
Meeting Agenda

May 11, 2023 • Pickwick's Pub • 7:30pm

APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES

17 Approved – 1 Abstained

REPORT OF FINANCE

- Checking - \$53,426.41
- Savings - \$100,534.39
- Venmo - \$2,830.50
- Petty cash - \$1,441.00

ACTION ITEMS FOR MAY

DANIELLE – NEW BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENTS

- Election of Board Members held every May:
- Odd number years: Vice President, Secretary, Registrar, Tournament Coordinator, Micro Division Coordinator, Minor Division Coordinator, Team Parent Coordinator, Equipment Coordinator, Marketing Coordinator, Uniform Coordinator, Webmaster.
- Open positions must be made available and posted, if position is already filled and someone puts their name in, it will go to a vote. Previously used Google Docs. Danielle to send out email for tomorrow.
- Transition August take effect in September .
- Last task as president appoint Lauren Doop as President

LAUREN

- Appointments:
 - 14-17U Coordinator - Tim VDV
 - 8U Coordinator - Jason Chlowitz
 - Ways & Means – Jessica Reyes
 - Umpire Coordinator - Scott Blodgett
 - Snack Shack Coordinator – Jaclyn Fletcher
 - Vice President – Nancy Farish
- Nancy- Bathrooms are still shut down for now, hoping to reopen May 22. Snack Shack, pest control found rodents, vacate snack shack as much as possible and so they can seal everything and clean it out

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- Equipment Room - Eric to pick out a couple days to clean it out.
1. **USA Softball cutoff date** changed to 9/1. How to implement? **NO DECISION**
 - With new cutoff date a few girls would be forced to stay down. Suggested: keep the 20% rule and allow kids to try out for the older division, if they make the top 20% then they can stay up. Peyton Kogan for 12U and Hayden Hirokawa-Rood for 8U.
 - Potential other kids affected: Natalia Baca Roldan, Eva Olmo, (need a list of kids this would impact)
 - Dana- motion to vote on allowing kids to tryout for upper division and make top 20%, table Heat discussion. NO VOTE
 - Candy- how would we handle HEAT if girls play up. If they are good enough to make gold in upper division, then they should stay?
 - Lauren – want to decide how to handle rec and save HEAT discussion for later.

****Process of consolidating all the operating rules whether playing up means playing up in heat. For now we vote on the cutoff date for September first and address heat later****

- Rachel- Proposal to give parents/families the right to decide if they would like their kids to play up. One time exception for this year only, and going forward to stay with that age group. Regarding HEAT, if they choose to move up, they stay up for HEAT, but if they don't make a HEAT team, no moving down. Once you are up, you stay up.
- Nestor – Agrees with Rachel's proposal. If the player decides to play up without try out, not making a HEAT team is a risk they are willing to take. Let girls play with their peer groups.
- Group: We had the HEAT protocol in place to make the lower divisions stronger. For older divisions, they'd lose players to move up and lose stronger players for the lower divisions, but agree to look into it and move discussion to next meeting.

Conclusion:

- Talk to Jared to see what the other leagues are doing regarding one time exceptions.
- Run report to see how many girls are affected by the 9/1 cutoff date.

POSTPONE VOTE TO NEXT MEETING – see what other leagues and also run the report

2. **Consolidate Heat Guidelines.** Current guidelines were revised in 2020 and not updated and then we added Select and Declarations. Courtney and I are working to consolidate them so we can post on the website. We will need to vote to approve them no later than the August meeting. Please note, due to the importance of this item, we will need a quorum for that vote. **Lauren has a rough draft for next meeting. Vote next meeting**
3. **Guidelines for WVGS Field Permits/3rd Party use:**

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4. Approval Process:
 - a. Submit permit application to Vice President (need to tweak EL Co permit application... sorry, can't think about this until after we get Heat Teams drafted but on my list ****POSTPONE TO NEXT MEETING****)
 - Contract ok to send out, and implementing new rates and proof of insurance.
 - Let Andrew know he needs to get us proof of insurance.
 - Reviewing insurance policy and lease with LAUSD
 - Nancy- to be in charge of approving the entity (permit application, contract, and proof of insurance)
 - Patrick – Keep track of cert of insurance and payment.
 - b. Provide proof of insurance naming WVGS/LAUSD as Additional Insured. Note – this will be required by all teams using our facilities and to be verified by the 3rd party signing the permit application if hosting friendlies. Applicant will be responsible for asking anyone with a dog to leave the premises immediately. Failure to implement any rules laid out in the Permit Contract, will result in applicant being ineligible for future permits.
 - c. No usage of fields or cages outside regular WVGS hours. Hours of operation:
 - i. M-F after 4pm
 - ii. Sat/Sun after 8am
 - d. Rates: ****if people are collecting money, then there should be a fee to be paid to the league****
 - i. \$25/hour per field for field use
 - ii. \$10/hour per cage
 - iii. \$100 damage deposit check per field returned after game/practice. We can hold the check if the 3rd party plans on obtaining future permits.
 - iv. 3rd party must bring their own chalk, is responsible for field prep/maintenance, and must properly secure the premises upon departure.
 - v. Payment immediately made to WVGS upon completion of event.
 - e. Only consider permits for people we know VERY well. Allowing people to use our fields increases our liability as a league. We MUST be careful.
 - f. NO TOURNAMENTS. Friendlies and practices OK.
 - g. If any current WVGS manager/coach wants to give private (paid) lessons, he/she must go through the approval process and submit proof of insurance. No exceptions.
 - h. WVGS has priority over any 3rd party applicant.
5. **Update on JRMT** enrollments and ESO using our fields? If we're having trouble with field prep, we should assign board members to fill in. Also touch base with Nancy to see if any outstanding rec snack shack families want to assist so we don't cash their checks....?
 - **Tournament has 31 teams, do we leave it open or run schedules to see what we are looking for?**
 - **Give it two more weeks to see who register. 15k estimated.**

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- If we don't have enough sign up we have to combine the divisions.
 - We are hosting ESO overflow. We will manage all the prep on Saturday. Previously we assigned people times, people complain or not show up, signup genius, first come first serve.
 - Courtney - Each manager has to assign our team field maintenance. Team parents have to collect the check, then give a list to manager who has already bought out.
 - ***Board members are not expected to do snack shack for HEAT but will be expected to be at the field***
 - We will need 2 checks from every family. Order rings by may 19. Rings for winners and losers or rings for winners and medals for losers. Check the cost for plastic rings.
6. Nancy – Can you also provide an update regarding your discussions with your LAUSD contact??
Previously discussed.
7. Manager Equipment Deposits- Should managers have to put a deposit for equipment? If yes how much?
- Send equipment list to Angie. Yes to manager deposits? How much? \$100 deposit...no vote
8. Manager Surveys
- Angie and Kirstan to own the manager surveys for REC, HEAT, AND SELECT.
 - Important to do this quickly with rec season just ending and HEAT about to start.
 - Good to have as reference and for potential candidates (good or bad)

ANGIE - Clarification on ejections for 8U

- Need to address poor treatment of youth umpires
- Meetings with managers: parents or one of your coaches get ejected then manager goes. Latest situation happened and need things to be clear without gray area. USA softball says if parent gets kicked out, managers get kicked out.
- OK for coaches to actively try to handle their parents to avoid ejection.

Dana – motioned to follow USA softball rules to manager ejection during current game plus one. All VOTED YES 17

Danielle - We need to release minutes within 3 days of the meeting.

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Discussion for next meeting**maybe no youth umpires in the fall? Make coaches or parents to do it?
Two shifts for parents to pick for umpire**?????

DAVID - how we will enlist people to help at the overflow for the ESO tournament at our place

1. Assignments
2. Signup Genius

NANCY – Snack Shack Items

- giving families second chance to do their shifts.
- If not by JR tournament then we cash the checks.
- **Mexcla truck can count as snack shack shift**

IMPORTANT DATES

5/7	All Star Practices Start
5/12 - 5-14	Moorpark Tournament
5/19 - 5/21	ESO Tournament
5/26 - 5/29	TO Tournament
5/31	Districts/States entry deadline
6/2 - 6/4	Carlsbad Tournament
6/9 - 6/11	JRMT - WVGS
6/16 - 6/18	B Teams Only: Simi Valley

Committee Reports

Lauren- additional note taker for each meeting.

David

Lorena- jerseys will be ready tomorrow.

Bowman- new rakes, chalkers broke got free parts. Golf cart is fixed with new seat.

Patrick- can we put savings in treasury to earn 5%

Motion to invest excess savings in short term us treasuries. **Vote-17 all yes.**

Danny – Danny and Billy temporary shades for the tournament in between 12u field and 8 u field. Field 5

Dana- input all the teams for heat with certs. will start scanning all birth certificates 1 coach per team has to have ACE certified, 2 preferred but 1 is ok.

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Candy – Meeting information will be made available to the public so that general members may attend the in person meetings. ****NEXT MEETING 6/7 AT WEST VALLEY SNACK SHACK @ 7:30 PM****

Directors Reports

MEMBERS PRESENT	
Name	Role
Lauren Doop	President - Executive
Nancy Farish	Vice President - Executive
Angelica Roldan	Head of Divisions - Executive
Patrick Sheffield	Treasurer - Executive
Dana Streit	Registrar - Executive
Candy Rudden	Secretary - Executive
Courtney Galdos	All Star Coordinator
David Hughes	Tournament Director
Shaela Wellbaum	Player Representative
Alisa Bissell	6U T-Ball & BlastBall Coordinator
Jason Chlowitz	8U Micro Coordinator
Tim Van Der Valk	14U -17U Major Coordinator
Rachel Rood	Marketing
Scott Blodgett	Umpire Coordinator
Danny Platt	Field Coordinator
Eric Bowman	Equipment Coordinator
Lorena Bojorquez	Uniform Coordinator
Jessica Reyes	Ways and Means
Nestor Olmo	General Member

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT	
Jaclyn Fletcher	Snack Shack Coordinator
Ari Jacobs	Player & Coach Development
Tananya Rogers	Uniform Coordinator
Allison McLain	Team Parent Coordinator
Kirstan Villasenor	10U Mini Coordinator

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Lorena Cuellar	12U Minor Coordinator