

**Schuylkill Valley Little League**  
**September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
**September 2010 Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance:** Holly Hoffman, Greg Dimovitz, Jon Gabel, Mark Emes, Paul Becker, Bob Kline, Rich Bagenstose, Scott Rickert

**August 2010 Minutes Approval:** Holly motioned to approve minutes, Greg Dimovitz 2<sup>nd</sup>, All in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Report given in detail by Greg Dimovitz.

**New September Business:**

**\*President's Report/Treasurer Report and any updates** – Greg Dimovitz reported that our lighting project will be approximately \$35,000.00 leaving us with a net balance of \$5,400.00. We owe the Borough \$500.00 in electric bills per date. All other bills are paid per date. Greg expressed that he enjoyed his reign as President. He will remain as "League Advisor" for any help or questions that is needed pertaining to dates of events, paperwork, etc.

**\*Fall Ball** – Mark reported there is 5 Fall Ball teams consisting of 1 major, 2 minors, and 2 coach pitch. Paul had gotten 3 sponsors for the major and minor teams @ \$100 per team. They would be Arthur Brinner Appliance, Woody's Automotive, and Leesport Farmer's Market. Holly gave Frontier Communications free sponsorship for 2 coach pitch teams since they donated a tremendous amount to the lighting project. Pagoda Electric was also given a free sponsorship for one team based upon their donations and participations in the project. Jon Gabel suggested that we rename our T-Ball and Coach Pitch teams due to parents mis-understanding our program. One suggestion would be "Instructional Level 1 and Level 2". Mark and Jon expressed concern about parents shying away from registering their kids for T-Ball if their young children do not need a "T" to hit. The "T" should only be used for instructional purposes and not a 'crutch' for the coaches. The goal is to get players hitting at a thrown ball as early as possible in the season. This issue will be addressed again in the October/November board meeting. Minors and Majors will again be 'skill' evaluated to accomplish even-skilled teams for each level unless voted on differently. Mark suggests we consider evaluating the Coach Pitch level to draft the players. Mark also presented a summary of players at each level, with suggestions for each level for the 2011 season. These suggestions will be discussed further at the next board meeting.

**\*Lighting Project** – Paul: We have 9 poles coming out and 6 poles going in. The new lights and wiring will be significant savings to SVLL on the electric bill. Rich Bagenstose donated ½ the expense of the 'ditch witch' rental from Fisher Rental. Thank You Rich! Pagoda has to get a bucket truck to put the lights up. We still need to rake out the lumps of dirt and piles of top soil, mainly the infields. We need volunteers to accomplish this. If we had 10 people it would take approx. 2-3 hours. With 5 people it would probably take all day. (Discussion: on the possibility of a Boy Scout troop helping out with work.) The fields need to be done so we can plant grass by mid October. Lighting Project is projected to be done by the first week of October.

**\*Spirit Wear Fundraiser** – Holly reported that the fundraiser had ended. There were still some orders coming in. Total sales will be between \$750.00 - \$1,000.00. The sales were good considering that PTO, Football, Soccer, and Swimming have their own spirit wear to sell. The sales for spring 2011 should be 3 times the amount of fall 2010. Our supplier has offered to bring all the spring orders to our Leesport fields to hand out in the spring. This will eliminate a huge chore for Holly. Holly and Marie will evaluate the items and may add some additional items for spring. Rich Bagenstose had asked about an athletic sports shirt which Holly will check into. Any other suggestions are welcomed.

**\*Board member nominations for the 2010/2011 year –**

Greg Dimovitz nominated: Mark Emes for Player Agent, Holly 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Greg Dimovitz nominated: Marie Perry for League Information Officer, Mark 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Greg Dimovitz nominated: Sue Bevans for Safety Officer, Paul 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Greg Dimovitz nominated: Holly Hoffman for Secretary, Paul 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Scott Rickert nominated: Rich Bagenstose for President, Mark 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Greg Dimovitz nominated: Jon Gabel for Vice President, Mark 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Greg Dimovitz nominated: Paul Becker for Treasurer, Holly 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Rich Bagenstose nominated: Bob Kline for Equipment Manager, Paul 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Rich Bagenstose nominated: Scott Rickert for Umpire Coordinator, Holly 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Paul motioned to adjourn. Greg 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.

The next general board meeting will be October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010.