

ESLL BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 10, 2009

A meeting of the Board of Directors of East Sacramento Little League was held at The Corner Restaurant, Sacramento, California beginning at 7:00 p.m. PDT on November 10, 2009 with the following members present:

Mark Whitney	Bill Layne
Mike Adams	Robert Lemke
Dawn Billeci	Nancy Mathai
Richard Dana	Will McMullen
Mike Daponde	Rick Osen
Heather Diaz	Joel Schwartz
Anne Heller	Shannon Quiroz
Eric Holst	

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mark Whitney noted that the Board still has a vacancy at the Secretary position. Discussion of possible Board candidates followed. Mr. Whitney asked that the Board members help identify potential candidates to be considered at upcoming meetings. With the vacancy of the Secretary position, Mark Whitney took minutes of the meeting.

Upon motion made and seconded, the minutes from the October 13, 2009 meeting were approved.

Mark Whitney discussed the tentative dates for upcoming registration, Board meetings and other matters. Ms. Mathai reminded the Board that dates need to be determined for (i) Team Parent Meeting, (ii) Safety Meeting, and (iii) the Hit-a-thon.

The Board next discussed the logistics for identifying manager candidates and choosing managers. Each of the player agents briefly discussed the status of identifying candidates. Mr. Whitney agreed to email the player agents the names of the managers and coaches from last season.

The Board next discussed the appointment of the Managers Selection Committee. After discussion, upon motion made and seconded,

(i) Ms. Diaz and Ms. Billeci were selected to the Managers Selection Committee, and (ii) the Board delegated to Ms. Diaz and Ms. Billeci the authority to choose up to three additional parent volunteers to join the Managers Selection Committee.

The Board next discussed the softball draft procedures. Mr. Whitney and Ms. Quiroz summarized what procedures have been used in prior years. After discussion, it was agreed that the softball draft should follow the procedures used for baseball. It was agreed that the goal of the draft was to create fair competition among the ESLL teams. Mr. Whitney was asked to review the bylaws for any needed changes to make it clear that softball draft procedures should be similar to baseball draft procedures. Ms. Quiroz agreed to discuss such matters further with potential softball manager candidates.

Mr. Lemke next reported that early registration was ongoing and that he was prepared for in person registration set for November 21<sup>st</sup> and December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. McMullen gave a brief report regarding equipment. He noted that Compton's Market was expected to be sold and that the league may need to find a new location for storing equipment during the offseason. Mr. McMullen would be talking to the new owners to see if he could work out an arrangement whereby the league could continue to store equipment at the store. Additional possible storage sites would also be identified.

Mr. Mathai presented her report on the Snack Bar, noting that it was her desire that a concrete pad and some security fencing be installed to secure the gas barbeque. It was agreed that this improvement should be further pursued.

Ms. Heller next provided a report on Treasury matters. She handed out preliminary income statement for the year ended October 31, 2009 and noted that cash on hand at fiscal year end was approximately \$15K. After responding to questions, Ms. Heller was provided with input from various Board members so she could develop the 2010 preliminary budget, which the Board will discuss at its December 2009 meeting.

Ms. Mathai next led a discussion regarding the “give-away” for the Hit-a-thon”. After discussion, it was agreed that Ms. Mathai would further explore a zipped navy blue hoodie-style sweatshirt with the ESLL logo.

Mr. Whitney next summarized discussions that occurred at the latest District 7 meeting. He noted that the District was asking all leagues to update their Constitutions. Mr. Whitney suggested that ESLL follow the model constitution found in the Little League Operating Manual as it has done in the past. After discussion, upon motion made and seconded, the Board approved using the model constitution as the format for the new constitution and that the constitution to be proposed for approval by the league’s Regular Members would include the lowest threshold for a quorum.

Mr. Whitney then led a discussion regarding the definition of “Regular Member” as discussed in the model constitution, noting that Regular Members have the right to participate in the governance of the league by virtue of voting for Board members etc. Discussion regarding whether dues should be assessed for Regular Members followed. After discussion, it was agreed that after registration is completed for the 2010 season, an email would be sent to parents asking if they want to be considered Regular Members and that if they did, they would have to affirmatively respond to the email and they would be required to vote at the annual meetings going forward.

Next, Mr. Whitney proposed that the Board approve the addition of the District Administrator, Craig Johnson, as a Regular Member of ESLL. Upon motion made and seconded, Mr. Johnson was elected as a Regular Member of ESLL.

Finally, Mr. Whitney collected the volunteer forms from the members of the Board that had them, reminding those members that did not, that he needed completed forms soon. At 9:05 p.m., there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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Mark Whitney, Acting Secretary