

# Brunswick Girls Softball

## Minutes

04/09/14

06:30 PM

Brunswick Fire Company #1 Sycaway

<b>Meeting called by</b>	Board
<b>Type of meeting</b>	Board Meeting
<b>Facilitator</b>	Eric Buckley Vice President
<b>Note taker</b>	Dave Robilotto
<b>Timekeeper</b>	Eric Buckley
<b>Attendees</b>	Eric Buckley, Melissa Graber, Dave Robilotto, Pat Ryan, Stacy McClurg, Todd Catlin, Chuck DeCittise, Kathy Castiglione, Patsy Collins, Collen Bisceglia, Stephanie Ellis, Joe Castiglione, Linda Dagostino, Stacy McClurg, Mike Madigan, Dan Laferriere, Chuck DeCittise Guest - Jennifer Boehm, Kris Hayden, Anna Moon, Michael Cowieson, Scott Delsignore Absent - Ed Thompson (excused)

## Agenda Topics

**6:30 – 8:30PM**

### OLD BUSINESS

<b>Discussion</b>	Reading of old minutes
<b>Motion</b>	Stacey McClurg

<b>Accepted</b>	Todd Catlin, Stephanie Ellis
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### NEW BUSINESS

<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Linda suggested that we raise prices on some items. Cheese machine was purchased to make it easier for nachos. Soda will be lowered from \$1.25 to \$1.00 and gatorade will be raised from \$1.50 to \$2. Pretzels will be \$2 and \$2.50 with cheese. Popcorn chicken will be raised to \$3.50. Do a nacho supreme for little extra. Guiseppe's said their 24 cut will be 16.95 said will work with us if we pay cash. Buy a Kuerig coffee maker over get a coffee machine, easier, no mess and hot chocolate can be done. We will be offering sausage, egg and cheese sandwiches for travel teams. Eric, Pat and Todd got scolded</p> <p>Travel Ball structure – Eric Buckley drafted up structure for travel softball for Brunswick so that everyone knows how it works and to make sure it is fair. Charge a fee to make sure parent/child are committed and if girl is not good enough feelings would not be hurt, no everyone in agreement. Mandatory tryouts on a specific date, not everyone in agreement. Prevent problems of having the kids changing teams after saying they would play for another team. Should have an Elite 8U team to get them experience with local league tourneys. We need to have a travel coordinator which Pat Ryan was voted in. Joe suggested we make managers who were selected kept confidential until after tryouts. Hudson Mohawk rule – first year at a level that team is in the white division and second year the team will be in the red division.</p> <p>Chuck questioned the structure of taking Todd's leftovers from the tryouts and why he couldn't pick from the same pool of players. Explained that we need one ELITE team and if there is enough interest and talent a second "B" team could be formed. Buy out for 16U girls ONLY was put into travel structure at a cost of \$55. Eric - Nobody is guaranteed to be manager every year and candidates will be evaluated every summer. Patsy – Question about fall ball separate than travel and if there could be a fall ball team that's not travel. Received an answer of yes. Patsy questioned that girls raised funds and paid for uniforms then come August there is no guarantee that they will be on the team. Travel is from August thru July and this team started late in the season. Chuck was told he would need to raise more money to cover costs of travel ball. Colleen wanted to know the difference of Fall ball compared to Travel. Fall ball is a second arm of Hudson Mohawk where kids can play to get some experience and a level of travel teams that could play one another. Fall ball is not as aggressive as Travel. Todd mentioned that the entry fee into a tournament is \$500. Travel Structure NOT ready to be voted on Eric will rework the language.</p>
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	Colleen wants to do a coaches game where funds couequild be raised that would go to charity. Joe said that you have to contact the charity and someone from that charity has to be at the event. No objections. Colleen put 2 tubs under the pavilion for equipment donations.
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<b>Vote</b>	Pat Ryan voted in as Travel Coordinator  Passed
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<b>Vote</b>	Remove \$25 fee for tryouts.  Passed
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<b>Vote</b>	Required to go to tryouts  Passed
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<b>Vote</b>	Tryout by age level 16U down to 10U so child can play up if good enough.  Passed
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<b>Vote</b>	Manager can take between 10-13 girls, manager's discretion. Maximum of 13 players.  Passed
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<b>Vote</b>	Manager discretion on playing team for each player  Passed
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<b>Vote</b>	Selecting manager before the tryouts, everyone will know who the manager is.  Passed
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<b>Vote</b>	Manager will pick the roster for the team.  Passed
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<b>Conclusions</b>	Structure for Travel needs to be done so that everyone knows what is expected and Eric will work on the language for the next meeting in May.
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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

<b>Discussion</b>	Signup number is 178 enrolled and made \$15,000 from registrations. Discount given out was \$610, late fees total was \$380. The program didn't include the schedule has all the teams with rosters and sponsors. Allow 1 schedule change a year and will be out soon to all the managers. Only April-May at first then June once Hudson Mohawk releases their schedule. Brought in \$10,000 in sponsorships ordered 14 new signs. Town has been contacted to come on Opening Day. Ida Blair was contacted and unable to attend. Todd McClurg made a sign to hang on Concession Stand that says "Ida Blair's Snack Shack". Todd also installed a new countertop for concession. Ida will give us a day where she will be able to come to the fields. Rec uniforms were ordered and are not going to do visors for majors. Uniforms will be tye-dyed and coaches will get shirts too.
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**VP REPORT**

<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Pat – talked to Phil batting cage up, fix gates and run electrical over to field 2 on Monday. Have to get him to paint sheds and fix field 1. Pat is managing the fields availability. Travel house ball comes first for practice time. If travel wants to practice do it on Sunday or use one of the other fields in the town. 2 hour block for practices. 9am-12pm for field day. Will have ASA rule books for managers and fax machine will be hooked up for background checks. Need code of conducts for managers and coaches. Cannot have any interaction with kids until background checks sent in.</p> <p>Eric – we were voted back in as a member in good standing to get back into Hudson Mohawk cost us \$110 as a league. 2 hour meeting great discussion about Todd's 10U team playing up at the dome. Proud how good and competitive his team is. Discussion about us having 2 white teams and other leagues had a problem with that. Suggested that we shouldn't have two 10U teams and Dave Copeland said Travel shouldn't be an extension of house. Eric is asked if one team could beat another team and yes this should be a RED team. But, Eric convinced them to let us for first two weeks and then Todd's team will be evaluated whether they should move to RED. They were NOT happy that the second travel team was just started and that team should be ONLY in Fall Ball. Todd – Hudson Mohawk was started to prepare kids for tournaments. Joe Castiglione asked Scott Delsignore if all his former travel players played in house league, answered YES. Joe agreed that we should continue this. Chuck's team is White no matter what.</p> <p>Picture night, Patsy and Jenn are running this and uniforms will be delivered.</p> <p>Schedule of games Kathy did the whole month. Jim took all the mini minor games. And was notified June games may change due to Travel changes.</p> <p>Dan, asked about prices for umpires, Jim is \$30, 1 ASA umpire is \$60, 2 ASA umpires is \$88 (\$44 each). Hudson Mohawk must be ASA, 10U only 1 umpires, 12U and up 2 umpires, parents are responsible for these fees.</p> <p>Graftonondack donating a kayak for fundraiser where people can throw a tennis ball for \$5. Kayak will be behind second base and first ball in wins the kayak. Monies will be used to start an account that will start funding lights for second field. Electrical needs to be upgraded from the street pole before this can be done.</p> <p>Equipment was handed out, 7 game balls in each bag. Travel needs to get their own. Some will be in the concession in case we need extra. Every year Eric will buy new equipment at each level. When game is over shake down the umpire for the ball. <b>THEY WILL TAKE THEM.</b> The equipment will be monitored what each team has. The equipment belongs to the league not to the Managers!</p> <p>Executive Board approved purchase of a tarp for Field 1 for \$2,000 and Phil Herrington will provide a culvert to roll it up. This will save money in the long run without having to purchase speedy dry. Pat concerned about getting it off the field. Many voiced that we need to get parents involved in helping getting the tarp off the field. Chuck was concerned that where he plays softball they have a tarp and it just sits there never being used for 5 years. Melissa and Todd said you could never get the field right using speedy dry and digging trenches so, this will be a good purchase. Stephanie said Stew can come and help out who ever needs the help.</p> <p>Joe volunteered to help anyone who needs it to put on and take off the tarp.</p>
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<b>Motion</b>	To do kayak fundraiser for lights on field 2
	By Eric Buckley

<b>Accepted</b>	Stacey McClurg	Dave Robilotto
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<b>Motion</b>	Purchase of the Tarp
	By Dave Robilotto

<b>Accepted</b>	Pat Ryan, Joe Castiglione
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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Discussion	Concession:	<u>\$2,765.93</u>	
	House:	<u>\$19,489.71</u>	
	Umpire:	<u>\$9.25</u>	
	10B U Travel:	<u>\$205.00</u>	(DeCitise)
	10A U Travel:	<u>\$2,191.00</u>	(Catlin)
	12 U Travel:	<u>\$859.25</u>	(Castiglione)
	18 U Travel:	<u>\$1,586.00</u>	(Madigan)
	Total:	\$27,106.14	

Conclusion	
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Accepted	
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**OPEN DISCUSSION**

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Motion	Close Meeting By Eric Buckley
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Accepted	Stacey McClurg	Linda D'Agostino
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Next Month's Meeting June 11