



**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
January 12, 2017, 7:00 pm  
Location: Lakeview**

**Attendees:**

Jason O'Connell	Darren Ayotte	Jennifer Hencke	John Mazzariello
Todd Teresco	Jenn Serian	Owen Devine	Bob Wallen
Ed Serian	Brad Guenther	Matt Ciprioni	Bob Schuman
Gene Bradley	Nick Lettieri		

**Unable to Attend:**

Andy Murphy	John Pember	Kevin Washock	Sev Parrottino
Matt Decker	Ed McMahon	Buddy Hencke	Kyle Belokopitsky

**December Minutes - John**

**Motion to accept the December minutes by Jen Serian, seconded by Jen Hencke., all in favor – Motion is approved.**

**Treasurer's Report - Todd**

- a) Operating Cash – Down about \$12,300 from the prior year but still in a very strong cash position. 2017 Charter was paid in December for \$5,974 (2016 charter was paid in January 2016). Many large capital improvements were completed in FY16.
- b) Restricted Cash – Up about \$21,765, mainly a result of \$21,700 in grants and contributions received which are designated for construction of the 60/90 field at Williams Road.
- c) Field Maintenance – Includes costs associated with the P1 infield renovation.
- d) Form 990 – Todd will likely file IRS Form 990 in January if the all-star collections issue is resolved. If not, we will file an extension.
- e) Collections – Bob Schuman is continuing to work to collect the outstanding receivable balances.

**Motion to accept the January Financial Report by Gene, seconded by Nick, all in favor – Motion is approved.**

**Travel Warrior Update – Beth Moore**

- a) Beth Moore President, Twin Town Warriors requesting field usage for the upcoming spring 2017 season. Similar request as previous years, Warriors would like to continue using the Poestenkill complex every Friday and Sunday throughout the 2017 spring season. Beth also noted the Warriors program has

significantly increased their enrollment from last year (46 in 2016 to 78 in 2017). With that said, Beth has asked the TLL board for an additional 3 hours of field usage per week at either the Poestenkill or Williams Road complexes.

- b) Bob Wallen mentioned TLL may have Saturdays at 8–11 am available for the additional field time the Warriors program is looking for.
- c) Jason reiterated that TLL needs to first confirm how many teams and players we will have for the Spring 2017 season. TLL needs to ensure we have adequate field times for practice and games before additional field usage commitments are made to other programs.
- d) TLL will view this as two separate requests. First, similar to last year, warriors requesting the Poestenkill complex for Fridays and Sundays. Second request, 3 hours of additional field space to accommodate the growth the warriors program is expecting for the 2017 season.
- e) TLL board agreed to vote on first request only and table the second request regarding additional field usage until TLL better understands what we need to support our players. Future discussions are required.

**Motion made by Jason to grant field usage to the Twin Town Warrior program. The field usage will consist of the Poestenkill complex on Fridays and Sundays through-out the 2017 spring season. Seconded by Matt C., all in Favor – Motion is approved.**

#### **Poestenkill Concession Director – Jason**

- a) TLL currently has vacant board seat related to the Poestenkill Concession.
- b) Rebecca Lettieri has indicated an interest in supporting TLL and would like to join the board as the Poestenkill Concession Director.

**Motion made to approve Rebecca Lettieri as the Poestenkill Concession Director made by Jason and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jenn H., all in favor – Motion is approved.**

#### **T-ball / Rookie Level Director - Jason**

- a) TLL also has vacant board seat related to the T-ball / Rookie level director.
- b) Marc Dikant has indicated an interest in supporting TLL and would like to re-join the board as the T-ball / Rookie level director.

**Motion made to approve Marc Dikant as the T-ball / Rookie level Director made by Jason and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John., all in favor – Motion is approved.**

#### **Registration – Jason.**

- a) Jason noted the TLL 2017 registration is now opened via [www.tll.siplay.com](http://www.tll.siplay.com).
- b) Registration activity is currently low but comparable to previous years
- c) TLL has requested an ad in the Advertiser to promote the 2017 registration which will run for one month.

- d) Andy ordered the registration fliers which were divided up to various board members. Board members are to cascade the fliers to various schools within the TLL district to promote the 2017 registration.
- e) TLL is expecting to do two in-person registration days, Andy to lead this effort.
- f) March 25<sup>th</sup> will be the Player Evaluation day at Gardner Dickenson.

### **Concession Beverages – Jenn S.**

- a) Jenn Serian and the TLL E-board had a meeting with the DeCrescente Distributing Company to discuss beverages for both TLL concessions.
- b) Previous years TLL has leveraged Pepsi as the beverage supplier which we no longer have a contract with.
- c) Todd mentioned Pepsi has notified TLL to expect a rate increase in 2017 but Pepsi did not provide specifics.
- d) DeCrescente price points are very comparable to what we made to Pepsi last year.
- e) Jenn mentioned how much more of a selection DeCrescente has versus Pepsi. Including various seltzers, iced teas, bottle water and sports drinks.
- f) Various discussion regarding DeCrescente having a limited Cola / Diet Cola offering.
- g) Another important point is that DeCrescente will pick up all empties and provide TLL \$0.075 refund per bottle. TLL will need to create large/lockable bins at each complex so people can properly dispose all returnable bottles.
- h) DeCrescente also agreed to provide TLL a sponsorship of \$500 for the 2017 season
- i) No annual contracts or commitments.

**Motion made to approve DeCrescente as the TLL beverage supplier made by Jenn S. and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John., all in favor – Motion is approved.**

### **2017 Rules Update – Darren**

**Please refer to separate attachments for all approved 2017 TLL rules by Division. Below are specific rule changes voted and approved by the Board:**

- a) Motion to approve 2017 general League rule changes, items #4,9,14,15,17-20, & 21 made by Darren, seconded by Bob, all in favor, motion approved.
- b) Motion to approve 2017 Rookie Level rule change, within fielding section – adding the catcher position as an infield position, made by Darren, seconded by John, all in favor, motion approved
- c) Motion to approve suggested change in Farm Level Rules specific to #F, coaches on the field. Suggested change of not allowing a pitching coach on the pitcher's mound while the player is pitching and allowing two defensive coach's in the outfield only. Motion is opposed by majority and **not** approved

- d) Motion to approve suggested change in Farm Level Rules specific to #H, Pitching rules. Suggested change is to include coach must pitch from the rubber, made by Darren, second my Gene, all in favor, motion is approved.
- e) Motion to approve all farm level playoff rules into a separate section, made by Darren, second by Nick, all in favor – motion is approved
- f) Motion to approve suggest minor level rule change in #B to extend the Five (5) run rule through the entire game. Motion is opposed by majority and **not** approved
- g) Discussion in Minor Level rules regarding what a delayed steal is. TLL has a specific rule regarding no delayed steal but TLL unable to define or articulate what a delayed steal is. Darren to take the lead on finding an appropriate definition for delay steal to enforce the rule.
- h) Motion to approve all minor level playoff rules into a separate section, made by Darren, second by Nick, all in favor – motion is approved
- i) All Approved 2017 level rules will be included in the TLL By-laws and also posted on [www.tll.siplay.com](http://www.tll.siplay.com).

### **Board Member Updates (All)**

**Jenn S** – would like to leverage the \$750 Verizon check received for concession stand upgrades. Jenn to work with the TLL E-board on this request.

**Matt C.** – CPR session to be coordinated in a future board meeting. TLL will need to carve out 45 -60 minutes for the CPR education. Jason will need to bring the TLL AED specific units for board members to train on.

Adjourned 9:06 PM

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 9, 2017 – Lakeview – 7:00 PM

Submitted by John Mazzariello