



North River American Little League

P.O. Box 1072, Palmetto, FL 34220

Board Meeting Minutes

President: Chuck Hague **Vice-President:** Oscar Vela

Treasurer: Jeff Davis **Secretary:** Tonya Davis

Player Agent: Michelle Munivez **Safety Officer:** David Huttering

Gina Allison, Chuck Blaney, Erika Blaney, Liz Conrad, Dick Coury, Brian Harrell,

Tina Harrell, Chris Ralston, Tammy Stinton, Evelyn Townsley, Kris Townsley, Leticia Vela

Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Call to Order at: 6:01pm

Approval of Minutes: Tonya said the tape recorder malfunctioned and didn't record last half of meeting last month, so Jeff will record this meeting from computer. Oscar motioned to approve minutes, Liz 2nd – **Motion Approved.**

Approval Treasurer's Report: Balance is \$19,512.27 as of today, but we still need to pay for uniforms, umpires and county fees. Oscar motioned for approval, Gina 2nd – **Motion Approved.**

Coach Coordinator: Kris said he has not gotten any commitments from coaches yet for All Stars. Some don't want to manage unless their child is on team. Chuck said to wrap it up by April. Chuck H received vulgar voicemail from JR baseball coach using a lot of profanity and complaining about uncooperation from PHS. Oscar will set up meeting with him to address the issues. Gina asked if pitching machine has to keep score book. Chuck said only if they want to during regular season, but must use during playoffs. Otherwise pm uses same rules as minors except no umpires. Chuck also stated that all minor, major and Jr teams must keep record of pitch counts on each pitcher because if another team questions it, that player will become ineligible to pitch.

Concession Stand: n/a

County Liaison: Chuck played voicemail from Superintendent of Schools apologizing for "dropping the ball" and not inviting him to the meeting with Pirates. So Brian, Oscar and Jeff met with Pirates who said they will help us with new fields, but they need to talk to owner to see what they can do for us. Chuck said Pirates want us to vote on bat boy/girl for week of Spring Training, but they must be 12 or over and will find something else for the younger kids. We are only league that has been offered to do this. Oscar stated we can have up to 100 kids go on Pirate City Tour. Chuck said in the Fall, we may be able to practice at Pirates stadium per Trevor. The meeting with the Rays has been postponed.

Field and Equipment: Chuck and a few others met with county/city about plans for new fields. There were a few kinks in the design that needs to be fixed. David brought up a few safety issues they didn't even think of. Allen Tusing stated at the meeting that in order to host tournaments, you have to have 3 little league fields (tball and Jr field don't count). There will be another meeting in 2 weeks when the engineer can be present. Chuck said any board member can attend meetings regarding our fields and he will send out emails to everyone when he is notified of future meetings.

Fundraiser: Gina said there is an order form at concession stand for fundraising shirts. Chuck liked the idea of having contest and letting kids design shirts for us to sell. Erika said she spoke to the Mayor about us possibly selling hot dogs during "movie in the park" once a month. She will find out who to speak to about this and get more info.

Opening Day: Chuck H. said from what he heard, Erika did a good job putting everything together despite the drama that went on earlier regarding the field availability and he received emails from parents who thought the event was great and liked it better at night, except for the cool weather, but people seem to prefer not having to wait around all day to play scrimmage games. The only negative thing he heard was a couple parents heard the City Commissioners and Mayor say they could leave once their names were announced and that they didn't wait around to answer questions from anyone. Erika said Allen Tusing approached her beforehand and said they had a prior engagement to

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be elsewhere. Concession made \$603.31, pies \$28.50, silent auction \$283 with some items leftover for closing ceremony, \$50 donation from sales of kettle corn. Erika was \$166 under budget.

Player Agent: Michelle will get in contact with parents of the players who are not showing up for practices/games. She asked for copies of the rosters, Chuck H said his computer crashed but Jeff can give her what he has. There are 206 players this season. Chuck H said we will not mix softball girls together w/ Buffalo Creek anymore to form teams.

Safety Coordinator: Chuck H. said don't drive too fast out of parking lot and to make sure to fill out accident forms and turn in ASAP. All coaches should have them in their binders or they can download from our web site.

Sponsorship: All sponsors have paid.

Team Mom: Evelyn had meeting last week, but only a few team moms showed up. Kris will send email to managers of those who didn't have a team mom present. A couple team moms didn't get uniform shirt yet.

Umpire Report: n/a

Uniform Coordinator: Liz said all the shirts came out nice except one where you can barely read the writing due to color contrast. Oscar doesn't like the new "A" on hat and coach shirt. Liz should be getting remainder of uniforms in tomorrow. She will start working on All Star uniforms next month. Chuck H. suggests spending more money this year to have nicer shirts, preferably with name of league embroidered across the front.

Web Site: We now have a face book account with links to our web site. There are 65 members so far. Tonya asked if it was ok to keep posts that aren't about baseball, that are on our face book page from one of our parents. Chuck said as long as it isn't put on repeatedly and we can delete if necessary, but Autism is important, so we can leave it.

New Business:

****** Chuck H. said due to his daughter's health condition and stress from dealing with comments made by a board member about him, he wishes to resign as President effective 3-20-10, but would like to remain an active board member. He is appointing Brian Harrell as his replacement. Kris asked how did he decide on Brian as new President. Chuck said Beth told him it had to be a VP and Brian has more time available to devote to this league. Several people expressed they wish he would reconsider and at least stay until end of season. Chuck B. suggested he confront that person and deal with the issues without resigning. Chuck H. said he will think about it in the next few days and let everyone know his decision.

****** Leticia will head up our 2nd annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 3rd. We still have the bunny costume but need to find someone to wear it. Michelle motioned for \$500 budget, Gina 2nd – **Motion Approved**. We still have a lot of plastic eggs leftover from last year but will need more, as well as non-chocolate candy. Erika suggested asking parents to donate. Gina said we should set up meeting time to stuff candy inside the plastic eggs.

****** Gina will put plans together for our participation in the Grand Parade on Saturday, April 24th. Chuck B. said he may be able to get big trailer, but will have to modify it and add rails to sides for safety. Chuck H. suggested calling Jestany Auto to see if they will donate army truck again. Liz said she has trailer we could use for older kids to ride on. Oscar asked if M&L will donate beads again. Gina said Oriental Trading has beads very cheap. The entry fee is around \$160 and Gina will take care of turning in the paperwork, but will need picture and description of float/trailer we are using. Jeff motioned for \$600 budget not counting entry fee, Oscar 2nd – **Motion Approved**. Chuck H. said maybe we could get Raymond from the Rays to ride on our float with us. There is a party after the parade for \$35 each person, all-inclusive for adults only.

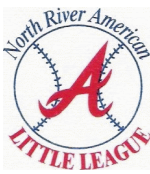
****** Kris asked if his team could use batting cages tomorrow for about an hour. Chuck H. said the board would have to vote since originally everyone was told not to use it for safety issues. Oscar motioned to allow him to use it, Chris 2nd – seven board members wanted stipulation that they wear helmets with face guards, so after a tie – the President makes the final decision and Chuck H. stated they must wear the helmets while in the batting cages until they are fixed next week – **Motion Approved by Chuck H.**

Jeff motioned to adjourn, Brian 2nd - **Adjourned at: 8:11pm**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 13th @ 6:00 pm (930 5th Street West)

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Treasurer's Report: February 15, 2010 - March 9, 2010

Total Balances as of February 15, 2010				\$ 18,180.68
Revenue				
2/19/2010	BOA	Player Fees / Sponsor Fees		\$ 880.00
3/5/2010	BOA	Player Fees / Sponsor Fees		\$ 790.00
3/8/2010	BOA	Player Fees / Sponsor Fees		\$ 1,377.00
Misc.	BOA	Credit Card Deposits		\$ 207.75
2/28/2010	MRCB	Interest		\$ 0.06
2/23/2010	MRCB	Concession		\$ 200.00
	BOA	Voided Check # 1107 (Taylor Harrell Voided Refund)		\$ 80.00
Total Revenue				\$ 3,534.81
Expenses				
Date	Check #	To	For	Amount
2/22/2010	Debit	Grower's Hardware	Keys	\$ 27.61
3/1/2010	Debit	Anaconda Sports	Adult League Softballs	\$ 362.80
3/5/2010	1119	Dollar Tree	Opening Day	\$ 53.00
3/5/2010	1118	WalMart	Opening Day	\$ 75.81
3/5/2010	Debit	Manatee County Parks & Rec	Bounce House Permit Fee	\$ 30.00
3/5/2010	1121	Signs 2 Go	Banners	\$ 300.00
3/2/2010	2582	WalMart	Concession	\$ 46.88
3/5/2010	2584	WalMart	Concession	\$ 18.56
3/5/2010	2583	Sam's Club	Concession	\$ 430.20
2/19/2010	2580	Publix	Concession	\$ 5.66
2/23/2010	2581	WalMart	Concession	\$ 32.08
2/17/2010	2586	Pepsi	Soda	\$ 245.00
3/2/2010	2587	Liz Conrad	boiled peanuts	\$ 32.95
3/5/2010	1122	Sude Bounce	Opening Day	\$ 255.00
3/8/2010	EFT.	FPL	Electric	\$ 17.77
3/8/2010	EFT.	Verizon	Phone	\$ 56.21
3/8/2010	EFT.	City of Palmetto	2 months (never received Feb. Bill)	\$ 154.98
3/8/2010	EFT.	Yahoo	Website	\$ 12.95
3/3/2010	EFT.	Merchant Advisors	CC processing Fees	\$ 45.76
Total Expenses				\$ 2,203.22
Ending Balance as of March 9, 2010				\$ 19,512.27

I certify that the finances reported above are true and correct.

----- Signature of League Treasurer	----- Date
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