



California 4 Little League



Ted Boet, District Administrator

<http://llcad4.org>

Little League - Intermediate League - Junior League - Senior League - Big League - Challenger Division

2016 February Meeting Minutes

Meeting to Order: 7:00 February 19th, Farm Bureau Office, Concord.

League Attendance: Albany, Antioch, Concord American, Continental, East County, Lafayette, NO/SOLL, Martinez, Pinole Hercules, Pittsburg, Richmond, and Walnut Creek

Public Address:

- Smart & Final came to discuss store options, and had out booklets.

Reports:

Ted Boet - District Administrator

- Thank you to D4 staff for attending the Western Region Roundtables
 - Roundtable Roundup
 - 1 – Player playing in more than 1 division @ same time -> not ideal for younger players
 - 2 – President okay to manage All-Star teams -> doesn't see an issue
 - 3 – 50/70 & up eliminating on deck batter -> agrees
 - 4 – Baseball & High School must stay in batter's box -> doesn't see an issue
 - 5 – Fake bunt with full swing player would be out -> most likely won't pass
 - Announcing All Stars teams after 60% of the season is completed by team and player -> will pass
 - Adding a year to All-Stars -> probably will pass
 - Biggest Issue – what to do with teenage baseball? -> majority leaning to eliminate Junior Program, also allow 19 years olds in Big League
 - Answers to come about April
- New Little League website League Finder -> people can put in their address and website tells them what league they are supposed to be in
 - Displays boundaries by District and League
 - Please verify boundaries
- Newsletter and Special Tournaments forms passed out to all leagues.
 - Special Tournaments' fees can be paid next season with Regular Season Dues
 - Also, who wants to host tournaments

Geoffrey Shiu - ADA

- Little League Museum – free admission for all current and former military members
- 2016 Significant rule changes
 - 4.15 travesty of game
 - Operating Manual to Operating Policies in Rule Books
 - Softball pitcher must approach the pitching rubber with hands apart
 - Tournament temp replacement of manager/coach must be entered in Affidavit
- 2016 Clarifications
 - Board must schedule at least 12 regular season games against other Little League teams within their respective division
 - CBOSBA pitcher, withdrawn from the game for a substitute offensively or defensively may not re-enter the game as a pitcher.

- Softball field....a minimum of 180 feet and maximum of 225 feet
- A tournament map signed by league president/district admin and dated
- 2018 Non-Wood & Laminated Bats
 - BPF 1.15 not allowed
 - Junior League and Below
 - USA Baseball Performance Standard
- On-Line Mapping
 - LLU has an online mapping tool to help determine addresses are within a league's boundaries
- Little League News
 - \$4Million per year Little League gives in grants
 - Ted -> if league writes a grant, send to Ted and he will review and send it in
 - (1) Ask membership if anyone writes grants – it's a special talent
 - Specializing in one sport results increased injuries/burnout
 - Easton extends partnership to 2022
- Region Roundtables
 - West and Southwest completed
 - Southeast, East, and Central coming up
 - Headquarters & Region Staff sits in on discussions
- California State Tournaments
 - No longer Division 2 &3
 - Northern California State Tournament
 - Southern California State Tournament

Don Waddell - Chief Umpire

- Attended all 3 Western Region Little League Umpire Training
- If any volunteers went from our league, please have league reimburse them
- Rule Books should be handed out to volunteers
- Clinics – thanks to PHLL for hosting
- WC to host next, 72 students, capping at 80
 - Encourage everyone to pre-register
- Softball Rules Clinic – encourage all to attend
 - New format
- 3/6 Umpire Mechanics Clinic – encourage people to register
 - Mostly JR umps registered, would like more adults to register too
- 3/5 Big Diamond Clinic – NO/SOLL hosting – visit their website

Liz Berg - Safety Officer

- ASAPs – some leagues are uploaded & not received
- ASAP deadlines extended to 02/29/2016 to still get Lewis Points
- Per Ted -> if ASAPs are not uploaded, League will be charged \$100
 - ➔ If plan and rosters (coaches and players need to be on roster) are not uploaded by 03/07/2016, league is ineligible for TOC

Don Mayjoffo - Little League Baseball ADA

- Needs all Baseball Rep contact info
- Assumes all drafts are completed
- Get rosters into ASAP right away
- All Leagues interleagueing use the Green Book Rules

David Preuss – Teenage Baseball ADA

- Teenage Baseball Meeting went well
- Martinez, Albany, and East County are not interleagueing

- 5 leagues have both 50/70 and JR to interleague
 - Also interleague with D53 for only 50/70
- Preliminary Schedules have been sent out

Carla Moore - Softball ADA

- Softball meeting about interleague didn't go so well.
 - League sizes fluctuate, so we need to work together so everyone gets games.
- Per Little League no 6 year olds in player pitch without waiver
- Interleague Rules to be used all season, and in TOC.
- Pittsburg to have a Senior Softball team
- Showed Yard signs, a good way to promote your Little League
 - 500 signs for \$300
 - Have volunteers and members put signs in their yards
- Antioch to host Queen of the Diamond – 4/16 - 4/17
- Pittsburg to host Mid Season Classic – 04/30 – 05/01
- Next Meetings
 - Rules clinic 3/3 @ UC Extension building
 - All managers and coaches must attend to go over all Softball Rules
 - Scheduling Meeting -> 02/21 – Sunday – 12:00 @ UC Extension building
 - Start with Seniors and work down
- Per Ted -> scheduling is worst day of the year
 - No league in D4 can be self contained with softball
- Martinez will help other leagues with ideas for growing their programs
- Next year, if leagues combine play, player must still register with their home league

Fred Flint - Challenger ADA

- 4/24 Challenger Jamboree -> Walnut Creek Heather Farms
 - Donations are still needed
 - More volunteers are still needed
 - Everyone is invited to come out and join in

Alan Hatcher - Special Projects ADA

- Not Present

Valerie Potts - Secretary

- Nothing to report

Comments:

- Next meeting – March 15th @ 7:30 ***Dues are due***

Meeting Adjourned: 9:16 PM