

RP Cal Ripken Board Meeting Minutes

November 11th, 2024 | 6:00 pm | Mountain Mikes- Commerce

Meeting called by David Langdale- President

Board Members in Attendance David Langdale, Megan Langdale, Emily Howard, Trish Collins, Emma Schmid, Chris Schmid, Sammie Lawrence, Trey Wright, Branden Scotto, Katrina Hogerton, Karlene Bialoblocki, Tim Farris Sr. Kay O'Brien, Rachel Simpson, Vanessa Sandoval

Board Members not in Attendance Mike LeBoy, Christine Tournahu, Gina Hurley

Members of the public Vanessa Sandoval, David Felte

Time Called to Order 6:00 pm

AGENDA TOPICS

Prior Meeting Minutes: September 9th, 2024.

- Karlene motions to approve minutes as is, Megan seconds, but Trish has a couple proposed changes:
 - 9/9/24 requested changes in the player agent section- Pee Wee registration should be changed from \$115 to \$155. NorCal Cal Ripken to be changed with proper spelling.
 - 10/20/24 requested changes: Christine Tournahu to be added to members in attendance since she was voted in at the beginning of the meeting. Treasurer report: Fix total amount under field and facilities, which is \$43,086.43 confirmed by treasurer. Utilities: remove such as.
- Motion made by Megan to approve 9/9/24 minutes with above changes, 2nd made by Chris. Motion passes.
- Karlene motions to approve minutes from 10/20/24 minutes with changes above.
- Seasons meeting minutes will be posted starting with minutes from October.

Public Open Time: N/A

President's Report:

- Insurance approved through insurance claim, \$34,347.49 has been put in savings so that it is not touched until we need it. Their depreciation on 6,215.47- \$41,562.96, and less \$1000 deductible.
- New scoreboard quote doesn't include labor/installation and electricity. Additional costs to be expected.
- No update on snack shack situation at this time.
- Only suggestion from the City is to use the B pool bathroom which will not work due to various reasons.
- We may need to have a pop up with snacks and drinks to sell, but no hot food can be sold.
- Emily will not continue as Director of Sponsorships, but is willing to stay on as Secretary.

- We would like to re-evaluate separating secretary and sponsorship positions- Vanessa Sandoval reached out interested in joining the board, who is voted into Director of Sponsorships could work closely with Sammie as Events Coordinator.
- Megan makes a motion to separate the Director of Sponsorship and Secretary positions and Chris/Karlene seconds motion. Motion passes unanimously.
- Megan motion to vote/nominate, emma 2nd- unanimous motion passes. Welcome to the RPCR Board of Directors, Vanessa.
- David, Dave, Branden, Tim and Chris did a bunch of stuff at A park. Base posts, dug out, pain, etc. A park needs a home plate. Mike LeBoy ordered a new one and it should be on its way.
- We need to spend some \$ on updates- we could make some updates such as bleachers, getting a new tractor, maybe buy porta- potties.

Vice President of League Admin Report:

- The website has been updated with meetings and other events.
- Picture day needs to be rescheduled as March 1st is no longer available.
- Pictures have been rescheduled to Sunday, March 2nd.

From Old Business:

- Hit-a-thon/Pictures: Opening day and the hit-a-thon will still be held on the same day.
- Pictures will now take place the following Sunday, 3/2/25, at an indoor location (still to be determined based on photographer requirements).

Treasurer's Report:

- Sent out 3 months worth of bank statements.
- Clover is still charging a fee.
- Mystery merchant on bank statement- is website staying with wepay or did they change platforms, Trish is to find out.
- Taxes have been filed- David signed papers and everything is being submitted.
- Taxes should be filed by August and should be signed by the Treasurer & President.
- \$40,000 in the bank that needs to be spent.

Secretary's Report:

- Still waiting for DOJ access. Emily will follow up with Lisa to find out if she has heard anything.

Fields & Facilities:

- Tractor at A park not in the best of shape. Move forward with purchasing a new one. Chris to get a quote and if within budget per David there is no need to get approval from the board.
- Trey recommends covers to dugouts at A park, he will work with Chris to find potential options.

Sponsorships:

- Registered for the Holiday Lights Booth, which can be a team effort with Events Coordinator on 12/7 from 5pm-8pm at the community center. Others have expressed interest in helping at this event if needed.
- Emily will transfer all sponsorship documents, list of interested sponsors, and anything else to make this a smooth transition.
- Leftover plaques from 2024 season to be transferred to Vanessa. Thank you Katrina for getting the sponsorship plaques.

Umpires:

- Create a list of umpires and what the pay is for each umpire and provide it to Megan.
- Snack shack closer to give umpire pay- umpire pay will still be in the lockbox. Fields and facilities need to get a new box for B park.

Team Parent Coordinator-

- Photographer does not recommend oxford suites, but he does need a bigger gym with a basketball court.

Uniforms:

- Still doing research about pricing, has been in touch with ISP and will follow up with them again.

Marketing/Social Media:

- All banners are up around town in approved areas. In addition, 1 has been placed at the Penngrove fire station and on Jeff Tatman's property on the North end of Snyder Lane.
- Peach jar flyers have been distributed via email. Spanish and English both sent out.
- Team parents will be helping in the snack shack- check with Kay to find out what the team parent will be expected to do.
- There will be training for team parents.

Concessions:

Opening Shift Responsibilities(Home Team):

- Each home team is responsible for opening/ counting money at the beginning of day
- Is responsible for supplying two parents to work the shack
- Is responsible for stocking during shift
- Is responsible for cleaning during shift

Closing Shift Responsibilities (Visitor Team):

- Each visiting team will be responsible for closing/counting money at end of day
- Is responsible for double checking everything is turned off/ unplugged
- All things are locked and secured.
- Training for team parents will happen after the team parent meeting and dates are to be determined. Will happen before opening day!

Other stuff:

- Small container was cleaned out and an extra refrigerator will need to be moved and others to be dumped.
- Nacho machine is missing a part at one of the parks, Kay to look into getting a new machine or piece to fix or just buy brand new ones.
- Clover vs. Square- we need to decide what direction to go. Get the square quote from Kay. We will need 4 total square devices and 4 mobile routers, which comes with all the pieces you need for the device including the cash drawer.
- Trish makes a motion to buy the 4 square devices out right and the wifi jetpacks, which will go to field and facilities units that are compatible. Emily seconds motion, motion passes unanimously.
- Financial plan: Roughly \$4,000 will go towards concessions budget and the other \$4,000 will go towards fields and facilities.

Equipment:

- Can we utilize A1 and not use C? It is going to depend on how many teams. Maybe we do a survey to coaches who may be willing to be flexible with their schedules.
- Key for Vanessa/Sammie to access B park storage containers.
- Will purchase items voted on for coaches. Voted and passed.

Player Agent:

- Trish will research getting new championship banners.
- David to find out how many teams we need new banners for.
- 126 players have registered thus far.
- Lisa gave 2 duffle bags that we could stuff with RPCR swag and auction it off or something.

Events:

- Planning holiday lights booth.
- Sammie will reach out to Gina for help with flyers so she can have copies made for the booth.
- Would like to bring some swag.
- Sammie will need to get stuff from storage at B park. Tim to get her a key.

Member at Large

- Can we do a majors trade for returning players if there was an agreement between the coaches? Two coaches have talked and are in agreement to swap kids. Would it have to happen after the draft?
- Not a question until coaches are chosen.

Old business-

- Discount for coaches who volunteer. **Revisit**
- AA pitching machine on stand-by: **Revisit**
- New umpire resources: **Revisit**
- Friday night lights- simplify it to only Majors games- will fall under Events. 3-4 trucks for Friday night lights, Drink stand, etc. **Revisit.**
- More meetings to review open topics and to finalize things during the peak of the season. **Revisit**

Committees are as per below:

1. **Rule book-** any changes need to be run by the board- Emma (Lead), Mike, David.
2. **Bylaws & Constitution-** Emma, Megan, David. *Any changes that are proposed need to be approved as a board.*
3. **Opening Day-** Sammie, Vanessa, Rachel, Christine, Kay, Emma, David.
4. **Fundraising-** Vanessa & Sammie, Gina, Kay, Emma, David.
5. **Drafts-** David, Trish, Mike, Emma, Megan.
6. **All- Stars:** David, Trish, Mike, Kay, Christine, Emma.
7. **Awards Day/Trophies:** Sammie, Rachel, Vanessa, Kay, Christine, Megan, Emma, David.

All Star funding from the league- Do we make an account specifically for All Stars. Trish is proposing to give players \$200 per roster kid for Regionals in addition to the \$1000 for a hosting team. Teams cannot fundraise prior to regionals. As a league we can have an account designated for them from fundraised \$. Megan will need to create a sub account- League should continue to cover bags and pins as they have been. We should give each family individual checks. Verbiage will be drafted for change in bylaws and submitted to the board for approval.. Whatever \$ is not spent in that fund, then we will save it for the following year.

- Karlene makes a motion to increase \$100 to \$200 per kid. Emily seconds, motion passes.
- Karlene Make motion to continue buying the pins and bags. Sammie 2nds and motion passes unanimously.
- Emma makes a motion, Kay seconds to move \$ into the all star account for amount per player, put \$ in account each month to get up to \$20,000.
- Megan will open a sub account for All- Stars and will add \$5000 each month until \$20,000 is reached. Any \$ left over in that account will carry over to the following season.

Get coaches everything they need for the season: baseballs, line up cards, score books. Motion made by Karlene and 2nd by Katrina to get Motion passes.

Playing up in majors- only 10 year olds. Motion made as per below:

- 10 year olds may be eligible through drafts for a Majors team.
- Only one (1) 10 year old may be drafted per team in majors.
- A manager of a 10 year old player is ineligible to apply for a major manager position.
- An assistant coach of a 10 year old player is ineligible to be listed as an assistant coach prior to drafts.
- Motion passes.

Player age cut off date- Maybe to be discussed with the draft committee regarding age cut off.

Drop 3rd rule- Motion made to get rid of drop 3rd for AAA, Katrina 2nd- motion passes.

Playoffs/championship timeline: No need to vote because we will be playing games during spring break.

Icee/Soda machine: per Kay, we will not be pursuing this.

New Business:

- Late registration dates: 1/2/25-1/12/25 but may extend the date. Late Fee will be \$25, Motion and 2nd made, motion passed.
- Playing age date cut off- May 1st of season of 12 yr and younger.
- Refund cut off for players who choose not to continue season- January 26th. Motions made and passed.

Adjourn: 9:04 pm

Next Meeting: December 9th, 2024, location is TBD.