

Mathews Little League Board Meeting

February 6, 2024 | Dehoux Household



Board of Directors in Attendance: Rachel Dehoux, Jonathan Dehoux, Holt Ripley (President), Stacy Swords, Tracy Elliott, Robert Hudgins, Gary Smith, Brandon Haywood, Nathan Lowe, Daniel Mitchem, Lindsay Owsley, Gary Smith

Not in attendance: Leah Hurst, Joshua Thomas, Matt Linaweaver, Heather Bundy

- A. Call to order
 - Holt R. called the meeting to order at 7:15
- B. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - Robert H. motioned and Stacy S. seconded, the motion passed.
- C. Treasurer's Report
 - Dominion Energy billing is high for December. Rachel D. is following up with Dominion on actual usage vs estimate.
- D. President Remarks
 - Completed grant request from the Rotary Club
 - Mathews Foundation has a grant request form we can fill out for a capital request
 - Mathews High School contacted Leah H. about using the softball field for JV softball
 - Leah H told the coach she could use it in February, but once March hits it may run into our practices
 - Holt R. will reach out to the Athletic Director to learn more about how they'd like to use the facilities
 - Anyone outside of the county will pay a fee for field use
 - The old paperwork stated \$50 an hour, \$500 a month. There's a sliding scale for how many Mathews players are on the team.
- E. Members / Guests Open Forum
 - No outside Little League members or guests present.
- F. Old Business
 - Sponsorships
 - The board discussed the possible tiers
 - Bronze - \$200: logo on website and one Facebook post
 - Silver - \$500: Bronze, framed cert, and window decal, 1 field banner
 - Gold - \$750: Silver, Bronze, plaque w/team photo, name & logo on shirts, opening day merch booths, corp adv on Facebook page in fall & spring
 - Platinum – \$1,250: all tiers two-year gold team sponsorship
 - The board discussed putting the tiers into rotation next year and shortening the tiers for this season.
 - The board talked about putting the sponsor's name on the front of the jersey and having it be the team's name
 - Bronze: \$200 business name and logo on website, one post on Facebook
 - Silver: \$500 bronze + banner for spring & fall, cert, window decal
 - Gold: \$750 team
 - Plaque w/team photo, booth at opening day, ~\$800 for jerseys/hat/socks for the team
 - MLL will need to supply a waiver to the businesses to hold MLL harmless

- Information on when to arrive and when to breakdown and where to go
- Holt R. motioned and Rachel D. seconded approving the sponsorship tiers, the motion passed
- Collateral
 - The board will go through the collateral in the sheds on the workday
 - The Medicine Shop used to have a sign for open registration
- Registration Update
 - 84 registrants online, 20 paper registrations
 - Volunteer coaches & asst coaches turn in forms by 2/24
- Skill Day Planning
 - Break it up by those who have never played minors before
 - At least an hour and a half per age group
 - Send coaches an email to get together at Dehoux's prior to March 2nd
 - Wednesday, February 21st and Monday, February 26th
- Workday Planning
 - The board postponed discussion the workday until next meeting.
- Facilities
 - Additional Field Needs
 - Practice base pricing
 - Equipment Shed Update
 - Joe will work the 1st week of March to update what is needed
 - Walsh Electric Estimate Update
 - The board received a quote for the lights
 - Jonathan D. will text them tomorrow to ask when things will get done
 - Scoreboard Update
 - Both scoreboards have arrived and posts have been painted
 - Sewage/Septic Update
 - No update since last meeting
 - Batting Cage Quote
 - 37'x14', ~\$300 for shipping & \$500 for the turf
 - Turf life is approx. 8yrs
 - Holt R. and Stacy S seconded purchasing turf, the motion passed.
 - Facilities Committee Update
 - The ditches need to be cleaned out.

G. New Business

- Uniform cost prior year
 - 26 hats \$15 hat
 - \$10,128 for jerseys/socks
- AED pads were replaced
 - Nate L. is looking into pediatric pads

H. Adjournment

- Holt R. adjourned at 9:00pm