

ESLL BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2010

A meeting of the Board of Directors of East Sacramento Little League was held at the Corner Restaurant, Sacramento, California beginning at 7:40 p.m. on October 13, 2010 with the following members present:

Mike Daponde	Jill Zenti
John Milliken	Robert Lemke
Mark Bauer	Will McMullen
Mark Loomis	Rick Osen
Bill Layne	Cindy Mortensen
Justin Panson	Shannon Quiroz
Heather Diaz	

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. In the absence of the secretary, Mike Daponde took minutes of the meeting.

After introductions of new members, upon motion made and seconded, the minutes from the June 16, 2010 meeting were approved.

Mike Daponde discussed the tentative dates for upcoming registration, Board meetings and other matters. The following tentative dates were set: (1) January 22 and 29, 2011 for baseball and softball try-outs (details TBD); (2) March 5, 2011 for Field Clean-up; (3) March 12, 2011 for the Hit-a-thon; (4) March 19, 2011 for Opening Day. The Board also determined that the draft would be held the week of February 7, 2011 and that both a softball clinic and a coaches clinic would be held in late February depending on the availability of the persons conducting the clinics.

Mr. Lemke next gave a brief update regarding Fall Ball. Under the direction of Howard Miyashiro, participation was down significantly from prior years. The Board discussed possible ways to increase participation next year.

Mr. McMullen gave a brief report regarding equipment. It was suggested that softball be budgeted separately this season. Also, there will likely be a need for new All-Star uniforms (baseball only) and one major

baseball team uniforms. It was agreed the new major team uniforms would not be the Yankees.

Ms. Mortensen next provided a report on financial matters, including a profit and loss statement. Board members will each prepare an estimate of the financial needs for their respective functions so that a budget can be developed and approved by the Board.

Mr. Osen gave a report on the status of the batting cage. He indicated that the labor for the grating would be donated and the cage would be completed within two to three months. Also, there is a need for a new softball pitching machine.

Mr. Daponde led a discussion on fundraising. The Board discussed several opportunities, such as (1) using the uniform supplier to sell hats and jerseys to family members with profits going to ESLL; (2) hosting one or more tournaments (possibly Memorial Day); (3) holding a crab feed; (4) selling personalized bricks and incorporating them into the landscape. Mr. Osen introduced the idea of a crab feed and agreed to look into using the St. Mary's hall to host it. Ms. Zenti agreed to research what holding a crab feed would entail in terms of cost, the need for volunteers, etc.

The Board next discussed the possibility of holding an end-of-the-season BBQ on the final day of the regular season with jump houses and other festival-type activities. The idea is to have the final day more resemble Opening Day in terms of festivities.

Mr. Daponde proposed the idea of forming various committees designed to assist the Board in carrying out its various responsibilities. The following committees (and chairs) were proposed.

- Fundraising Committee (Diaz/Loomis)
- Finance Committee (Mortensen)
- Website Committee (Bauer)
- Bylaws Committee (Daponde)
- Tournament Committee (Panson as Player Agent)
- 2011 Fall Ball Committee (Lemke)

The Board approved the idea of forming committees. Mr. Daponde agreed to follow up with a blast email to parents seeking volunteers.

The Board next discussed the logistics for registration for the upcoming season which will be led by Ms. Diaz. The Board agreed that the registration would be made available on the ESLL website, including payment through PayPal, and that the completed forms could be sent by mail to Ms. Diaz. Early registration will be Nov 1 through Dec 15. The Board agreed that new banners should be made. Ms. Diaz said she would have one day of live registration at the fields on December 11. The Board decided that it would not increase the cost of registration in 2011.

Upon motion made and seconded, the Board agreed to host the TOC for minors softball.

At 9:25 p.m., there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Mike Daponde, President