

West Madison Little League
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Sunday, September 18, 2011

Members Present: Lenocho, Hunter , Heneghan, Jordan, Norton, Compton, Chitwood, Zwaska, Tomczak, Metcalf, Newburg, Steeves, Miller, Battista. **Absent:** Wood, Smith

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Pres. Heneghan at 6:30 PM

Prior Meeting Minutes: Motion, second to approve the August, 2011 minutes. Carried.

Financial Reports: Tomczak reported on the various account balances. Zwaska reported on the Budget Tracking Report through Aug 31. Zwaska and Heneghan then reviewed the proposed budget for 2011-12 fiscal year. Following discussion, motion by Miller, second by Norton to accept the proposed budget. Carried unanimously. It was noted that Compton will be developing a proposal for an Umpire Supervisory position for 2012 (training, supervising and advising, and serving as a backup if an umpire is absent). General agreement to amend the budget if this proposal is accepted in the future. Battista reported that the margin generated from hosting the State 9-10 Tournament was just under \$2000.

Operations Reports:

Fall Ball Update -- Norton reported on Fall Ball registrations, which stand at about 675. All else is in order. He reviewed a concern about the the "10-run mercy rule" in the Jr and Sr Fall Ball leagues. Following discussion, it was decided to leave as is for this season and re-evaluate over the winter by the Baseball Operations Committee.

Administrative Reports:

-- **President's Report:** Heneghan reported the latest brick order is in. He also commented on the new concealed carry weapon law that will take effect 11-1-11 in Wisconsin. WMLL has the right to determine its own policy for both employees and the public while on the WMLL grounds, but must post the policy at all normal entry points to the complex. Following discussion, Miller moved, Metcalf seconded, to move forward on a "no weapons" policy, notice and appropriate signage for the 2012 regular season. Carried. Heneghan will follow up on new law to determine posting requirements.

-- **VP-Baseball Report:** no report.

-- **VP Softball Report:** no report

-- **Exec. Director Report:** no report

Other Business:

-- **Annual Board Dinner:** the annual board dinner is set for Sept. 25, 6:30 PM, at Biaggi's on Junction Rd.

-- **Annual Meeting Plans:** Heneghan reviewed the meeting plans set for Oct. 8, 9:00 AM at Vitense. Board members up for election this year are Chitwood, Heneghan, Lenocho, Norton and Wood. Wood has indicated he will not run for re-election. Steve Hagens has indicated a willingness to run for Wood's position and serve as Atlantic Lg Coordinator, if elected. Heneghan also asked each current board member to be present at the meeting, if possible. Battista and Zwaska encouraged the board to suggest a proposed bylaw change at the annual meeting that would allow WMLL to hold the Annual Meeting on ANY date in October (currently must be the first or second Saturday in Oct). This would allow more flexibility in getting financial reports prepared and possibly encourage higher attendance. General agreement to make this proposal at the Annual Meeting, which would then be voted on at the 2012 Annual Mtg.

-- **Next Meeting Date Change:** Battista suggested the Oct 16 board meeting be moved to Oct 23 to allow more time after the annual meeting to prepare. Agreement to do so as proposed.

-- **Homerun Derby Fund Raiser:** Heneghan and Zwaska reported on a request from the Mascitti family to use the Major field for a fundraiser homerun derby in October for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Agreement by all to allow this activity and to make a donation from WMLL.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM

Next Meeting: Sunday, Oct 23, 6:30 PM, Vitense