + - 1. Need more than one ice pack per bag
    1. Will start on background checks once receive list from Geneva
  1. WebMaster/Information Officer (Luke Reames)
     1. Geneva will send teams once finalized
     2. Will discuss previous overcharges/refunds via e-mail
  2. Sponsorship/Uniforms (David Blocker)
     1. Still need between 15-20 sponsors
     2. Brady e-mailing shirt options
  3. Fundraising Coordinator (Jenni Pant)
     1. Dine to Donate
        1. $110 from Kazoopy’s
        2. Qdoba is next
        3. PureMex backed out
        4. Reached out to Roxie’s for a date
        5. Will reach out to The Dock
        6. Continue to promote/get the word out – consider to put on boards at churches
     2. Raffle license – put in a pre-approval application
     3. Growlers
        1. Fully booked for 6/14 date
        2. Booked 50:50 raffle only ($750 for a downpayment)
        3. Tested out numbering and does work – Jenni will go manually through the data once all tickets bought to identify the most selling team
        4. First pitch – anyone who is attending the game player/child will be entered into a drawing (random selection); backup will be to pick a player from the top selling team
        5. Promoting/getting the word out – will need to number all the teams once all team finalized; QR code for a Google sheet that will pull up Team number and has instructions; Jenni will reach out to coaches via Group Me and will have flyers at coaches meeting
        6. Growlers contact to speak at Opening Day and mascot be there as well
        7. Will have a table at Opening Day
     4. Car wash interested again this year – Jenni will reach out; will all be electronic this year
  4. Secretary (Mary Beckman) – NONE
  5. Equipment Manager (Matt Zerilli)
     1. Equipment has been ordered
        1. Purchased one left-handed and three right-handed sofball catcher’s gloves
        2. All ball and scorebooks purchased and arrived
     2. Has all team numbers and will get bags together
  6. Umpire In Chief (Lance McCray)
     1. Age normally 13 years and above but have some 11 and 12 year olds who are interested – could train as a field umpire on machine pitch for $10 per game versus $25 per game; would be a feeder program to get them more experience; parents would need to be present
     2. Still need to push for more umpires
     3. Two training days set up
     4. Older divisions get first pick then down

1. Old Business: No Update
2. New Business/Items to be discussed during next meeting

6. Open Forum:

a. Next meeting – Sunday, April 13, 2025 at 6:30 pm at Jaspare’s

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm – Greg motioned to adjourn, Matt Z. seconded, board approved.

Minutes taken by: Mary Beckman