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PO Box 114
Colchester CT 06415

June 10, 2024 - General Meeting Minutes - 7:00 PM

Attendees: Karen Belding Hazen Sturtevant Seth Breitmaier Sean Zetervall Nick Poirier
Andrew Perham Samantha Van Zilen Danielle Bossie Tim Crowell Margo Gignac Matt Parsons
Amy Pfaffenbach

Call to Order: 7:06

Minutes of Last Meeting: Provided by league secretary on website

- President's Report
 - Attended Parks & Rec Commission meeting
 - Building action plans based on consultant review of P&R programming
 - District - tournament info (to be covered later)
- Treasurer Report
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- Raffle (Amy)
 - Final tally - \$21k deposited minus expenses (a bit lower than prior years) == estimate \$15k
 - Prizes distributed - all is done except shirts to a few kids
 - Did not receive as many tickets back this year (coaches were not pressuring the teams to turn in)
 - # of full books sold seemed lower than prior years
 - Need to promote full book sales
 - Research electronic ticket sales for future years
- Storage unit project (Margo)
- Spring season
 - Movie Night - June 1st (Seth)
 - Thanks and Debrief
 - Went really well - against the carnival
 - Team effort - Seth, Hazen, Tim, Sean
 - Consider doing again in the future; license is good for 1 year: CBSL and friends movie night (end of august); open up to the town (popcorn only)
 - Sound system worked really well
 - Recommend BlueRay in the future
 - Research silent/online auction option for the future?
 - 50/50 raffles
 - MLB tickets
 - **Action:** Sam to find one company we can partner with



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- Memorial Day weekend
 - Parade - no issues (softball complained they didn't go first)
 - Consider CBSL banner for the future for the parade
 - Home run derby / all star game - both fields looked great; well organized; not a lot of down time
 - Major -
 - Minor - coaches were on the fields early to ensure the fields were good shape
- Discuss Cody Camp maintenance happenings
 - Cody camp looks great now
 - Expectations were different between the town and coaches
 - Town is challenged by the school - workers being kicked out before times that were previously agreed (fridays 8 am - 11 am....turns into must leave by 10 am)
 - Actual field conditions inhibited the ability for the town to work the field
 - Town is so short handed it complicates the matter
 - Relationship between the league (CBSL) and the town can be tarnished very quickly
 - As a league - we need to make sure we have a single point of contact with the town (funnel to a single person) - nobody else should be reaching out on behalf of the league
 - Everyone had the best of intentions
- Surveys
 - Majors pilot program: only send after the season ends
 - League wide survey?
 - Need to send within the next couple of weeks (won't sent to majors)
- Closing out - what's left?
- After season ends and survey results are in debrief on the season:
 - At the July General meeting (special invite to coaches)
 - Generally - what went well / what can be better
 - Big red bat debrief - if we can get Greg V. to come to a future meeting to discuss
- Other open discussion on season
 - Sponsor lawn signs is a big hit this year
- LL Tournament details
 - Status? -
 - Major's paperwork is all set
 - minors paperwork is all set
 - softball - unsure if they have enough players



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- Payments
 - Loaded into the website & communicated to parents
 - Most have paid
- Uniforms
 - Ordered (majors & minors)
 - Nothing ordered for softball
- Paperwork/Books
 - Minors book - might be missing a couple things (missing a school enrollment form) - one family is unwilling to provide birth certificate - family will meet at south windham
 - Majors book - all set
 - Softball ??
- Hosting
 - District meeting thursday night to find out when we're hosting (matt & mark are going)
 - Do we need to provide umps?
 - Permits for R1, R2 and 2 softball fields through July for tournament
 - Karen will release R2 and 1 softball field
- Looking ahead: Board recruiting
 - List of board positions:
 - <https://www.cbsl.org/portals/52155/docs/cbsl%20eob%20role%20descriptions.pdf>
 - Need to update any positions?
 - Forming nominating committee
 - If interested - email the board or President (EOB@cbsl.org or President@cbsl.org)
- Other topics?

2024 Meeting schedule: (moved to 2nd and 4th Mondays in most months)

General - July 8th

General - August 12th

General - September 9th

General - October 14th

General - November 4th (moved one week earlier to account for Veteran's Day)

General - December 9th

Adjourn Meeting 9:21

League Website - www.cbsl.org