



OCEE PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 23, 2006

MEETING BROUGHT TO ORDER

President Wayne Henderson brought the meeting to order at 3:30 PM at OCEE Park Pavilion.

Board members present: Rick Holcombe, Julie Munoz, Lalo Munoz, Reese Jacobs, Keith Siegfried, and Wayne Henderson.

Board members absent: Skip Hamel, Kathy Robb, JD Rutledge, and Gillen Young.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The first order of business was the election of officers for the Board for 2006-2007. Wayne Henderson was elected to serve as President and returning Board members Reese Jacobs (Player Agent/Registrar/Information Officer), Julie Munoz (Treasurer), Lalo Munoz (VP Softball Operations), JD Rutledge (Umpire in Chief), and Keith Siegfried (Safety and Equipment) were elected to serve in the same capacities they served in 2005-2006. The newly elected board members were selected to the following officer positions:

- Skip Hamel – Select Program Coordinator
- Rick Holcombe – VP Baseball Operations
- Kathy Robb – Committee Coordinator (Fundraising, Uniforms, Trophies, Special Events)
- Gillen Young – Secretary/Field Operations

OLD BUSINESS

Auxiliary Committee / Booster Club

- Scoreboards – The ReMax sponsored scoreboard intended for Conklin Field should be delivered and installed in mid-October.
- Jacobs/Lang Field Screens – Reese reported that a quote from Tommy Barber Sports, Inc. had been received that covers the installation of netting down the right field lines of Jacobs and Lang Fields as well as the left field line of Lang Field. The cost of the installation will be covered by a grant from Fulton County with the exception of \$940 which will be covered by OPAA. Julie confirmed that OPAA has reserves to cover the entire project cost in the event Fulton County does not provide the grant money as promised. Reese made a motion that the project be approved, it was seconded by Rick Holcombe, and passed without objection. Reese will contact Tommy Barber to commence the effort and Bobby will coordinate with Fulton County for utility markings prior to the effort.
- Wheelchair Ramps – Hank will contact Fulton County for the latest status. The original recipient of the bid declined to proceed with the work and Fulton County has re-bid the effort for a 2nd time. Hopes of having the ramps installed for the Fall season are fading. The goal will now be to make sure that the ramps are fully installed for the Spring 2007 season.
- Field 2 and 3 Upgrades – Gillen coordinated work day efforts on Fields 2 and 3 between the end of the summer District 2 tournaments and the start of the Fall season. Both fields are in excellent shape. Gillen will continue work on defining a turf and field maintenance program for all Ocee Park fields.

- Nichols/Field 1 – Hank coordinated with Fulton County for the timely re-installation of the permanent outfield fences on Nichols Field and Field #1 following the completion of the Men's Adult softball league on 9/17.
- Board Minutes from 8/10/06 – a motion was made by Reese and seconded by Lalo that the Board Minutes from the 8/10/06 meeting be amended to reflect that a Board meeting was not scheduled nor held on 8/24/06. The motion passed without objection.

NEW BUSINESS

Secretary Report – Wayne Henderson (acting)

- Wayne Henderson confirmed that the minutes had been reviewed from the Board Meeting on August 10, 2006. A motion was presented, seconded, and passed unanimously that the minutes that were e-mailed after the last meeting were accurate as documented.

Treasurer's Report – Julie Munoz

Current Financials

- Julie presented a Treasurer's Report. Some Fall expenses remain to be paid but sufficient funds and operating reserves are in place. All revenue from registration including Active.com checks and fees collected from Wait List players has been received.
- A preliminary Spring 2007 budget was reviewed and revisions were suggested. Julie will update the proposed budget and present at the next Board meeting. Reese will provide to Julie and the Board the expected Babe Ruth charter and insurance fee costs based on the proposed league alignment for the Spring 2007 season.

Committee Report (Reese)

- Trophy update: Fall participation trophies are expected to be delivered to Denise Fasone by 10/20 at which time she will schedule trophy pickup for all affected teams.
- Approval of Participation Pin Expenditure (voice vote): On 9/10, Reese presented a proposal to the Board by email for the authorization of a custom 2" participation pin for the Fall 2006 season. Several designs were presented along with a price quote not to exceed \$1450 for 750 pins. On a voice vote, the Board approved the expenditure for pins for all Fall participants and all Board members agreed on the same preferred pin design.
- Participation Pin update: The custom Ocee Park Fall 2006 Little League participation pin to be provided to all Fall program participants are expected to be delivered by 10/20. Reese will coordinate the pickup for all Fall teams.

Safety and Equipment – Keith Siegfried

- Keith will recommend to the Board equipment turn-in dates for the Fall program which ends on 10/28. Once approved, Reese will ensure league commissioners are informed and that the information is also posted to the Ocee Park web site.

Player/Registration Issues – Reese Jacobs

- Fall 2006 Update – Reported that Fall registration and league alignment for 2006 was consistent with previous years. We have 50 teams in baseball ranging in age from 5-15 and 12 teams in softball ranging in age from 6-13. Close to 700 participants are in the Fall 2006 program.
- Fall Opening Day – the Fall season got underway on Saturday, 9/16, with perfect weather. A minor schedule error in the 8YO league which has since been corrected was the only significant issue.
- Fall Picture Day – the Fall Picture Day was also on Saturday, 9/16, with Gillen coordinating the effort. The pictures went very smoothly with no major issues. Finished pictures will be delivered to the Team Moms or Managers as indicated on the photo form submitted by each team to Gillen.
- Spring 2007 – Will send the Board an updated proposal for league alignment in the Babe Ruth baseball and softball program.
- Gap Insurance – Will speak to Babe Ruth headquarters about handling the insurance gap that will exist from 12/31/06 (expiration of Little League insurance) to 2/1/07 (start of Babe Ruth insurance).
- Special Games Application for Senior League – Updated the Board that Little League Southern Region has approved the Application for Special Games Permit to allow our Senior League teams to host Hopewell Youth Baseball 13-15 teams on Saturdays at Ocee Park. A check request form to cover the insurance fee to Little League was submitted to Julie for payment.
- Charter/Insurance – Will contact Babe Ruth to express our intent to charter in baseball and softball for the 2007 season and to ensure timely delivery of charter applications.

- League Boundary – A proposed league boundary map that will be presented to Babe Ruth that will define the area from which players may register for the OPAA program will be submitted to the Board for approval at the October meeting.
- Background Checks for Volunteers – Reported that the Little League program for performing background checks on volunteers will not be available to us under Babe Ruth. Additionally, RapSheets.com has been purchased by ChoicePoint complicating the procedures already in place for performing checks. Gillen to take the action item for identifying a replacement background check mechanism as well as associated costs.

NEXT MEETING – Wayne will notify the board of the next meeting date which is expected to be no later than the 3rd week of October since Spring 2007 registration is scheduled to commence in early November.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to end the meeting was presented, seconded, and carried.