

Minutes of the Jan. 7, 2007 regular LHYA meeting

The LHYA meeting of 1/7/07 was called to order @ 7:05 by President Jim Wilson with four officers, three trustees and four members present.

Minutes of the 12/4/06 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Tracy DiPaolo and 2nd by Keith Phillips. The minutes were approved.

The treasurer's report was presented with \$5,552.27 in the checking account, \$4,529.35 in the CD and \$27,929.24 in the savings/building fund. Motion to approve the report was made by Tracy DiPaolo and 2nd by Dan Knight. The report was approved.

Old Business

Field maintenance 2007 – Richard Wand provided pricing information for some field improvements. Replace pitching rubber at Leads big \$50, replace (base) plugs at all fields \$20 per set, replace base anchors screw in anchors \$120 per field, portable mounds \$565 - \$3,000, aluminum 15 foot bench \$340, aluminum 21 foot bench \$480 (LHYA could build wooden benches for \$75). Urgent items are bases, pins, plugs and benches at the new fields. Richard Wand made a motion to spend \$1,500 to purchase those items it was 2nd by Tracy DiPaolo. Motion passed. LHYA will need to purchase a pitching machine for the coach pitch age girls. All other leagues contacted use pitching machines for that age group. Richard Wand will look into the cost of a machine.

Softball – Richard Wand and Marcy Green met with the Gahanna softball organization in December. Gahanna currently is a self-contained league and teams play each other 3 – 4 times in the season. They play a 12 game season. If we decide to play with Gahanna their coaches requested that games between Gahanna and LHYA be scheduled on weekends if possible. Gahanna asked that we consider raising our fees to match theirs. They were concerned that they might lose players to LHYA due to our lower fees. The general discussion was not in favor of this. All concessions, uniforms and fees would remain separate. There are open questions around umpires and trophies. Gahanna offered to schedule games against our older boys teams. A motion to meet with Gahanna to iron out details was made by Carol Wander and 2nd by Tracy DiPaolo. Marcy Green volunteered to be the director of softball again this year.

Season dates – Richard Wand provided a final copy of the 2007 application. It will be distributed in the schools in January.

New Business

Taxes – Richard Wand reported that organizations with more than \$25,000 in income are required to file IRS form 990. LHYA meets the income requirement but has not filed with the IRS. Richard is in touch with a corporate attorney and CPA. He is looking into having the CPA file the 2004 – 2006 forms for a reduced fee. Other options are to call the IRS advocacy line for information, abandon the LHYA name and start a new league. There is no personal liability related to the failure to file. Richard asked that anyone who knows local CPAs or Attorneys who might be willing to help to contact him.

Other – Danny Knight brought up the boys AA pre-season tournament. Richard Wand indicated he would be looking for commissioners for softball and baseball for each age level. Chuck Seeright asked for volunteers to sell tickets at the LH Wrestling Invitational Jan12 & 13, LHYA has done this for the past several years. Rich Scott suggested we start scheduling gym time. The Licking Heights school board will be having meetings to discuss cost cutting measures, which may affect our use of the gyms. Kathy Wilson will be added to the Sams club membership.

The next meeting will be 2/4/07 @ 7:00.

Motion to adjourn was made by Rich Scott and 2nd by Knight. Meeting was adjourned @ 8:25.