AGENDA

East Granby/Granby Little League Executive Board Meeting January 12, 2024

LOCATION: East Granby Farms TIME: 7:44pm

Executive Board Position	Member	Present	NonExecutive Board Position	Member	Present
President	BIII Hallam	Х	Scheduler- Baseball	Chester Darling	Х
VP Baseball	Chris Perry	Х	Scheduler- softball	Matt Brady	
VP Softball	Dan Thomsen	Х	Parent Manager Coordinator	VACANT	
Treasurer	Phil Tetreault	Х	Community Outreach E	Eric Sales	
Umpire Coordinator- Baseball	Eric Meyer	Х	Granby/Granby		
Umpire Coordinator Softball	Vacant		Concessions Coordinator	Katie V	Х
			Opening Day Chair		
Sponsorship	Steve Simard	Х	Annual Fundraiser	Xavier Sedaris	
Information Officer	Greg Dion	Х	Coordinator		
Secretary	Danielle Waite	Х	Volunteer Coordinator	Alison Dion	
Coaching Coordinator- baseball	Dennis Mullane	Х	Fleld Maintenance Director	Justin Whitehouse	
Coaching Coordinator- Softball	Chad Perkins		Baseball Equipment	Scott Magennis	Х
Player AGent- Baseball	Dave Anderson		Coordinator		
Player Agent Softball	Kelly George	Х	Softball Equipment	Jen Christiansen	Х
Safety Officer	Bob Hazen	Х	Coordinator		
			Yard Goats Game	Greg Dion	Х
			Coordinator		
			Apparel	Allyson Bienia	Х
			Photo COordinator	Cynthia Minichino	
			Softball Training/Clinic	VACANT	
			Coordinator		
			Scholarship Coordinator	Emily Bavarro	
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Call to Order: 7:46pm

I. President's Remarks

- A. East Granby vs Granby at Yardgoats- 5/20
- B. D6 Presidents meeting update:
 - 1. Constitution submitted
 - 2. ASAP plan- needs to be done February/mid March
 - 3. Bob- has already started to review, a few items to discuss when we get to new business
 - 4. D6 will be hosting the following: 9-11 Baseball sectionals, 8–10 softball sectionals and 8-10 softball state finals
 - 5. 50th anniversary of LL softball being associated with LL baseball

- a) Dan proposed a banner- he will come with a proposal
- 6. Possible changes for 2025:
 - a) next year D6 is looking at a centralized registration
 - (1) Problem- huge revenue loss
 - b) Ages 4-7 can choose the league (town) they want to play in, and then at the age of 8 they have to choose a final town and not able to switch after that time
- C. Granbrook- softball field update
 - 1. Wetlands application has been completed
 - a) Waiting for written plan from contractor then the application can get submitted to the wetlands committee
 - 2. Not much progress is being made, in a holding pattern but BIII keeps reaching out and checking in, offering to help in anyway he can to expedite the process
- D. Yardgoats
 - 1. Start to sell on opening day
 - 2. Do we limit the number of tickets each person can buy?
 - a) Reviewed pros and cons
 - b) Chose not to institute a limit
 - 3. Advertise along with opening day information
 - 4. Electronic tickets
- E. Reminder Dates:
 - 1. Preseason 2/25 and 3/3
 - 2. Assessments 3/9
- F. Volunteer day- 4/20, rain date 4/21
 - 1. SBP/EGF/Granbrook clean up
 - 2. SBP batting cages are going to get redone so hopefully only nets get to be placed
 - 3. Sheds are in good shape- not needed
 - 4. Field 5 dugouts- paint and renovate
 - 5. Scoreboard poles should be painted
- II. Apparel
 - A. Submitted order
 - B. Fixing images for correct printing
 - C. Images 4 & 8 ordered
 - 1. 14 with pink -youth
 - 2. Grey and black in both images
 - D. \$35/sweatshirt, they are cheaper this year so we will make more money this year, \$10/hoodie
 - E. Sell at assessments and opening day
 - F. Hats- leather patches get price up to \$30/hat- too expensive
 - 1. Direct embroidery- under \$20/hat
 - a) No minimum

- 2. 2 week turnaround time- still have time to make this happen before opening day
- 3. Need to pick which design
- III. Umpire Update
 - A. Baseball:
 - 1. Contract with SABU is back
 - 2. Youth Umpires:
 - a) 8 kids confirmed
 - b) Handful of new kids have expressed interest
 - c) Date set for the clinic in Harwinton
 - B. Softball:
 - 1. SABU- no ability to help with softball
 - 2. CCUA- best resource, slightly more expensive, 150 registered umpires, 15% are well trained youth umpires
 - a) Will utilize for majors
 - 3. Old contracts: Angel, Kathy Hennigan- will run minors through them
 - 4. Youth Umpires- only 3
 - C. Fees for Youth umpires-\$35
 - 1. If solo-increase by \$10
 - 2. If same day assignment- increase by \$10
- IV. Registration Numbers as of Feb. 12- G. Dion
 - A. Baseball:
 - 1. Sluggers- 13 (last year 24)
 - 2. Coed tball-37 (last year 50)
 - 3. Farm ball- 42 (last year 43)
 - 4. Majors/MInors 93 (last year 89)
 - 5. Juniors-10 (last year 8)
 - B. Softball
 - 1. Tball-6 (last year 28)
 - 2. Farm ball- 23 (last year 19)
 - 3. Majors/MInors- 56 (last year 43)
 - 4. Juniors-0 (last year 10)
 - C. A little behind from last year- 34 less
 - 1. Community Outreach (Eric Sales)
 - a) Use to do flyers at rec basketball
 - (1) Dion will reach out to Terry to do an e-blast to all rec basketball families
 - b) Use to do a sandwich board at the elementary schools
 - c) Reach out to PTO for eblast
 - (1) Greg will send flyer to Eric Sales
 - 2. Reach out to parks and rec to see if we can have a link on their website
 - a) Greg will reach out to Terry
 - b) Bill going to reach out to Alicia
 - D. Important Dates:

- 1. Late Fees 3/1/23
- 2. Hard Close 3/7/23
- V. VP Baseball Update- C. Perry
 - A. Winter Clinics and Pre-Season Workouts for Assessments
 - 1. Clinics:
 - a) Already running
 - b) Pitching and catching this week
 - 2. Corkum clinics 10/12 spots filled
 - 3. Free clinics for prior to assessments- already reserved
 - a) One spot filled, one still has around 8 spots available
 - B. Press Box Chris presented the plan
 - 1. 30 day grace period, next meeting is 2/14
 - 2. Chris will be there to hear whether its approved or not
 - 3. Whether its finished prior to season or not will be weather dependent
 - C. Going to upgrade the cages by leveling and create proper drainage
 - D. Coaches meeting: 2/22
 - E. Coaches clinic 3/26 6:30-8:30
 - F. Mlke Dimbraski- highschool coach
 - 1. 4/6 free clinic for any kid from EGGLL
 - 2. Historically Granby highschool has not been very involved but East Granby has been
 - G. Pitch, Hit, Run event at opening day
 - 1. Need to advertise 6 weeks prior to opening day
 - 2. Need to get volunteers for this
 - H. Equipment Swap- 3/2 from 10-12
- VI. VP Softball Update- D. Thomsen
 - A. Winter clinics- have been very successful
 - B. Did not get the opportunity to have a pitching instructor at these clinics
 - 1. Will utilize Jen later this season to do an outside clinic
 - C. Concerned regarding softball tball numbers- if do not get enough players then they can reach out to the girls registered for coed softball
 - D. Hoping community outreach can help this
- VII. Sponsorship Updates- S. Simard
 - A. Chasing down sponsors at this time
 - B. Need to set a deadline for sponsorship-
 - Scott says you can order shirts first, and then submit sponsorship names after that
 - 2. 4/1 sounds reasonable to submit sponsors and still have uniforms in time for Majors seasons
 - C. If we have unsponsored teams we can push once rosters are set to the team families
 - D. Eric Sales has been helping Steve
- VIII. Fundraiser Update- Almost Famous, Snap Raise/Popcorn
 - A. Xavier was not present- Bill to reach out to him regarding the Almost Famous

- B. Snap Raise- becoming too popular
- C. Popcorn- double good: only minimal participation
- D. Restaurant Nights:
 - 1. TJ Burritos, Jake's Wayback, Iron Horse
- E. Can Shake at local stores- consider this during season
- IX. EGGLL Scholarship Awards Discussion- Emily Bavarro
 - A. 1 baseball and 1 softball player from each town
 - B. \$250 from us, \$500 from Attianese family
 - C. Finalize early May
- X. Open Discussion:
 - A. Opening Day Concessions
 - 1. Concession will be open but unsure of in what capacity
 - 2. Supplement with 2 food trucks
 - a) Tofil from APM- confirmed
 - b) Frankie Food Truck- Dan will reach out to them
 - B. SBP Concession stand
 - 1. Christine- will keep snack shack open but will not lose money on it
 - a) \$16.50/hour
 - b) Wants us to foot the bill
 - 2. Consider food truck for games instead
 - C. Safety Update:
 - 1. Goal is to streamline the Volunteer intake process
 - 2. Chris and Bob feel that the first aid covers the concussion awareness
 - a) Supplement it with some type of pamphlet/handout
 - Poster on inside of dugouts for concussion education and First Aid tips
 - 3. Base Website that you can create a baseball profile and then do all the training through that site so its all tracked in one place
 - 4. Diamond Leaders also needs to be tracked- can we get this on our website?
 - a) All coaches have to do this
 - 5. Ideal to get everything on one platform- Bob proposes using the USA baseball site
 - a) All agree this sounds like the best way to organize everything
- XI. Other Areas of Business/Open Discussion

Adjourn: 9:33pm