

Des Plaines Youth Baseball

P.O.Box 2774 Des Plaines, IL 60017

Regular Board Meeting Agenda Wednesday, November 20, 2024, 7PM Prairie Lakes

- Call to order
- Introductions: Bre, Jason, Scott, Brian, Shannon, Matt, Andy, Julianne, Brendan, PJ, Erin, Amy, Laura, John, and Jeff
- Minutes approved
- Public/open comments: none
- Past events
  - Trunk or treats
    - Thank you to everyone that helped and participated.
  - Fall clean up
    - Concession
      - Erin, Amy, and Jeanette cleaned and winterized concession on 11/2
    - Equipment
      - Frank Espinoza has stored equipment bags at Seminole
    - AEDs
      - Matt has removed all AED and checked expiration dates, they will be stored at our house
    - Park district
      - Winterized bathrooms, net taken down, screens put away
  - Ornament Decorating 11/20/24
    - Good turn out
- Upcoming events
  - Turkey trot: DPYB donated a basket for raffle
  - Tree Lighting at Metropolitan Square

- Decorating starts at 4 pm, tree lighting at 6:30 pm
  - Prairie Lakes winter fest
    - DPYB will have a table with squish balls and flyers
  - Winter clinics: Scott to lead
    - January 12 and February 23, full gym at Prairie Lakes form 1-6 pm
      - Kids will be divided into 4 groups
        - Stars
        - 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders
        - 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders
        - 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> graders
  - Evaluations
    - March 9<sup>th</sup> 1-6 pm, could possibly have another date if there are people that cannot attend
    - Drafts: all coaches will need to have a background check to participate in the draft
  - Coaches' clinic: not discussed
  - Coaches/volunteer meeting at Beacon
    - Scott to set up before January clinic
  - Picture day
    - April 27/2025
      - Plan to use PMI, unless someone else wants to find another photographer
- Position Updates
  - President: Bre
  - Vice President: Scott
  - Treasurer Report: Diann and Shannon
    - Shannon building a budget to present at the next meeting
      - Budget will be separated house, travel, etc

- Secretary: Carolyn-no updates
- Head of Rules and Umpires: Rob-contacted Bre and no updates
- Division coordinator: Jason-no updates
- Concessions: Jeanette Weller-not present
  - Erin has concession credit card and key to hand over, will help when she can
  - Amy to help, keeping key
- Pony: open
- AAA: Matt Mendez, no update-not present
- AA: Brian Joyce-no updates
- A: open
- Stars: Jeff Ritzema-not present
- Player agent: open
- Field Maintenance: Frank D not present
- PT travel: Brendan
  - Will play in Lakeshore feeder
  - 13U: Vito
  - 10U: Metzler
  - 9U: Brendan
- Sponsorship: open
- Fundraising: open
  - Consider selling Dick's sporting goods coupon books at Winter Wonderland
- Safety: Matt
  - AED pads expire 12/19/2025
  - First aid kits in concessions, will need to be check prior to start of spring season
  - Need one coach/manager from each team CPR certified

- CPR class to be provided by park district
    - Background checks to be done on coaches and board members
- New business
  - All-star team
    - Will discuss with A and AA coaches at evaluations
    - For kids that are not playing travel
- Ongoing discussion
  - 2025 registration Sports Engine: plan for go live 1/1/2025
    - Player, coaches, and sponsorship registration
    - Each division will have its own registration
    - Mark to update website
    - No change in pricing
    - Add box to for volunteer
  - Spring uniforms
    - Shirts and hats will be ordered through the same company used for fall league
    - Check current inventory prior to order pants for spring season
  - New signs
    - Stored at Seminole
    - Maybe board members to take a sign and post at home
    - Post at parks, schools, and homes
  - Background checks
    - To be done through the park district
    - No one will be permitted to draft without clearance
  - By-law revisions
    - Will need to set up a separate meeting for those that would like to help

- Would like to have new by-law proposal by the new year and in place by draft day
- Zoom meetings
  - Scott and Brendan to set up for those not able to attend
- DPYB website
  - Post minutes and financials on website
- Financial hardships
  - In the past, hardships were brought to the board, and things were worked out such as volunteering
  - Consider an option available in registration to ask for help
- Next meeting: Wednesday December 18<sup>th</sup> 7 pm @ Prairie Lakes
- General meeting adjourned