December 10, 2017 Board Meeting IBU Portland, OR Called to order 1837

Meeting Minutes approval from November meeting: Ac motion to approve second KK

District 4 updates:

# Registration Budgets:

Comparison of Regional LL fees presented as researched by M. Bessner.

Board agrees to keep registration fees same this year, with goal of addressing increases in the September 2018 meeting.

Questions raised if the board is in agreement to continue to assess the need and amount of future increases in registration.

Comments of making sure that we communicate with parents what our goals are and what those increases in fees are for and how this will benefit our league and their children.

## Website Updates:

Because of Nike's sponsorship, they will provide a free subscription to a Management Engine website instead of Sports Engine.

Angela C. Recommends we go with new website to save money and for better function and control and other capabilities.

Question: What are the integration capabilities? This website will allow integration of the uniform ordering process, offer free support for getting things going. Site can be up and running in three days.

Questions: Are we still able to have our own sponsors advertised on our page: Answer yes, only restrictions are our non-compete clauses with existing sponsors.

M. Bessner spoke with one of the companies references who was the president of another LL, who was very happy with the use of the engine.

Move to approve moving to the new Team Side Line software, 1st and 2nd, Motion to approve by M. Bessner unanimously carries.

Question raised by Shane if some sort of strategic planning meeting process be in place?

### Fields Updates:

Subcommittee: Chad S. Markham Majors: Remove sod, prepare exposed soil, improve drainage, install new turf, renovate pitching mound.

Kurt: Quote from Mike York: No Food water source available for field, would need an irrigation system with consistent management of cutting and seeding to maintain or the same issue will come to surface in about 6 years.

Grading and laser leveling with dirt and fill would be \$4,000. Irrigation included for the field would be \$13,000. (Without irrigation \$8,000)

### Clean Air landscaping:

Remove existing sod, lower existing sod area 2-3", install sod and loam: \$5-6,000. Base pads, level, add clay, improve clay: \$1,800.

Remove all sod and level the entire field \$2,300.

Question: Are we able to make these changes? We were approved to strip the field last year, but we will have to go back to PPS and Parks and Rec for renewed approval.

K. Johnson: suggests the best use of money would be to strip the field and take the next year to assess what improvements to continue to be made. Huntley suggests that further investigation into what type of substance for just dirt fields are used to improve drainage.

Jake Hammer: Move to go with 4,000 proposal to get 2 good years out of a sodded field and reassess what to do better in two years.

Question M. Bessner: Is board comfortable to agree to committing to budget of 8,000 or less for repairs to Markham majors. Motion 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion carries with 1 vote descending. Who would like to see a grass infield return to Markham majors: vote of 9 members to keep grass infield.

Fields Committee assigned to prioritized needs of fields, possible bids on Maplewood and Smith. Main points form other fields requested from other VP's.

Hayhurst, problem with soccer pole. Smith 1 need bases to be readjusted' Smith 2 has some problems as well. Hiteon cannot be touched.

### Fields Permits:

Lisa will send the fields permits we had last year so that Shanie can get started on the process.

#### **Uniforms:**

Questions relayed from J. Alexander:

Softball Roster by level date? Tryouts February 11, Answer: AAA March 1, A and AA March 23rd.

Baseball Roster by level date? Tryouts February 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Draft Date. Feb. 22 Same dates as above for Baseball.

First game for softball. Saturday April 7th. /. Baseball All levels but T-ball April 7th. T-Ball April 14

Do we need a different patch for Juniors or can we use LL patch.: LL patch ok

#### Registrations dates:

Target January  $3^{rd}$  for opening registration with push to encourage to schools starting January  $2^{nd}$ .

Clinics: February 11th and 18th

Question: Umpire in Chief Dave Peterson listed until we have a new Umpire in Chief. Needed so that we could get charter.

Financial Report from Lisa K: Account balance: \$45,779.01

Next Board meeting scheduled for Monday January 15th. 6:30 IBU. Meeting Adjourned 8:30.