

Layritz Little League Board Meeting

2024-05-27

Attendance: Laura Wirtanen, Gillian Dabbs, Dave Moore, Kari Moore, Kathleen Lamberton, Brittney Crump, Graham Plumb, Nadia Hobb, Lindsay Plumb

Call to order at 7:05

Agenda Topics:

- 1) Approve May 5, 2024 Meeting Minutes Motion to approve Brittney Crump, second by Lindsay Plumb. All in favor unanimous.
- 2) "Garage Sale": Two parents cleaned out the uniform closet and we have lots of items we can sell for very cheap. We should consider executing this annually. Suggestion is to have 9/10 All Star parents run the event this season as a fundraiser. Event to take place on closing day where the information table was on opening day by the concession.
- 3) Closing Day June 15th at 1pm: Schedule for closing day includes a Minor's game at 9am, Major's game at 11am, and Rookie Minors game at 9:30am. Medals and trophies have been ordered. There are 13 graduating 12 year old players, we will look at sourcing plastic display cases for their baseball gift signed by coaches. For uniforms, there will be bins to drop off uniforms and if players cannot attend they can hand the uniform to their coach in advance. Information to be shared in the May Newsletter.
- 4) Edward Sawchyn (ex Layritz parent), has donated five of his published books to sell in the concession with proceeds to go towards the 2025 National Championships. Book is titled, "The Ball's been hit...now what do i do?"
- 5) 2025 Canadian Nationals Committee Update:
 - a) Representatives to attend Kingston LLC in August Reanne Goulet has put her hand forward to attend the LLC being hosted in Kingston this summer to receive the passing of the tournament, as well as do some fact finding for us. Previously, it was approved by the board that we would pay for two individuals to attend. We are proposing Jim Beech and Reanne Gouglet. Rough budget is \$3,500 for travel and accommodation to attend the event for the last two or three days. Motion to approve put forward by Lindsay Plumb, second by Laura Wirtanen, all in favor unanimous.
 - b) Accommodation we are still waiting on St Margarets to get back to us, their board was overturned and the new President/CEO has started and is getting bearings. We have continued to propel forward and our representatives toured the Four Points Sheraton in Langford by Costco. The team was very impressed with the hotel and the food offered, should receive a quote from them in the next week.
 - c) 50/50 total funds amounted to \$5,694 (\$2,847). Winner was a first year Blastball parent that was incredibly excited. Funds have been transferred to the winner and the balance of funds will be deposited into the new Tournament account that Hailey set up.

- d) Merchandise we have purchased our first set of 2025 gear including Hoodies, Hats, and T-Shirts. Product to arrive prior to closing ceremonies and we will ensure it is up and on sale as soon as possible.
- 6) **Sponsorship Lead update**: 50/50 sales are going well, total sales across the two draws is \$9,400. 9/10 All Stars have the next draw that runs from now until closing day. Proposal to keep 50/50 going for next season as it has proven to be a quite successful way to fundraise. There are some outstanding license results that are required Harbour Cats and Meat Draw from last season, Gill will follow up with Brittney and Lindsay to complete. We will apply for a 50/50 license for Minors Districts this week. Britiney has sent a note to the HarbourCats to follow up on the 50/50 requirements, information to be shared when response is received.
- 7) **Spray vs Lyme**: Spray cans price has significantly increased and we go through cans quite quickly. Dave has fixed the additional chalker so now we have three and can accommodate Majors, Minors, and Hiser Fields with Lyme, leaving Mini Minors with Spray. Next steps move an additional chalker from Major's Equipment room to Minors field with a bag of Lyme.
- 8) Softball Clinic Update: 14 kids came out and there was a lot of excited potential. Interested candidates for VP of Softball include Lara and Carly. Talking to the coaches they were interested in fall ball but also wanting to be able to do soccer too. Soccer is on wednesdays. Open up registration for Minors Softball for Fall Ball and share communication with schools in catchment. Lindsay has a contact at Softball BC to get the application approved for the 2025 Season. Fall Ball will open up as a Little League Minor Softball Division with the option for Spring Season to move to Softball BC if we have a VP of Softball confirmed.
- 9) **Umpire Party:** nothing separate currently planned so we are going to do a Pizza Party after Closing Ceremonies on June 15th. Brittney to share out communication to umpires in advance.
- 10) Communicate out to RM & Minors to umpire a Minis game for a free slushie
- 11) Buddy Check Week: Emails have gone out to Coaches to inform them and parents are receiving an information email this week. We have green slushies in the concession and profits from the slushies will ev donated back to Buddy Check for Jessie.
- 12) **Coaches Party:** Reanne is planning the party which will be on June 16th at 6pm, will include dinner, a game and Home Run Derby.
- 13) **Intermediate Provincials at LLL**: Layritz will be hosting a 3 game series vs South Vancouver on July 4–6th (same time as Minor's Districts) on the LIBA field. Winner goes to Canadians in Coquitlam.
- 14) Fall Ball Registration: Season to run from Labour day through Thanksgiving Weekend. We will open up Fall Ball Registration on or after closing ceremonies. Nadia will check what was done for Fall Ball last year and duplicate. Softball promotion \$25, welcome back rate. Intermediate divisions update: Jim Galloway from National wanting to run an Intermediate Division and has 5 kids that would most likely join. Beacon Hill is also interested in running a program. We will put up Intermediate for Fall Ball and get a gauge of interest with a rate of \$250.
- 15) **9/10 Districts:** At the District Meeting last week they pulled names out of a hat to determine who was facing who to start the tournament. To be confirmed what is noted is: Layritz vs Hampton, Lakehill vs Central Saanich, and National vs Beacon Hill, this the same for both 9/10 and 11/2. Kari will request 2023 Minor's District Schedule from Lakehill to review as she builds for this year.

Motion to adjourn by Brittney Crump, Second by Kathleen Lamberton

Meeting adjourned at 8:43pm