



California District 4

Little League – Junior League – Senior League – Challenger

March 20, 2018 District 4 Meeting



Meeting Called to Order: 7:32pm, Farm Bureau Hall, 5554 Clayton Road, Concord.

Staff Attendance: Ted Boet, Geoff Shiu, Don Waddell, Liz Berg, Marco Rosen, Phil Raines, Stephen Mohammed, Carla Moore

League Attendance: Albany, Alameda, Antioch, Clayton Valley, Concord American, Continental, East County, Martinez, North/South Oakland, Pinole Hercules, Richmond, Walnut Creek

Guest of Honor: Don Mayjoffo, served on the District 4 Board as the LL Baseball ADA for 15 years (7 years with past District Administrator Ernie Lewis, 8 years with District Administrator Ted Boet), He has served for 49 years with Antioch Little League. Thank you for your many years of service.

Safety Officer, Liz Berg:

- **ASAP** - One league needs to make corrections, all other leagues are good
- **Background Checks** – Albany, Continental and Antioch have submitted a some; Antioch is getting charged for theirs – will be contacted
If a Volunteer refuses to do the background check it is the same as if they are refusing to go on the field (they cannot manage, coach, umpire, etc.)
Help Line – is a person, very helpful
DA Ted expects at least 3 background checks per team per league should have been submitted already, league umpires, board of directors also need background checks, Most Leagues have not met these minimums, two leagues are at 100%.
- **Injuries** – Please send a copy of the report to Liz if it is a concussion, broken ??, go to the doctor, physically removed from the field. Do not send a report if it is a scratch, or something just as minor.

Softball ADA, Phil Raines:

- **Rainouts** – it is up to the leagues to reset the games; it was announced at the Softball Rules Clinic **ONLY** the Home Team can cancel a game due to rain.
- **“No Shows”** - One incident where a team has been a “No Show”: Pittsburg LL Majors
- **Contact Information** - Most of the teams is on the D4 Website – PLEASE send updates to me, it will be added to the website

Little League Urban Initiative Northern California Softball Jamboree

- April 20th – April 22nd, hosted by Richmond LL
- Participating Teams – Richmond LL, San Bernardino, Sacramento (Airport LL), and Stockton (Eastern LL)
- Jim Rose of the D4 Umpire Staff will arrange for the umpires
- Mark Torres – tables and chairs for the lunch on Saturday, volunteers for scorekeeping, snack bar, etc.

LL Baseball ADA, Marco Rosen:

- **Interleague Forms** – GET these completed, none are in the system and yet there are leagues playing
- **Combined Teams** – 6 teams have been approved
NO/SOLL – Juniors, Intermediate, Senior Baseball; Continental/Walnut Creek – Minor, Major Softball; Concord American/Continental Baseball



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- **Manage Forms – LL DATA Center**

Click on Interleague Play – must have the other leagues ID# (DA Ted passed these out tonight) to complete the form. Both leagues must complete the form before it is approved, this is true for play with teams from other districts

Walnut Creek and Continental said they had entered the info for their Interleague play – did not show on Ted's screen, he will check into it

Challenger ADA, Stephen Mohammed:

- **Challenger Jamboree** - Please send in your donations to DA Ted Boet; Thank you to those leagues who have given – Albany, Continental, Lafayette, Martinez
- **Activity Booths** – leagues Please put together a activity booth for when the kids aren't playing. Ex: Shoot Hoops, Bean Bag Toss, coloring, painting, etc.
- **Game Times** – an email will be sent to the leagues
- **Regular Season Games** – No Make Up games for Rain Outs; Alameda does not have Rain Outs
- **Oakland A's Challenger Day** – Saturday, June 9th, afternoon game, \$20 per person, sitting in the first deck

Chief Umpire ADA, Don Waddell:

- **Rules Clinics** – Thank you to Martinez LL for hosting the Jr. Umpire Clinic, almost double last year's attendance. 2nd year for some of the attendees. I hope for 50 youth next year!
Last clinic is this Sunday, March 25th, 9am at Caldecott for Big Field Mechanics, fields are near the tunnel off of Hwy 24.
- **Questions** – I have received some about rules:
Try to work out the issues within your league first, I'm not there so I may not give the correct information for the issue
- **League Rules** – Thank you for submitting, we will continue to do this each year to help you; three District 4 Umpires reviewed the submitted rules, helped Martinez LL to put together a structured and detailed set of rules
- **Post Season Umpiring for Youth** – youth need to be recommended by their Chief Umpire for Post Season Games, they will then be placed in the schedule

Assistant District Administrator, Geoff Shiu:

- **Due Date Items and Other Items required of Presidents** – Thank you for all your time and work you give to LL
- **Thank you** – Don't forget to thank your volunteers, anytime you pass by a volunteer say thank you; do something for them at the end of the season, as simple as a BBQ at your ball fields, play a ball game, have some music, Have some FUN!!!
You want to promote "Community" during the youth sport activity
You don't have to pay people to get things done
We trust the program, Believe in it!
- **Oakland A's Little League Days** – Sundays: April 22nd and May 6th
Group (15 or more) **Ticket Seating** – contact Alissa Perischetti, info in newsletter
Uniforms – Little league players wear their uniform w/correct patch, **it distinguishes them from other organizations**

District Administrator, Ted Boet:

- **Patches** – I attended the Opening Day ceremonies for Concord American and Antioch Little Leagues, every player had their patches, **Thank you**
San Bernardino – has them in supply now, **GET** them for your **All Star** uniforms **NOW!!**



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- **Three items DUE tonight!**
Two tournament forms – Hosting games and Teams
League Dues – Only two leagues have not paid – Antioch and Clayton Valley
- **Scholarships** – Please send a list of the youth's names (only their names) who have received scholarships from your league to me, this list is worth Lewis Points to the league
- **Child Abuse/Sexual Abuse - Youth towards Minors** – as of February 14, 2018 it is a Criminal Offense if you are aware of the abuse and don't report it you can be held liable.
- **U.S. Center for SAFESPORT** (information handed out tonight) – Online course offered, I recommend all Managers, Coaches and Board of Directors take the course
LL Protection Program
- **Concussion Protocol** – last year it was required for all Post Season managers and coaches to complete the online course, approximately 20-30 minutes.
Everyone should do it NOW for the season
Locate on the D4 website – Forms Tab
It is mandatory in California when you play games on school or state property
It will be **REQUIRED** of All Star Managers and Coaches
- **LL University** – Lots of good stuff for managers, coaches and parents
When you have a free moment check it out. There are videos, articles, and more. It is a good source of information.
- **Opening Day Ceremonies** - Clayton Valley LL will hold theirs this Saturday, everyone else have held theirs

Next Meeting: April 17th, 2018 - TBD