

## Mountain Valley Little League Board Minutes

Date: February 17, 2025    Location: The Boiceville Inn

Start time: 6:20pm

### Attendance:

Terry Speck, Kayla Sharon, Tom Sharon, Lisa Treasure, Chris Constant, Geordana Constant, Kristen Lobb, Amanda Longo

### President's report:

We need to pay our balance for our waiver. Terry will pay online. Terry has the certificate for this upcoming season. We need to solidify dates. We need to make sure that going forward we follow all safety protocols after the incident at the first clinic. We need to make sure there are enough volunteers to be at all the stations.

### Treasurer's report:

**\*\* WE MUST VOTE ON THE BUDGET VIA EMAIL BY 5pm on Friday, February 21st**

Via email:

Current balance of \$13584.89, inclusive of payment of ~\$1,800 for new equipment (thank you Ben!). This puts us in a (slightly) better financial position than we were at this time last year, closer to the 2023 balance at this time.

I know there are other expenses I haven't yet seen, like league dues (I believe we need the final or at least estimated # of teams?). Please just send them my way.

Taxes for the last 3 years have been filed, I need to get those over to LL with our balance statements and then can work on getting our tax exempt status updated to save us some \$\$.

Terry - As of January Terry said we have \$15,014 including \$2800 credit.

Vote to pay John Malloy payment: Terry made the motion. Tom 2nds. All in favor.

Fundraising:

N/A

Field Maintenance:

Nothing new.

2025 Season:

We need to investigate why credit cards aren't always going through on the website and follow up with people who still need to pay via check. Jake is going to check it out. Jake will enter any registration forms from the last clinic and the upcoming one. Terry will deposit registration money.

Kayla has reached out to many people regarding the snack shack repair. She is also reaching out to Herzogs for materials. The church donated a window slide. Kayla has volunteers and is waiting on material. Terry asked for a cost estimate of materials. We should reach out to the town and try to attend the next meeting.

The MVLL Board agrees that field clean-up should be during the first week of practices during each team practice. Many hands make small work.

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Practice starts the week of March 31st.
- Games start the week of April 26th
- MVLL day will be May 17th
- Safety Meeting March 26th 6:30-8 at Boiceville Inn with a coaches meeting to follow

G requests that any agenda items be sent to her, at least, 24 hrs in advance.

### Safety

I have some concerns about our last clinic that need to be addressed so that our next clinic runs well. Also, I am not pointing fingers at anyone or blaming anyone. I am just stating some problems that need to be resolved.

- There were some coaches that were with our players that were not background/ training cleared. I had a conversation with the coaches. If you know of a coach that wants to volunteer, please check with me if they're cleared. Going forward we have to make sure coaches are cleared and trained prior to helping in any way.

\*We will try to target coaches from last year and reach out by phone and email.

- There were some players that were not registered (online or paper) that participated in the clinic. Moving forward with our correspondence about clinics, we need to note that they must be registered before they participate. We have to have one point of entrance. That will help with registration.

\*We will send an email with specifics including entrance details, registration and reminders.

- We need more coaches to attend the clinics to help assist with drills. How many of our current board members will be at the next clinic? Also, can we please contact coaches from last year to help us out. If a coach can volunteer at the next clinic, let me know so I can get them cleared. It would be beneficial for our board members to attend both baseball and softball.

\*We need preassigned drills with someone at each drill. This will allow player agents to freely move around.

Who will be there on Saturday?

Amanda Longo and G can do registration for both.

Coaches attending: Terry Speck, Kristen Lobb, Jake Millman, Kayla Sharon, Ben Umanov

Chris Constant and Tom Sharon (player agents) should not be in charge of any drills. They should be able to move around freely to evaluate players.

Drills need to be set before we get there. Coordinators can tell coaches what drill they are in charge of. We will have the gym separated for batting and fielding. If we have a lot of kids attending we may have to have groups sit aside and wait. Since we do not know if any coaches other than board members will be there, this seems the safest way to run the clinic.

- At the Glenbrook shed, can anyone confirm that there is a backpack labeled: Medical bag. In that bag should be first aid kits. If not, Ben: Can you please order first aid kits and extra disposable ice packs.

There are ice packs and a few things in the shed. Terry thinks we need to get new ones. Terry is going to order them for Saturday.

G will reach out to Ben regarding Saturday with rules. (enter through trophy entrance, must be registered, parents can't leave)

Safety meeting run by Terry (First Aid) and Jake (league) March 26th 6:30-8 at Boiceville Inn with a coaches meeting to follow.

Executive Session 6:45

Executive Session Ends 7:02

#### Sponsorship/Uniforms/Banners

Ben and Lisa reconfigured the sponsorship form.

Home Run Sponsorship - Jeff Sutton, Timberlake, Wadler Bros. Margaretville Telephone  
co

Three Banners: Downs Dumpster

Waiting to hear from Bread Alone, Yum Yum Noodles

Uniforms - No new information. The board would like to price out the jerseys from a few years ago. The board agrees that keeping uniforms local is convenient.

Ben - please close majors registration on March 1st for baseball and softball.

### Gear Purchasing

Gear has been ordered and is in hand in Ben's garage. \$1811 total including \$250 coupon from Dick's. MVLL to support Dick's in the spring with some promo mailings and discounts to offer MVLL families the weekend of April 11. (via email from Ben)

### Concessions

Amanda reports that on the Little League website they have lots of information regarding concessions. Her goal is to keep track of receipts, buy better snacks that get us a profit, and keep an inventory list.

Terry is requesting an idea of what we are buying and where for the next meeting. Kayla is waiting to see if Sam's Club will donate to all three snack shacks. As of now we have \$50 to spend at Sam's Club

### Misc. Items to address:

☒ Clinic 2/22

☒ Field Updates

- ☒ ~~Date/Time/Place for the Safety Meeting~~
- ☒ ~~Who is doing first aid and AED training?~~
- ☒ ~~Paper forms from the last clinic...who enters these? Volunteer?~~
- ☒ ~~Registration update: Tee Ball 18, Coach Pitch baseball 15, Kid Pitch baseball 19, Majors baseball 6, Coach Pitch softball 8, Kid Pitch softball 9, Majors softball 8. Total: 83. (as of Feb 14)~~
- ☒ ~~Snack shack repair project update -- did we find any volunteers? (Kayla)~~
- ☒ ~~Gear has been ordered and is in hand in Ben's garage. \$1811 total including \$250 coupon from Dick's. MVLL to support Dick's in the spring with some promo mailings and discounts to offer MVLL families the weekend of April 11.~~
- ☒ ~~Where do the Health Forms go that are emailed?~~
- ☒ ~~Sponsorship update from Lisa?~~
- ☒ ~~Field clean up days — make the kids put in some time at a team practice, vs. dedicated full-league clean-up day? (For the record: I think we just have our kids do it. No one ever shows up to the full league clean-up days. 15 kids with shovels and gloves will make a good dent on the work in 15 minutes! Multiply that by however many teams and we're in great shape. It also will give them a sense of pride and purpose, having contributed to the field they play on.)~~
- ☒ ~~Coaches for the upcoming February 22 clinic: I really need help with this. Can someone reach out to Dale, Wes, Mark Signore? Any coaches that didn't come to the January clinic. Jeremy also might be willing.~~

Public comments:N/A

G moves to adjourn the meeting. Kristen Lobb 2nds. All in favor.

End time: 8:09 pm

*Next meeting is scheduled 3/10 @ BI*