

# RP Cal Ripken Board Minutes

January 13th, 2025 | 6:00 pm | B-Side Lounge

**Meeting called by** David Langdale- President

**Board Members in Attendance** David Langdale, Megan Langdale, Emily Howard, Tim Farris Sr., Christine Tournahu  
Trish Collins, Emma Schmid, Chris Schmid, Sammie Lawrence, Trey Wright, Gina Hurley  
Vanessa Sandoval, Branden Scotto, Katrina Hogerton, Kay O'Brien, Rachel Simpson,  
Mike Leboy

**Board Members not in Attendance** Karlene Bialoblocki

**Members of the public** N/A

**Time Called to Order** 6:10pm

## AGENDA TOPICS

**Prior Meeting Minutes:** 12/9/24, motion by Megan to approve as is, 2nd Sammie- Approved

**Public Open Time:** N/A

## Executive Board

### President's Report:

- Manager update for Divisions: Still in need of a few coaches. See Player Agent section. 1 interview for Majors managers- John Hansen and Tracy Tomei. John to take Cardinals, Tracy to take Mets. Minors coach chosen: Bob Weber.
  - 5 majors teams, 4 minors teams, 6 AAA teams, 5 AA teams, 5 Single A rookies, 8 PeeWee Managers.
- Manager/ Coaches meeting (Feb. 3, 2025): Scheduled for Monday February 3rd @ Sally Tomatoes with Team Parents to get all the information out to the league. Board members are encouraged to be there at the meeting.
- Team Parent meeting (Feb. 6, 2025)- May not happen.
- Fire Marshal building inspections/ corrections & keys: Inspection done during off season
  - Inspection needed of A1- David got an unexpected call from Fire Marshal
  - Issues needing fixing: Recommendation to update every field with new fire distinguisher.
  - Needs 1 copy of each key for all the lock boxes and all the locks at A1 field.
  - Failed the fire extinguisher: Emily motions to purchase fire extinguisher, Sammie 2nds- PASSES. Put in snack shacks.
  - Executive shed- leave extension cords unplugged when not in use.
  - The Fire Marshal would like to have CO2 bottles removed at A park.
- AED updating for 2025 season: This needs to be updated- not sure who is responsible for this.
  - Katrina to ask Alyssa for contact info
  - Emily can look into the AED machine and maintenance, etc.
- 2025 Tournament host update
  - We will not be hosting a tournament this year based on the scoreboard.

- Scoreboard is not functioning properly at B park: We have funds to replace it and David has reached out to the City about what the process would be to get a new scoreboard. No response as of yet.
- Snack shack at B park- Concessions to discuss
- Assessment plan (confirm location): S park 9-5pm Saturday 1/25, Monday make up 1/27 from 4-8pm
  - Emily sends Sammie and David timeline for assessments.
  - Sammie to make stations- fungos, announcers, T stations- 5 to 6 stations, set up and clean up, check in table, check out, 2 pitching machines.
  - Sammie will make sign up genius

#### Vice President of Baseball Operations Report:

- In the process of getting inventory of what is in the containers
- Welder needs to come repair lock at top of container

#### Vice President of League Admin Report:

- Waiting for permits to be approved by City
- Updated bylaws and constitution to website
- Manager's book updates.
- Emails to coaches for items to complete prior to season starting.
- Ameriprints: Will give them a trade with top sponsorship package w/ plaque to fingerprint the entire league.
- Able to do silent auctions and we don't need a license.

#### Treasurer's Report:

- Financials sent out- no questions
- Christine is a concessions card holder
- Account opened for All Stars- savings account so no card is attached to it. Will put \$10,000 initially and can move \$ back later if we need to.
- Managers meeting to include managers and assistants plus main team parent.
- Umpire pay will go as planned.
- Megan needs a lock box and a \$ drop for a small container at B park done by opening day.
- Mike & Tim will look into startlink for wifi. Tim recommended a jet pack.

#### Secretary's Report: N/A

### Member Reports

#### Director of Umpires:

- Umpire clinic on 2/23, B park 11am, 1 hour of rule discussion. Mandatory for all umpires welcome new and experienced umpires. Board members are encouraged to come.
- Two teams will play scrimmage and run through a live game.

#### Player Agent:

- Registrations are lower at this point than we hoped for.
- 1 player dropped out.
- Expecting more registrations for PeeWee.
- Registration closed yesterday but it was opened back up since assessments are still a couple weeks out.
- Lots of people interested in fall ball: Will look at #'s a bit closer.

#### Director of Scheduling: N/A

#### Director of Equipment:

- All items ordered and are awaiting arrival.

#### Directors of Concessions:

- Square- We have gotten these. Tablets will be locked away at the end of each day so they don't get stolen. App is on all of the tablets and it is super easy to use.
- Hot cocoa machine at A1- water needs to be turned back on.
- New Cheese machine ordered.
- Opening day-power source board members will bring generators if needed.
- Wifi- Mike and Tim will work on getting this figured out.
- Dates for parent training- team parents will go on coaches meeting night.
- Team parent training- Last week of February do separate evenings for different divisions. get board members help who have opened/closed shacks. TBD

#### Director of Social Media/Marketing:

- Media post of upcoming events
- additional registration post
- assessment post
- Peewee coaches needed by 1/29- rosters to be made by 1/30.
- Baseball gear closet
- 2 field day post
- Managers meeting FYI
- Team meet and greet field day
- Taking down signs on 2/1- anyone that has yard sign, bring to February

#### Director of Fields & Facilities:

- Ordered paint
- need to figure out when to deal with home plate
- Do we need dirt? will meet up with Mike to figure it out.

#### Team Parent Coordinator:

- Picture day: Rancho Cotate on March 2nd, will figure out the time frame once teams are formed.
- Team parent meeting- team parents need to come to managers meetings.

#### Director of Uniforms:

- Inventory of what was left over from last year.
- Swag store? Order minimal amounts for youth for Opening Day and then just have a store for all the other stuff.
- ISP will do two orders, 1 initial and 1 to fix any that may need it.

#### Event Coordinator:

- Vendors booked for opening day, burritos,
- doughnuts & coffee being donated
- 1 Minors game & 2 Majors games on Opening day- 12pm & 3pm
- Hit-a- thon starting at 11am
- Yard sign- waiting to be confirmed
- Face Painting- \$300 for 2 hours
- Sunglasses & Jewelry booth- would like to book her
- Tumbler/hat booth- would like to book
- T & B sports- would love to help donating, would like to get a list together of items to be donated.
- BIP Roberts and hype man are coming and will need to book a hotel for them.
  - Make a motion for \$2000 for BIP Roberts plus Terry will announce during the games
  - Emily motions to make this happen, 2nd made by Sammie
  - 10 yes
  - 2 abstained
  - 1 opposed

#### Director of Sponsorships:

- Two teams claimed at this point
- Vanessa will call interested candidates.

### Members at Large:

- Covers for dugouts are available, when to place them?

### Old Business:

#### ***Discuss and vote on AA division pitching machine***

- Pitchers will pitch 5 pitches, if a walk occurs, the coach will give 3 balls through the pitching machine.
- Either batter gets a hit or strikes out.
- This can be for the first 4 games or the entire season?
- If a pitcher is throwing strikes, the machine will never come into play
  - Emil/Megan makes a motion to move forward with this for the entire season, if they don't want to continue after 4 then we can stop.
  - Chris 2nds motion
  - PASSES
  - 1 abstains

### New Business:

- Umpire pay: Ask Mike or Megan for details
  - Not enough umpires
  - Should we match softball because its more \$ for less time
  - Trish proposes Major & Minors \$70
  - Raise AAA to \$50
  - AA to \$40
  - Will re-evaluate after umpire clinic
  - Making motion by Trish to raise pay- Motion made, approved

Meeting adjourned: 9:10 pm

Next Meeting: February 10th

\*\*\*Effective immediately, Tim Farris Sr. is resigning from the board.

### **Amendment: January 17, 2025:**

After further review of our By-Laws, they state, under the Rules Committee:

C. Revisions or updates shall be completed by the Rules Committee, and distributed to the Board, at least one week prior to the December Board meeting.

D. Discussion of and voting on changes to the Local Rules and Manager's Handbook shall occur at the December meeting.

The stated By-Law directly affects the Motion and Vote, from our January 13, 2025 Board Meeting. Motion made: "To incorporate a pitching machine within our AA Division to be used after 5 player pitches and a walk occurs."

As the President of Rohnert Park Cal Ripken/ Babe Ruth Baseball, the use of a pitching machine being incorporated within our AA Division, is Nullified.