

Davidson County Babe Ruth League

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Minutes for January 13, 2009

Members Present

- ❖ Arcadia: Crystal Cass, Wayne Everhart
- ❖ Churchland: Mark Simmerson
- ❖ Davis Townsend: Jon Hill, Jarret Cope, Terry Leonard
- ❖ Midway: Todd Weavil, Rod Bradley, Don Lanfried
- ❖ Reeds: Jimmy Hamblin
- ❖ Welcome: Wayne Briggs, Will Rogers

Call to Order

The meeting was held at Reeds and Jimmy Hamblin called the meeting to order at 6:35pm

Administrative

- ❖ Lee Scott will remain Softball Commissioner
- ❖ Winston Salem PONY Team: Board agreed for team to remain in DCBRL all games will be played in Davidson County~Jimmy Hamblin will take care of contacting Lamont Fletcher

Old Business from meeting on 11/11/08

- ❖ Pitching machines for Rookie girls division: the board discussed using the wheel machine and the spring-loaded machine. The coach would operate the machine instead of the umpires. All board members will vote on the matter at the next meeting.
- ❖ Umpire fees: The board discussed ways to cut down cost regarding umpires. The board agreed for only one umpire during rookie division games. The board agreed to put the umpires on a pay scale according to experience.

Baseball / Softball

- ❖ Countywide spring baseball and softball sign ups will be held on Sunday February 8, 2009 from 2-4 and on Thursday February 12, 2009 from 6:30-8:00. Practice will start March 17, 2009 and games will start on April 16, 2009. Games for Major boys, Junior boys and Junior girls will begin on April 18, 2009 being played on weekends until school ball is over. Games will be played at all fields on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and some Saturdays. In the event games are called due to rain, they will be played on Wednesdays and Sunday afternoons. The board discussed games on Saturdays for all divisions. One Saturday the boys and girls Rookie divisions will play, the next Saturday the boys and girls Minor divisions, and so forth. That way it should only be one or two Saturdays for each division.
- ❖ Jarret Cope agreed to help with scheduling
- ❖ March 15 & 16, 2009 will be the turn in dates for field availability and team rosters.
- ❖ DCBRL board members agreed to place a free ad in the Dispatch with Mark Simmerson being the contact person. Mark will direct all calls to the proper Booster Club. Jimmy Hamblin agreed to take care of placing the ad.
- ❖ There will be NO schedule changes. No calls are to be made to Mike Darrow. Requests must be made through the booster clubs and then addressed to Jimmy Hamblin.
- ❖ All communities will need a list of school functions at the next meeting for Mike to make the schedule.
- ❖ The board discussed moving from Western NC to Eastern NC for softball tournaments. No decision was made.
- ❖ We discussed girls playing pitcher having to wear a facemask for safety. No motions were made.
- ❖ Fundraisers for DCBRL were discussed. We talked about hosting preseason tournaments at all communities. All communities would participate at each tournament. DCBRL benefiting from the gate and the community benefiting from concession sales.
- ❖ Countywide Coaches meeting is scheduled for Sunday March 15, 2009 at Welcome Elementary School 2pm for softball and 3pm for baseball.

Liability Insurance

- ❖ The board had a discussion about coaches not being covered under the community's insurance policy. A Coach was injured during a game at Arcadia ballfields. He has had to go through several surgeries. Only to find out that no coach is covered under the field liability policy. Communities will discuss with their booster club and see if we can get coaches added to the policies.

All Star Teams

- ❖ All Star games will begin the last week of June. Each team should bring a list of perspective all star coaches to the next BR meeting which will be Monday February 9, 2009 at 6:30 at Randy's Restaurant in Welcome.

Rule Changes

- ❖ Rookie Boys will not be allowed to bundt.

New Business

- ❖ The board talked about where DCBRL is now and where we want it to be. Don Lanfried brought up televising some games. We talked about ways to make DCBRL better than County ball.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm. The next meeting will be Monday February 9, 2009 at 6:30 at Randy's Restaurant in Welcome. List of school functions will need to be brought for scheduling.

Respectfully submitted, Crystal Cass Secretary

