



California District 4

Little League – Intermediate League - Junior League –
Senior League – Challenger
May 17, 2022 District 4 Meeting



Meeting Called to Order: 7:30 pm, at UCCE – Contra Costa, 2380 Bisso Lane, Concord

Staff Attendance: Ted Boet, Geoff Shiu, Liz Berg, Phil Raines, Candido Anicete, Carla Moore

League Attendance: Alameda, Albany, Clayton Valley (Laura), Concord American, Continental, Lafayette, Martinez, Pinole Hercules, Pittsburg, Richmond

Also in attendance: Shannon Self (Walnut Creek LL)

District Administrator Ted Boet:

- Handed out to the Presidents in attendance: Verified All Star Player paperwork
- Introduced the District 4 Staff

Assistant District Administrator and LL Baseball ADA, Geoff Shiu:

- We had four District 4 Umpires at the Western Region Tournaments, two for Softball and one for Baseball. They represented us well. Softball: Norm Downing – Pittsburg LL, Jim Rose – Martinez LL and Mark Oda - Pinole Hercules LL; Baseball – Marco Rosen.
- Please send me the contact information for your LL Baseball Reps: Name, Cell Phone, E-mail address
- Please let me know if you want to Interleague or Not. Possibly you could help with a few games for those seeking them.
- Please let me know when Opening Day for LL Baseball is for your league
- D4 Staff will provide you with dates/information for events they will be holding. Please keep at hand when your league starts scheduling your events. Do not set a date for your league that will prevent them from participating with D4 Staff. Training Dates will be announced as they are scheduled. Please allow your managers, coaches, umpires, league members to attend by not scheduling conflicts.

Softball ADA, Phil Raines:

- The seven leagues who have softball please send me the contact information for your Softball Reps.
- I want to talk with the Reps about their wants/needs prior to speaking with outside leagues.
- Senior Softball – I propose having a District All Star Team. Reps and I can discuss. Would have a stronger team when playing outside of our District. A lot of Districts have gone to this format.
- Rules Meeting and Scheduling Meeting will be in February
- Rule changes are in this month's newsletter

Safety Officer ADA, Liz Berg:

- Used my Safety Officer duties in Williamsport.
- Collectively a quiet year other than a few minor injuries. No complaints about dangerous situations at fields.
- If you do encounter something please email me and I will try to work with them.
- Leave the Pandemic section in your ASAP just in case.
- Please send contact info for your league's ASAP rep. Last year I had to chase it down.
- I am always available to help with your ASAP. Contact me anytime.
- Live Scan – I will be certified as a roller to conduct the scans. My services will be available to all leagues.

Secretary, Carla Moore:

- Presidents – please send your Board of Directors contacts to me. I will disburse to the District 4 Staff.

DA Ted Boet:

- Data Center – keep your league's information up to date. In past years I've gone in and found information of people that were no longer members of the league's board.
League Officers is the same as Board of Directors



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- This year District 4 was represented by four umpires at the higher levels of Post Season play.
 - a. Marco Rosen – Little League Baseball West Region
 - b. Norm Downing (Pittsburg LL) – Little League Softball West Region
 - c. Jim Rose (Martinez LL) – Little League Softball West Region
 - d. Mark Oda (Pinole Hercules LL) – Little League Softball World Series. Mark had the called a No-Hitter.
- New D4 Staff member and Staff member role changes:
 - a. Candido Anicete: Assistant Umpire-in-Chief Baseball. 2017 - Home Plate at Little League Baseball West Region
 - b. Jim Rose: Assistant Umpire-in-Chief Softball and Training Coordinator.
 - c. Geoff Shiu: ADA Little League Baseball and ADA. Had Home Plate at Little League Baseball World Series.

Assistant ADA Chief Umpire Baseball, Candido Anicete:

- 2 Day Umpire Clinic: I've asked West Region for District to host a Section-wide 2 day clinic to help umpires to move up in abilities.

DA Ted Boet:

- President Packets: Inside are the following items:
 - a. Dues for 2023: \$35 per team chartered, used information from Data Center
 - b. Tournament Fine: for making changes to preferences originally submitted for Post Season Tournaments
 - c. Documentation Fee: Photocopies made on Verification Day
 - d. Meeting Fine: Managers/Coaches not attending TOC and All Star meetings
 - e. West Region Donation
 - f. Travel Fund
 - g. Future Stars
 - h. TOC
 - i. All Stars
 - j. West Region Senior Baseball Tournament Donation; 10 or 11 leagues made donations
- Calendar: next month's District meeting – Vendor's Night will be on Tuesday, October 18th, at Alhambra High School.
 - a. There are 5 vendors at this time.
 - b. New Mecca Café will be the caterer.
 - c. Bring your Board members
 - d. Financial Statement (Income/Expenses) is Due
 - e. Board of Directors contact information is DUE
 - f. January – Taxes are DUE
 - g. March – League Dues are DUE
 - h. January – Tournament forms will be handed out
 - i. November 6th – Volunteer Thank You Luncheon to be held at the Martinez Yacht Club, Noon to 3pm. Kinder's will be catering.
 1. Send me the name of your Volunteer of the Year, awards are to be presented
 2. The West Region Director has been invited to attend
 3. All league presidents are invited to attend
 4. Two special awards will be presented: Ernie Lewis Dedicated Volunteer and the Bob Beberg Coaches Award (Bob was with Concord American Little League, coached Tom Candiotti)
- District Budget is in the Packet:
Leagues should also present a budget to their membership. Can be represented by a pie chart rather than how the District's has been presented.
- Disparity amongst the leagues in District 4: Small Leagues vs Large Leagues. I propose two All Star Tournaments.
 - a. Small Team/League: 12 teams or less in Little League Division of Baseball. Albany, Continental, Concord American, Pinole Hercules, Pittsburg, Richmond



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- b. Large Team/League: Alameda, Clayton Valley, East County, Lafayette, Martinez, North/South Oakland, Walnut Creek
- c. Since 2012 there have been 30 titles at 3 levels. One small league champion = 3% Antioch
30 Section titles
District 4 has 1 Section title One large league champion = 3 % Lafayette 8-10 in 2017
Last 10 seasons the only small league to win a championship was Antioch.
At section level one team in the last 10 years - Lafayette
- d. Teenage Baseball: Most leagues opt out of teenage baseball. There are 28 titles available. District 4 won 54% of them.

15 section champions		54%	
50/70	2	25%	NOLL and Alameda
Junior	5	50%	Walnut Creek and NOLL/SOLL
Senior	8	80%	Concord American and NOLL/SOLL
- Post season phone calls pertained to the Heat: would games be canceled. I will work on procedures with Liz.
 - a. High school rule: 105 degrees – cannot play or practice
 - b. I will track temperatures this summer
 - c. We may have to start tournaments one week sooner to allow for cancellations.
- District 4 is celebrating 65 years this year. Established in 1958. Geoff Shiu has been on the D4 board for 50% of the 65 years. District 4 is one of the original 33 Districts.
- Lewis Cup: Returning this year. Changes being made to it.
- Taxes: submit the 20-21 Tax Return to DA Ted Boet
- Merging leagues: Walnut Creek and Continental have filed paperwork with headquarters to merge their leagues. Please send the breakdown of 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 year old players in baseball for each league.

Adjourned: 9:17 pm

Next meeting: October 18, 2022, Vendors Night at Alhambra High School, Commons Area outside the Cafeteria;
Dinner will be served. Presidents please bring at least six people to meet with the Vendors.
Dinner: New Mecca Café of Pittsburg