



Gull Lake Little League, PO Box 310, Richland, MI 49083

GLLL Board Meeting – 12/8/24

Opening of Meeting: 6:31 p.m.

1. Roll Call/Attendance: Becky Murphy, Sarah McCray, Greg Feathers, Matt Morgan, Julie Terpening, Luke Reames, Jenni Pant, Mary Beckman, Matt Zerilli, and Lance McCray
2. Approval Of Meeting Meetings: Deferred – will approve November 2024 minutes via email
3. Board Member Updates:
 - a. President (Becky Murphy) –
 - i. November 2024 District Board Meeting
 1. Siblings automatically brought into same league (example, older sibling would be able to play for GLLL if had a younger sibling who is eligible) – this will be tracked by the league
 2. All things through LL international completed
 - a. Charter and insurance
 - b. League constitution and bylaws will be reviewed/signed off then uploaded
 - c. End of session
 - ii. Little League Awareness Course Status
 1. Remind to complete an email confirmation (either confirmation e-mail or screenshot) to GLLL email
 - iii. Facility and Evaluations
 1. Scheduled at Sherman Lake Y on 2/2/25 and 2/15/25 – 8 AM to 3 PM are available hours on Sundays
 - a. Will plan to combine softball and have machine pitch boys last
 - b. Would like more than one person from the board present if possible
 - c. Will put dates on the website with times slots pending for the groups
 - d. Will need a waiver for anyone > 18 years old who is helping/volunteering
 - e. Parents are not present – coaches, board members, and players only)
 2. Any player that wants to go up or down still has to attend both evaluations
 - iv. Registration
 1. Early registration open through 12/31/24
 - a. So far 25 players registered; none for softball
 2. Will be sending out in Peachjar and working on flyers to put out in the community

3. Identified some families overcharged during registration process and did not receive multiplayer discount – Luke able to correct issue moving forward and will work with the families impacted
 - v. Fields
 1. Only have field 9 on Fridays (in the contract) – will discuss with township adding during the week
 - vi. Pictures
 1. Alan confirmed middle school can be used for pictures
 2. Will have three dates – more to come
 3. Will plan to block off some earlier slots for the younger players/teams
 - vii. Uniforms
 1. David has quotes from Art Wears and Midlakes in Delton – waiting on a couple of other quotes
 2. Suggested to not get visors for softball but continue to get the socks; different hats for the younger players
 - viii. Website
 1. Registration information on website
 - ix. Gull Lake Baseball Sponsorship
 1. \$500 for four years – do we have the budget with increased expense on uniforms?
 2. Spoke to GL athletic director and currently softball not doing a sponsorship
 3. If sponsor, baseball would need to be more involved with the league
 - x. Umpires
 1. Need more
 2. Will advertise pay to attempt to get more response – are we comparable in pay for other leagues?
 3. Will post on Facebook and put up flyers – high school level (baseball, softball)
 4. Discussed to consider if a parent arguing with umpire then require parent to umpire in order to come back like Schoolcraft does
- b. VP Baseball (Open) – Vacant
 - c. VP Softball (Sarah McCray) –
 - i. Wants to offer clinics for softball (Sarah will run) – pitching/catching
 1. Start running every Sunday in April
 2. Sarah will make the flyer and will need to do signups for the clinics
 - d. VP Coach Pitch/T-ball (Greg Feathers) – No updates
 - e. Player Agent - Baseball/Softball/T-Ball (Geneva Blocker) – Not present
 - f. Treasurer (Matt Morgan)
 - i. Becky does not have debit card yet – Matt will check on it this upcoming week
 - ii. Receipts from Kelly still needed (Sarah has them)
 - iii. Work with CPA to file tax return

- g. Scheduler (Joe Pant) – Not present
 - i. Luke to work with Joe to get schedule done in Sports Connect
 - h. Safety Officer (Julia Terpening) – Background Checks
 - i. Background checks sent out
 - i. WebMaster/Information Officer (Luke Reames) –
 - i. Issue corrected with multiplayer discount and will work with families who were overcharged
 - j. Sponsorship/Uniforms (David Blocker) – Not present (refer to discussion above)
 - k. Fundraising Coordinator (Jenni Pant) –
 - i. Dine to Donate starting in January 2025 (Panera)
 - 1. Have Kazoopy's and PureMex also willing to participate
 - a. PureMex requested physical flyers and Mon-Thurs only
 - 2. Culver's said no but might be able to do coupons
 - 3. Waiting to hear back from Ned's
 - ii. Waiting to hear back from Kalamazoo Growlers
 - iii. Food trucks at Opening Day – league get percentage of sales
 - iv. Check with Frosty Boy and Culver's about ice cream/coupons for players
 - v. Raffle license – three more things needed
 - l. Secretary (Mary Beckman) – No updates
 - m. Equipment Manager (Matt Zerilli)
 - i. Got access to storage unit
 - ii. Stack of tee ball/coach pitch manuals found (normally in binder printed off but did not get included last year)
 - iii. Field 4 does not have a sign and will need put back up
 - iv. Matt Z. will get with Dan for list of inventory needs
 - v. Golf cart still in storage unit and will just leave it there
 - vi. Radios in Matt Z's basement
 - vii. Approved last meeting to change code yearly (code is the same for the concession stand)
 - n. Umpire In Chief (Lance McCray) –
 - i. Presently Lance the only umpire
4. Old Business: No updates
5. New Business/Items to be discussed during next meeting
6. Open Forum:
- a. Next meeting – Sunday, December 12, 2025 at 6:30 pm at Jaspare's
 - b. February meeting will be moved to the 16th

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm. Sarah motioned to adjourn, Jenni seconded, board approved.

Minutes taken by: Mary Beckman