

NEW CUMBERLAND YOUTH BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF November 17, 2022

The meeting of the New Cumberland Youth Baseball Association was called to order on November 17, 2022, with the following members were present: Gary Smith, Jamie Ellenberger, Andrew Ellenberger, Amanda Lauver, Julie Drabenstadt, Jeremy Hoke, Todd Paradine, Jennifer Paradine, Paul Ritchie, Sam Daisley, and Gary Shirley.

1. Recognition of Visitors: none
2. Secretary Report. The minutes of September 15, 2022 was delayed for approval due to no quorum. Additional board members arrived. Minutes were approved by Andrew Ellenberger and Gary Shirley.
3. Health & Welfare. Todd and Jennifer Paradine's baby arrived.
4. League Correspondence.
 - a. Incoming Correspondence. None
 - b. Outgoing Correspondence. None
5. Treasurer's Report. Andrew Ellenberger presented the Treasurer's Report for the period October 1, 2022, to November 16, 2022. He reported the balance as of October 1, 2022, in our checking account of \$4,894.29. Andrew also reported that we should be sending payment for the Winter Clinic to the Yellow Breeches.
6. Association Business.
 - a. Fall Ball Commissioner: Jeremy Hoke said Minor level went well overall. Practices were held 3 days a week. Jamie Ellenberger said that our hybrid level went fine. Pitching was a little hard and kid pitch was a good experience. Tball clinic was a success, lots of potential parental help going forward. Todd Paradine asked what the numbers were by level during fall ball. Jamie stated that we had 12 for the Jr. Pony level, Dan had 12 at Pony level and about 16 for the clinic. Jeremy Hoke stated minor level had 9, most returning players from the spring. He had said the other teams that we played were very good and we had excellent comradery with the other leagues we were playing with. Todd asked what other organizations we had been playing. Jeremy and Jamie responded that we played Red Land, Lower Swatara, Manchester, and Susquehanna. Gary asked if these organizations would possibly be interested to continue playing interleague in the Spring. Jamie and Jeremy said yes. Jamie said to Todd that the coach pitch division in other leagues basically play by our hybrid tball rules. Would like to keep the clinic strictly tball but would like to have coach pitch interleague team. We need to match up with other programs to see what they have to offer. Paul suggested that the kids just move from tball to Pony at age 6 and go right into kid pitch. Jamie said we could revisit this around the time of placements. Todd said we don't want to put kids in a situation they can't succeed in but is in favor of pushing the kids up that are ready.

- b. Fields, Facilities, and Equipment. Paul Ritchie stated that fall clean up needs to happen. He will call Gingrich to come out to prep for winter. After this is complete, Gary will call PA Water to have the water turned off. Paul has taken down signs and emptied trash at Will Cole. Backstop will be taken down but requires help. Boro only needs to have the rooves of the dugouts removed. Field 3 will have homeplate replaced in the spring. Sam Daisley, Jeremy and Gary volunteered to meet at Will Cole around 10am to take care of Will Cole. Paul said the Hillside field is already complete. The Olde Towne crew had taken down the nets and put the L-screens away. Jamie said all equipment has been returned.
- c. Competition Committee: Todd Paradine started by saying that he had called Cedar Cliff about last year's season. He said he spoke with their new president Chuck Brown. Chuck told Todd that he felt Minors went great and Pony level could use improvement. There were some issues with the All-Star tournament. Need to decide what our goals are going to be for the spring season and what leagues we will be playing with to give our older kids opportunity to play at higher levels. Contemplation about staying with Ripken. Discussed partnering with a travel ball program.
- d. Winter Clinics: Jamie booked 1 hour from 6-7pm. Every Friday 1/13-2/17/23. \$300 total. Jeremy Hoke suggested capping the sign-ups to 8-10 per cage.
- e. Uniforms. Jeremy will start reaching out but suggested that we should stick with Haas.
- f. Concessions: Amanda Lauver stated that there wasn't much of an update. Approximately \$400 profit for the season.
- g. Sponsorships: Gary stated that we will need between 6-8 for shirts and a couple more for banners, etc. Sam Daisley has offered to assist in helping.
- h. Fundraising: Julie Drabenstadt our profit for fall R&K sub sale was around \$500. Jamie had suggested that we look into Little Caesar's fundraising pizza kits. Profit would be around \$6 per kit and you can also purchase vouchers.
- i. Visitors for Nomination to the Board. None
- j. Future Business: Finalize the flyer

7. Motion to adjourn. Andrew Ellenberger made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jamie Ellenberger and passed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:54 PM. **The next meeting will be on Thursday, December 15, 2022, at 7:30 PM at New Cumberland River Rescue, 1127 Market St., New Cumberland, PA.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Amanda Lauver, Secretary