

## **Organizational Meeting**

February 11, 2017

Started at 12:35 PM

Closed at 2:30 PM (Northeast Fieldhouse)

### **Roll Call**

Bethlehem Township – Mike Palovich

Bushkill –Carol Anthony

Easton – Bill Stocker

Forks – Absent – Shawn Swartz

Lower Nazareth – Jared King

Northeast – Greg Ehret

Palisades – Bill Ryker (Absent-Ok) / Heidi Deem

Palmer – Paul Cinoa

Pen Argyl –Ann Weaver

Saucon Valley – Joe Trudnak

St. Jane – Joe Clymire

UMBT – Ariel Beltrano (Absent-Ok) / David Baggett

Upper Nazareth – Chad Forsyth

Williams – Eric Torgerson

Wilson – David Hoff

Wind Gap – Kevin Black

### **Old Business**

- 1) Confirmed in February meeting - Rich Sheffer is statistician at 2/3 levels, Ann Weaver is statistician at 4/5 levels, Gary Metzger is statistician at 6/7 levels. We still have this open at the upper levels.

### **2017 Liability Insurance**

Reminder, due before the start of the season. Few organizations already have 2017 evidence filed with the league, thanks. (Williams, Forks, UMBT, Wing Gap, Easton, Pen Argyl)

### **Treasure Report**

- 1) Only Fines is Forks for missing January and February meetings.

### **Admission of new members**

No immediate changes with on-going discussions with southern Lehigh and Phillipsburg.

### **2017 Sign-ups**

Look at all ways to market your softball organization, including flyers to schools, talking to current and past players. With cold months, girls are not thinking spring sports.

### **Season Dates**

4/5, 6/7, and 8/9B – April 25 through June 14

2/3 advanced, 2/3 coach pitch, K/1 (Tee) – May 5 through June 16

8/9A – May 15 to June 20

Seniors- May 22 to July 6

### **Playoffs**

4/5, 6/7 – June 19 through 22, Championship 26-28 (After Tournament)

8/9B - June 19 through 22, Championship 26-28 (After Tournament)

8/9A – June 26 – July 1

Seniors - July 8

### **Tournament**

June 23 – 25

2/3 Level – Wilson

4/5 Level – UN

6/7 Level – BT

8/9 Level – NE

### **Pitching Stats**

Gary will send response at all levels by 2/24.

### **Umpires Contract**

League is discussion with Jon Adams and BUA on umpire contract. Proposals by both organizations have been provided. Gary did work with both organizations to obtain final offers. The organization reps voted 15-1 to stay with Jon Adams due to assignment fee decreases and the last three years the overall service by the umpires was good, very few missed games.

### **Forks**

Vote as 11-4 to suspend Forks. Notice will be sent to Shawn Swartz. There is an appeal process back to the board. Details on Forks status will be presented in March Meeting.

## **2/3 Coach Pitch Rules**

2/3 Coach Pitch rules were presented, and with minor updates, approved 15-1

## **Meetings**

2/3 Advanced, 2/3 Coach Pitch, and K/1 will be at BTCC on 4/24. Room reserved from 6:30 to 9:00 pm. Details will be provided when we get closer on exact times for each group.

March Meeting for Org reps and optional for coaches is TBD. Maybe Saturday March 18 or March 25. Look for e-mail as we get closer.

Forms to be submitted:

Rosters, Waivers, Playing Fields, Bad Dates for Organization, Bad Dates for coaches.

8/9A rosters will be addressed during coach's meetings on Mya 10<sup>th</sup>.

1. Reminder on Forms due to March Meeting
  - a. Head Coaches Form for Coach Directory (2/3, 4/5, 6/7, 8/9B (Nationals)
    - i. Provide Team Name. (no name, no schedule)
    - ii. Please keep name short to fit on schedule
    - iii. Head Coaches form for K/1 will be due in April
  - b. Field Availability
    - i. Also include additional information on location (description or GPS) to update the website, if needed.
  - c. Organization Bad Dates
    - i. Coach's Bad date forms will be provided in March meeting
2. Reminder for April Meetings, still 4/20 at Palmer Library:
  - a. Submission of Final Rosters and First Mandatory coach's meetings.