High Plains Little League Board Meeting

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 pm by President, Scot Raffelson.

Board Members Present:	Board Members Absent:
Scot Raffelson, President Sarah Ehn, Secretary / Safety Officer Gary Bowling, Coaching Coordinator CeCe Castro, Registrar Albert Castro, Equipment Manager Diana Strobel, Player Agent John Busby, Vice President Johnny Stevens, Director of Scheduling/Umpires Mike Langham, VP of Baseball Jennifer Keller, Secretary	Christy Kennedy Marissa McCullouch, Fund Raising Coordinator

III. Approval of the Minutes

It was moved by Albert to accept the minutes as submitted. It was seconded by John and carried without opposition.

IV. Safety Plan Update

Sarah proposed updates for the HPLL Safety Plan for 2016. ID badges will be issued for coaches, managers, board members, or any volunteer that has to undergo a background check. Name, Picture, concussion and CPR training will be included on each badge. AED Machine will be ordered on November 6th. CPR Board training will be conducted the end of Nov/beginning of Dec. The cost will be \$10 per person. 10-15 people will be able to attend a class and each one will last 2.5 hours. CPR classes will be available for parents to attend in the spring around the time of opening ceremonies.

The safety plan will be finalized at the December board meeting.

V. LYM Events- 5k fundraiser

Farris, from LYM events presented different fundraising options his company offers. Course layout, equipment for the race, and registration on the website are included in the package that costs \$500. We would need to execute the fundraiser in March, April, or May. March or April would be a possibility for

Possibly looking at March or April for the run. We need to make at least 5,000.00 or more to make it worth it which breaks down to: If there are no sponsors or vendors, we would need to charge \$20.00 an entrée and have at least 250 people participate in the event. LYM would not help get sponsors for the event. Any sponsor cannot have brewery on the logo. We will have same day registration an hour early. The total time of the event will run from 7am-12pm. Possible sponsors

to check into are: Alpine water, Antler Creek Golf Course, and Boulder Running Company. Prizes will be awarded to top 3 male and top 3 female participants. Farris will provide insurance for spectators and athletes. He will also help drive people to Falcon. Chip timing will be available, but is more costly. Pole tabs are more affordable.

A decision needs to be made by December meeting. Christie will be the decision maker.

VI. Coaching Coordination

We have received 10 responses from coaches, but need to fill 28 teams. We will put out a Facebook request for coaching interest. As far as tryouts go, we need to decide who can evaluate. More volunteers will need to be scheduled to help with tryouts. Also, parameters need to be set. Diana will bring it to the December meeting.

VII. Sponsorship and fundraising

John will send out a list of who he has spoken too. Christie will take charge on the marathon

Mike is working on the hitathon. We will kickoff a Logo contest before the 2016 season. Below are the rules for the contest:

8 1/2 X 11 sheet of paper
Red white and Blue
Cash Prize
Kickoff at Registration,
Submit by email to secretary on February 24th

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VIII. 2016 Calendar

John motioned to accept and Sarah seconded.

IX. Financial Report

John filed with the state to continue the non-profit status.

Fees for 2016: Below is the final fee schedule for 2016 along with last year's schedule for comparison.

Fees- Last years fees:

Tball-\$95

Rookies-\$110

Minors-\$140

Majors-\$140

Intermediate-\$140

Juniors-\$160

Softball-

Minors-\$125

Majors-\$135

Juniors-\$135

Seniors-

This years fees

Tball-\$95

Rookies-\$125

Minors-\$165

Majors-\$165 Intermediate-\$165 Juniors-\$185 **Softball**-Minors-\$140 Majors-\$150 Juniors-\$150 Seniors-\$165

John Motioned to approve the new fees schedule and Diana Seconded.

X. Interleague play

Johnny will contact president of Colorado Springs, Tri Lakes, and Academy. John will take care of contacting interleaguing for softball.

XI. Boundary Changes

Mike is looking into this. We don't have a decision deadline at this point. If the rest of D49 joins, we would have 19,000 students to choose from. Mike will try to schedule a meeting with all of the presidents and give an updated status at the December board meeting.

XII. Registration

The Website needs to be up and running by the December meeting. Cici is going to call Blue Sombrero to get the age chart working. August 31st is the new birthday cutoff for players 9 and younger.

XIII. Challenger division-

The board discussed starting a Challenger division in 2016. The desirable time frame would be August-September.

XIV. Adjournment

Next meeting to be scheduled on Sunday, December 13th. John moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:46 pm, seconded by Albert. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Keller, HPLL Secretary

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