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**Eastern Lehigh Valley
Softball League**
Established in 1989

ELV Org Rep & Board Meeting

November 11, 2018

Start Time: 7:00pm

End Time: 8:40pm

Roll Call

- Bethlehem Township - excused (received email)
- Bushkill Township - present
- Easton - present
- Forks Township - present
- Lower Nazareth - present
- Northeast - present
- Palisades - present
- Palmer Township - excused (received email)
- Pen Argyl - present
- Saucon Valley - present
- St. Jane's - present
- Upper Mount Bethel - present
- Upper Nazareth - present
- Williams Township – excused (received email)
- Wilson - present
- Wind Gap - present

No new applications to enter league

Discussions

Approval of meeting minutes from October 21, 2018 – approved - unanimous

Nominations for board for 2019 - no nominations – Approved - unanimous

Executive Board Moving Forward:

- Administrator – Mike DeMasi

- Fall Ball Administrator – Matt Seyfried
- Secretary – Heidi Deem
- Treasurer – Dennis Grube

Board & Statisticians Moving Forward:

- Pre K/K Statistician – Alex Jordan
- 1st/2nd Grade Statistician – Ray Zellner
- 3rd/4th Grade Statistician – Ann Weaver
- 5th/6th Grade Statistician – Bill Ryker
- 7th/8th/9th Grade Statistician – Bill Stocker
- Seniors Statistician – Joe Trudniak
- At Large Board Member – Greg Ehret

Financials – Dennis not present with actuals

\$15,000.00 – balance – estimation – Mike will get breakdown

Admin expenses will be minimal this year. No PIAA rule books, scorebooks, org rep/coaches will be provided. If anyone needs any materials, they will be printed and brought to any meeting.

League Fees - No raise in league fees – need to add a fee to ¾ level?

Miracle League

We would like to get a banner made for ELV to help with the Miracle League as well as a \$1,000.00 donation each year as affordable. - approved - unanimous

By-laws – Will work on changes as needed. - approved – unanimous. Don't have to meet and get approved for various meetings.

Metzger Tournament – Last weekend of June – tournament players will not be a deciding factor for moving the tournament. - possible to have more games on Friday night of tournament – would need fields – to be discussed further. One other problem is if we have an odd number of teams.

New levels – Stacking rules to apply to all levels – approved - 12-1

PK/K – t-ball 4-6 years old – similar rules as K/1st

1st/2nd grades – coach pitch – 11” optic yellow softie ball – similar rules as 2nd/3rd coach pitch

3rd/4th grades – Advanced – 11” optic yellow ball, pitch 35’, bases set at 55’ – rules will be a combination of 2nd/3rd Advanced rules and 4th/5th rules.

5th/6th grades – 12” optic yellow ball – pitch 40’, bases set at 60’ – similar rules as 6th/7th

7th/8th/9th grades – 12” optic yellow ball – pitch 43’, bases set at 60’ – similar rule as 8th/9th

Seniors – Same as last year – Players not to be 21, prior to July 1st.

Rules Committee will meet on December 8th @ 11:00am @ Northeast

Waiver Discussion & Illegal Players - Roster committee volunteers (BT, Bushkill, Forks, LN, Palmer, St Janes, UMBT, WMS, Wilson, WG) Will be formed if necessary

Territories & Field Location Updates - If issues committee volunteers (BT, Bushkill, Forks, LN, Palmer, St Janes, UMBT, WMS, Wilson, WG) Will be formed if necessary

Umpires - Discuss eliminating an umpire during the regular season for 7-9 and possibly Seniors. - Tabled

Need to talk to Jon Adams about umpires, rules, showing to game, etc. - Mike will have a sit-down meeting with Jon about umpires and our rules (especially strike zone)

Starting/Ending Dates

Spring season starting younger levels – week of April 22nd and running through the end of June. Older levels – mid May – making their own schedules

Amount of games to be determined after registration for each age level

Playoff dates will be determined after teams are set

Fall Ball – went well for most part, will look at evaluations for next year

To be discussed

Dennis will get full treasurer's report to share with all

No raise in league fees, but will need to figure addition of 3/4 and umpires

Upcoming Meetings

Sunday December 8, 11am at Northeast

Send out new rules to org reps – TBD

January – Org rep meeting to approve rule changes.