

**MEETING MINUTES – September 22, 2011**  
EPHRATA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

The Ephrata Baseball Association met at the Ephrata Baseball Academy, 300 Chestnut Street, Ephrata, Pennsylvania on Thursday, September 22, 2011. EBA President Sean Molchany called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

In attendance were Sean Molchany, Rod Snyder, Kristin Haws, Dave Albright, Dave Fassnacht, Mike Molchany, Mike McGillan, Chris Brown, Kevin Hoshour, and Teresa Beaver.

1. **Minutes** – Copies of minutes from the July 31, 2011 minutes were distributed for review. The *motion* by Dave Albright, seconded by Kristin Haws was approved unanimously to accept the minutes as presented. Copies of the minutes will be emailed to both Dave Albright and Janys (website coordinator) to be added to the website. Dave Albright has been working with Janys to learn how to edit the website and keep it current.
2. **Treasurer's Report** –Treasurer Tracy Rebeck emailed copies of the budget to everyone earlier in the week since she was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Because Rod Snyder has been asked by some parents of players what their registration fee actually pays for, he asked for clarification regarding income and expenses on the report; specifically the expenses relating to the high school. Members of the board explained how the high school booster club and the EBA merged two years ago; therefore these expenses are included on the budget. It was explained that uniforms, equipment, umpires, field maintenance and insurances are some of the expenses that are paid with each player's registration fee. Dave Albright suggested reactivating a link on the website to financial information. The board unanimously agreed.
3. **Fall Ball** – the season is underway. There was some discussion about the need for instruction for the coaches. Mike Molchany reminded the board that he had mentioned his willingness to step in and help out the young coaches, but was not contacted to do so. Umpire Kevin Hoshour reported that he called a blow-out game with Cocalico due to the danger of the players getting hurt.
4. **Little League Report**  
Kristin was not able to attend the LL meeting; therefore Sean attended in her stead. He reported that next year, there won't be very many AAA players and Cocalico Little League is in the same predicament. Sean and the Cocalico LL representative discussed forming an in-house inter-league. Cocalico is amenable to the idea; they will continue discussions to work out details.
5. **Reorganization**  
The positions of EBA President, Equipment manager, Directors for Rookie, Single A, Double A and Triple A are needed for the up-coming year. Rod Snyder expressed interest in the president's position but said he would need a bit of guidance and direction so he would know what is expected of him. Sean will email a list of the open positions to everyone before the next meeting.
6. **NPBA**  
Dave Albright asked if the \$250 donation for use of the lights at the War Memorial Field was sent to the War Memorial Association. Kristin said she believes it has not been sent and would send Tracy an email reminding her to issue the check.

**7. Equipment**

There are still four equipment bags from Single A teams that are missing. Ted Simes, the director of Single A will be contacted to get this equipment back into inventory. The board discussed the amount of money available to replace old and damaged equipment. The *motion* by Dave Albright, seconded by Dave Fassnacht was approved unanimously to authorize up to \$4,000 for purchase of team equipment. Among the items needed are game balls, catchers' mitts and gear and helmets. Sean asked for 15 newer helmets to be set aside for LL tournament play. Equipment used in Little League Tournaments is closely scrutinized for cracks and wear and many of the helmets that are currently in inventory are in poor condition.

**8. Online Registration**

Forms need to be updated for 2012. Registration for Spring 2012 will open on December 1, 2011. A few items need to be tweaked, but overall, the registration process ran smoothly for Fall Ball. There will be a link to NPBA for 13U and older registrants. Cost of registration will increase by \$5.00 for 12U and under and by \$10.00 for players older than 12. The family maximum was not determined. Along with online registration, there will be an on site registration date set as well as an evaluation date.

**9. Other Business**

Sean reported that the 12U team traveling to Aberdeen in October for a Tournament at the Ripkin facility will be holding a sub sale to raise some additional funds which could possibly be used to purchase equipment bags.

Kristin has been in contact with a volunteer who is willing to sell "Ephrata Baseball" apparel. Mike Molchany offered to speak with the volunteer and make some suggestions about putting together a selection of items to sell. Kristin will provide Mike with contact information.

**10. Adjournment**

The *motion* by Mike McGillan, seconded by Chris Brown was approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teresa Beever, secretary