

MEETING MINUTES – July 31, 2011
EPHRATA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

The regular meeting of the Ephrata Baseball Association was held at the Ephrata Baseball Academy, 300 Chestnut Street, Ephrata, Pennsylvania on Sunday, July 31, 2011. EBA President Sean Molchany called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

In attendance were Dave Albright, Nicole Wagner, Tracy Rebeck, Deanna Cilentro, Kristin Haws, Mike McGillan, Sean Molchany, Mike Molchany, Kendra Steffy, Chris Brown, Ted Simes, Randy Mull, and Teresa Beaver.

1. **Minutes** – Minutes from the March 17, 2011 and June 26, 2011 meetings were distributed for review. President Sean Molchany will ask for approval of these minutes at the next meeting in September 2011.
2. **Treasurer's Report** – Copies of the budget were distributed. Treasurer Tracey Rebeck reported that money from Fall Ball Registration is coming in; the money from Spring Photos was received. Funds for umpires and field prep were dispersed. Budget is such that Mike Molchany can purchase 30 equipment bags and additional baseball tees. Tracey will contact Rod Snyder for the money from concessions at the Championship game.
3. **Fall Ball** - Two teams for 7-9 yr olds (coaches pitch) were formed. There are three Minors teams, one Majors team, one 12U team and registration for 14U is up to 17. Kristin Haws will distribute the lists of players to coaches.
4. **Equipment** – July 24 was scheduled for returns. Triple A and Double A have been returned. Single A has not been returned yet. Single A director will be contacted to make arrangements to collect the equipment bags. There are 6 bags missing. The bags have to be emptied, sorted and replenished for the Fall Ball season.
5. **Committee Reports** - *NPBA, Dave Albright* – EBA has an agreement with the War Memorial Association for the lights at the War Memorial Field. Dave recommends sending a check for \$250 as a donation for use of the lights.
Sponsorships, Sean Molchany – could have done better – get started early to get sponsors.
Website – Dave Albright and Kristin Haws will meet with Janys after August 15 to discuss keeping the website up to date with the most current information.
Umpires – Kevin Hoshour is willing to work this year and next year. After that, a new director for the umpires as well as new umpires will be needed. EBA pays \$25 per game per umpire. Get the word out that EBA is looking for umpires.
6. **Field Repairs/Upgrades** – EBA would like to purchase metal boxes for Wolf Field, Irene Avenue Field and Fulton Street Field and position them behind the backstops, so spectators' view is not impaired.
Discussion about lighting for the Clay Fields followed. Kendra Steffy offered to ask Clay Township to put together a package for installing lights at the fields.
7. **Reorganization** - EBA must organize by November 1st. Little League must organize the 3rd Thursday in November. Before open positions were discussed, Mike Molchany voiced his opinion regarding the backstabbing within the group. He made it clear that this sophomoric behavior must stop.

President position and Safety Officer position are currently open. Deanna Cilentro suggested creating a checklist for new directors and volunteers to help the newcomers to learn their duties. Sean said he would send out an email with all the board positions and their respective duties.

8. **Other Business**

Sean reported that the 12U team traveling to Aberdeen in October for a Tournament at the Ripkin facility would like to hold a fund raising car wash at Advanced Auto Parts, and asked for the approval of the Board. Mike Molchany said he had no objections and the consensus of the board was to proceed. Nicole Wagner reported that she was contacted by a Vermont Company that produces Wheaties Cereal Boxes with a local player's photo on them. The board thought it was a unique idea and asked if the company's web link could be included on the EBA registration page.

Kristin Haws requested names for the Little League Volunteer Awards. After some discussion the following were offered:

Team Mom: *Tracy Hull*

Good Sport of the Year: *Zack Henley*

Volunteer: *John Sensenig*

Umpire: *Kevin Hoshour*

9. **Adjournment**

The *motion* by Kristin Haws, seconded by Mike Molchany was approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Beever, secretary