

March 3, 2009

Orange Grove Youth Association
Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Jimmy Spears	Bill Hardy
Keith Hogue	Mike Purser
Dee Enroth	Mike Arledge
Scott Simon	Wendell Cavalier
Bobby McCauley	Eddie Dear
Bobby Terwilliger	Dominic Virgilio

Meeting called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Officers Reports

Treasurers Report – Jimmy provided and read a copy of the treasurer's report.

New Business

Regional Tournament – Harvey and Cindy Simmons were both present to help with the planning of the regional tournament. All is going well with the planning of the tournament. Hotels have been arranged, food is taken care of. A camper needs to be attained for the umpires during the tournament. Wendell has taken care of the program. Sorg printing has agreed to print the programs. Wendell has designed a form for the sale of program advertisement that will be posted to the web. A logo needs to be designed for the tournament. All board members have been asked to think about a design.

Background Checks – There will be two last chances to take pictures for the background checks. Sean Campbell will let Keith know when he will have these opportunities. Background checks are taken longer than expected so we need to encourage everyone to get this done as quickly as possible.

Combining 7 and 8 yr olds (tournaments) – Due to the lack of players in the 8 yr old group, (3 teams) consideration has been given to allowing the 8 yr old teams to play the 7 yr olds in the tournaments. Discussion began by determining how the games would count towards league standings. It was determined that the 7 and 8's should play with no consequence for a win or a loss during the first two games. After pool play normal tournament rules will apply. 7 and 8's will not play each other during regular season play.

Picking up players tournaments/league – It has been brought to the boards attention that at various times throughout the year there will be times when teams will not have enough children to compete. Although rules had been revised in December not allowing anyone to pick up players to compete in a game, a discussion ensued on allowing teams to pick up players. There was discussion on a player pool and various other ways of allowing additional child pickup. After a vote of 9-3, it was determined that teams may pick up players in an effort to allow children to play in all games. If a team must pick up an additional child to play, it must come from a lower age group. The picked up child is to be placed in the outfield and will bat last on the roster. A picked up child must not be pre-determined.

All Star Selection Process – The board was asked to give input on how the all star selection process should be done. Jimmy Spears provided an idea that the board unanimously voted and agreed upon. An All Star coach application will be filled out by any coach (head or assistant) wanting to have a head coach position on an All Star-Team. These applications will be filled out and turned in by the middle of April. After all applications have been turned in, the Board will then decide from among the applications who the all star coaches shall be. If any Board members put in an application to coach, they will not be present for the portion of the selection process for their age group.

Travel League – In an effort to accommodate the growing demand for tournament ball and the children of OGYA Sports desire to play tournament baseball, Mike Arledge and Mike Purser have agreed to pursue the development of a travel league. This league will be made up of tournament style teams. This is not a recreational league. The ages will be from 7u up. Must have at least 5 teams in each age group to proceed. The travel league will be open to any tournament team. Games will be played on Wednesday and Sunday. Cost will be \$500.00 per team.

Schedules – Keith is still working on the schedule. Keith is having some trouble with conflicts in the schedule. However, the schedule is still to be ready for a March 19, 2009 release.

Sponsorships – Jimmy has placed a listing of all the teams on the web site. All commissioners need to check the site. Any team highlighted in yellow has not paid their sponsorship fees. Please contact those coaches and ask them to send their checks.

MLB Pitch, Hit and Run – The original date had to be cancelled. We still plan on having the event. Once a date has been decided it will be placed on the calendar on the web.

Letter from concerned member – a letter about a coach from a concerned member has been addressed.

Roy Parkinson Resignation – After many years of dedicated service, Roy Parkinson has decided to step down from the Board. The Board thanked Roy for all his years of dedication and hoped he would remain an active member of OGYA sports. In

accordance with Constitution, Keith Hogue nominated Adam Feeney to the Board. After unanimous vote by all members present, Adam Feeney is placed on the Board.

Motion made to adjourn meeting, Meeting Adjourned.