



# COLLEYVILLE BASEBALL ASSOCIATION APRIL MEETING MINUTES

19 April 2009

6:00 PM, Market Street

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1. CALL TO ORDER - John Buesing called the meeting to order.
2. BOARD OF DIRECTORS ROLL CALL - Greg Stevens called roll. All members were present with the exception of Craig Johnson.
3. SECRETARY - Greg Stevens recognized a guest, Wally Pitts, a 10U coach who was attending as an observer.
4. TREASURER - Julie O'Keefe provided current financial statements for the association and led discussion regarding those financial statements.
5. COMMISSIONER - Kelly O'Neil provided All-Star team selection procedures. Those procedures were discussed and will be implemented for all-star coach and player selections for the current season.
6. VICE-PRESIDENT - Rick Rawlings led discussion on several topics:
  - A. 8U select – Mr. Rawlings stated that based on recent conversations with Grapevine and Southlake league representatives, there is no interest in creating an 8U select league amongst our associations. Wes Lansford stated that he did not believe NTI will provide this in the near future either. As the CBA desires to provide a competitive option for 7U and 8U players, Rick Rawlings and Kelly O'Neil will draft and circulate a proposed procedure for implementing a combined 7U / 8U age group with two divisions – one pure recreational and another that is designed for more advanced players.
  - B. Rec pitch count – consensus of the board was that pitch counts should be implemented, and that the general guideline would be age multiplied by 5, with the pitcher allowed to finish the batter if their maximum is reached mid-batter. Pitch counts will be implemented for the upcoming fall season. John Buesing will investigate both Little League and Pony rules on required rest and provide a recommendation on required rest between pitching appearances at the next board meeting, when a pitch count rule will be finalized for the upcoming fall season.
  - C. Rec play time – Mr. Rawlings led discussion regarding excessive bench innings. After discussion amongst the board, the current CBA rules were amended by action of the CBA Commissioner to include the following: "No player shall sit for two or more consecutive defensive innings."
7. TRAVEL TEAMS - Wes Lansford stated that NTI coaches applications for the fall season would be due July 10 and the coaches selected at the July 13 board meeting.
8. UMPIRES - James Taylor requested that any issues or questions involving umpires be sent to him.
9. CONCESSIONS - Lynda Duvall provided financial performance data for concessions to-date.
10. COMMUNICATIONS - Chuck Cunningham had nothing to report.
11. SCHEDULING - Shelly Sartin reported that all games rained out on April 17 and 18 have now been rescheduled.



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12. REGISTRATION - Paul Biesiadny discussed fall registration. Fall registration will be held August 8 and 15, with a targeted season start date of September 8. Mr. Biesiadny will contact the Colleyville Community Center to determine if it is available for fall registration dates.
13. FUNDRAISING - Shannon Campbell reported on the success of the Spring Festival.
14. TOURNAMENTS - Kelly Fontenot reported that an 8U division would be added to the June Trophy Hunter tournament. Mr. Fontenot also stated that the heart defibrillator had arrived and was being kept in the concession stand at City Park.
15. EQUIPMENT - Craig Johnson was not present. John Buesing and Rick Rawlings discussed Mr. Johnson's estimates for the construction of a new practice facility at Good Shepherd Catholic Church and for the renovation of the Bear Valley Community Church field. Mr. Buesing has discussed use of the Bear Valley field with a church representative, who indicated they were agreeable to allow CBA use of the field. Consensus among the board was that the CBA should initially undertake renovation at Bear Valley due to lower initial outlay and Bear Valley providing a larger overall facility. Moving forward on construction at Good Shepherd was tabled for future discussion. Mr. Buesing will provide a contract to Bear Valley that will document our agreement for use of the field before any renovations are undertaken.
16. PUBLICITY - Stacy Thorp had nothing to report.
17. PRESIDENT - John Buesing led discussion on several items:
  - A. Uniform upgrades – several parents have complained about being asked for additional monies for uniform upgrades. John Buesing will investigate the cost of upgrading all CBA uniforms to a new standard. It was also noted that the fall season coaches' meeting – and all those subsequent – should include a discussion on uniforms. Any coach who chooses to upgrade uniforms does so at their own personal expense and may not force any parent into contributing additional monies.
  - B. Grapevine / Southlake combined end of season tournament – both the Southlake and Grapevine associations have approached the CBA to combine end of season tournaments for various age groups. Consensus of the board was that this was not feasible due to field constraints, mis-alignment of dates with the other associations and having our own end of season tournament for the Colleyville league.
  - C. Mr. Buesing read a letter of complaint to the board written by Mrs. Lisa Bernardo.
18. EXECUTIVE SESSION
19. OLD BUSINESS – no old business was discussed.
20. NEW BUSINESS – the next board meeting was confirmed for May 17 at Market Street.
21. ADJOURN - Greg Stevens motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Shelly Sartin and passed via a unanimous show-of-hands vote.