



Brewster Regional
Little League
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Minutes BRLI Board Meeting: 1/19/12

Present: Rich Kochanowicz, Ken Taber, Steve Kalinick, Al Harwood, Donny Vendetti, Dave Donohue, and Bruce Riley.

The meeting began at 6:00pm.

- Rich and Ken went over their meeting with the Brewster Recreation Board re. use of Freeman's Fields. Brewster Rec. had given BRLI the standard field rate for 2012, in accordance with Town policy. The members of the BRLI Board have been appreciative of the fee structure that has been offered in the past years by Brewster's Park and Recreation committee. However, as we had anticipated with the dissolution of Town Recreational baseball and the possible increase in player participation in BRLI, BRLI will be in need of additional fields to accommodate required practices and games for all players. Discussion did take place and the BOD felt that this may cause us to re-consider the player registration fee for 2012 season due to an anticipated increase in expenditures for more field use at Freeman's Way. Other options are being considered.
- There was further discussion regarding playoff structure. To be discussed further at next meeting.
- Rich informed the group that Chatham will now be assigned to Harwich Little League as part of their territory. Any players currently in Brewster LL and their siblings are eligible to remain in BRLI.
- Bruce briefly went over the new registration system. He will open up online registration this week and email all of last year's players in order to encourage them to register online. Steve Kalinick will contact The Cape Codder to advertise that registration is open. Flyers should be sent to schools – it was not decided who would carry that out.
- Some tentative dates were set, including the dates for the evaluation (3/24), draft (late in week of 3/26), first games (week of 4/23), and opening day (4/28). These dates are necessarily tentative until Ken arranges for the NRHS gym for the evaluations and Ken

and Rich arrange with Brewster Rec. regarding opening day. Bruce will include some rough dates (late March, etc) on the registration receipt and on the website.

- Dave informed the board that Steve Ellard would not be coaching, so there is still at least one managerial vacancy in the Majors, and possibly 2 in the Minors.
- Steve discussed a potential BRLL fundraising dinner at Laurinos. It would need to take place on a Wednesday evening in late March or early April. It was agreed that it would be best if done on the Wednesday after the evaluation. Steve said he would work with Kevin on setting this up.
- Donny Vendetti volunteered to replace Paul Fox as Safety Officer, and the board agreed unanimously.
- Steve mentioned the importance of purchasing a protective cover for the outfield fence at the Eddy field.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm. The next meeting will be held Thursday, 2/16 at 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Riley

Bruce Riley, Information Officer