**MVLL Board Meeting Minutes**

**April 8, 2019 7:00p.m.**

**Attendance:**LJ Warren,Kenny Gierloff, Eric Matteson, Aaron Bennett, Paul Vernet, Becky Konjas, Pete Longo, Mark Signore, Jeremy Donelson, Pete Lubcker

* Budget & Status –
  + Account total $21,400 including $6,629 in registration fees. Registration down 24% from last year, and scholarships are up. Registrations were 142 at this time in 2018 – now at 118
  + P.O. Box key missing – Pete will locate or replace
  + Discussion regarding majors shirts – t-shirts vs nicer upgraded design (triple price of t’s) – it was noted that even with the higher price for these shirts, uniform costs will be significantly less this year than previous years
  + There is a sod cutter available locally for $1250 – Eric to follow up
* Schedule
  + Interleague games scheduled for two Tuesdays and two Saturdays – discussion about whether Tuesdays are too difficult for families to have games in Kingston. A motion was made to keep interleague games on both Tuesdays and Sundays–9 in favor, 1 opposed
  + Pete Longo & Eddie Raymond are interested in coaching an 8/9/10 All Star team
* Field conditions
  + Field preparations ongoing at all fields
  + Fence is down at Rick Volz – maintenance being completed by Friends of Rick Volz, but no communication with Little League about when fence will be back up. Field not safe for play until fence back up. LJ to look into when repairs will be complete
  + Need to purchase balls, catcher’s mitts
* Umpire Clinic
  + Clinic scheduled for Saturday, 4/20 at Grant Avery – run by Gene Sorbellini
  + MVLL to provide shirts, hats, and counters for each umpire
* Registration - Tee ball at 34 – will keep open. Late registration in minors – Aaron to open registration
* Uniforms (Majors) - A motion was made to upgrade majors uniform jerseys to the 2-color option – passed 9 in favor, 1 opposed
* Fundraising
  + No pancake breakfast available this spring due to changes in the West Hurley FD
  + Lori is emailing businesses for banner renewals
* Background checks
  + Umpire and coach background checks being completed by Kenny
* Coaching ideas
  + Aaron noted there are web and app based coaching resources through USA Baseball (sportdev.org and USABaseball Mobile Coach)
  + There was a discussion about encouraging the Coach Certification this year and making it mandatory next year
* Minors trades requested and approved
  + Due to transportation issue: Jeremy to the Orioles
  + Cam to Pirates
  + Sebastian to the Tigers

Next meeting May 29th, 7:30 p.m. at Boiceville Inn