



Tobyhanna Athletic Association

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Subject: Minutes of the Open Membership Meeting – November 2, 2008

In Attendance:

Erin Masker - President
Al Masker – Vice President
Shauna Denig – Secretary/Information Officer
Bruce Payan – Equipment Manager
Micky Denig – Treasurer/Secretary
Rob Rivera – Umpire in Chief
Joe Princetta – Safety Officer

Absent:

Steve Almquist – Coaching Coordinator
Angelo Giuffrida – Player Agent

Also in Attendance:

Meeting began at

Secretary's Report:

Shauna Denig read the minutes from the October 5 board meeting. Micky made motion to accept the minutes, Rob seconded. It was approved unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report:

Micky Denig presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of October in the new format from QuickBooks. The Income and Expense Report and the Statement of Financial Position were presented. Al Masker approved and Rob Rivera seconded it. Approved unanimously.

The Safety Officer's Report:

Joe Princetta spoke about purchasing heart shields and face guards to boost the confidence of players. All agreed that this was an important safety issue and will be revisited when we are ready to place our equipment order.

The Umpire in Chief's Report:

Rob Rivera spoke of Opening Day 2009 in making the day more of a carnival atmosphere with vendors setting up booths for a low charge of \$10 a day, magic shows, balloon sculptures, baseball games with adults and children. For the baseball game, he suggested that the kids umpire to make it more fun. Rob also mentioned the sponsors whom he is speaking with has decided to wait until spring season starts up.

The Vice President's Report:

Al Masker stated that all bats must be reinventoried to ensure compliance with little league regulations.

The President's Report:

Erin Masker asked that we switch the meetings back to Sunday evenings at 6:00pm. All agreed and we will return to 6:00pm meetings.

The Player Agent's Report:

Nothing to report.

The Coaching Coordinator's Report:

Nothing to report.

The Information Officer's Report:

Nothing to report.

The Equipment Manager's Report:

Nothing to report.

Other Business:

Erin spoke about pool play- which will allow the children to play 3 games instead of 2 games and then be out. Pool play is only for Minors and Majors. All agreed to go with pool play.

A discussion was held regarding allowing 14 years old to play up into the senior division. A vote was taken and it was approved 5:1, It was subsequently decided to be revisited once sign ups have been completed.

Erin is going to meet with the presidents at Pocono Mountain East and Pocono Mountain West to discuss the boundary revisions.

During tournaments it was discussed to possibly rotate the umpires to keep from showing favoritism towards any one team. More information on this will be coming.

Respectfully submitted:

Shauna Denig