

# SLJL Meeting Minutes – September 12, 2018

- **Attending**

Laura Hoffman, Randy Hoffman, Ralph Dunigan, Deb Gaudreau, Grace Hoffman, Guido McLaren, Ken Elkins, Walt Novak, Chris Bandy, Otis Kirkland, Lance Shipman, Dan Young, Mike Burke, Dean Whitcomb, Mike Zuehilke, Julie Daraban, George Daraban

- **New Business**

Meeting minutes of August 29 were accepted.

**Next Board Meeting Wednesday September 19 at 7:00 pm at Java House.**

Chevy Youth Baseball has donated 20 tickets to see the Tigers on Sept. 21. Tickets to be spread amongst the Girl's and Boys ball players and coaches. They will get an opportunity to go on the field and get their pictures taken before the game.

- **Treasurer**

SLJL Fields Fund	\$38,309.91	N/C
SLJL Checking	\$116,709.22	-\$400.00 Grass Cutting
		-\$299.00 Umpire Pay
		-\$80.00 Field Prep
		-\$62.94 Java House
		-\$45.00 Car Wash Ad
		+\$3,497.50 Blue Sombrero
		-\$380.01 Scholarship
Boy's Travel	\$24,393.31	-\$3,033.84
Girl's Travel	\$11,708.42	+\$1,679.76
Pay Pal Credit Card	\$6,863.42	+\$242.16

Need to move \$26,900.00 for 1,076 Registrations x \$25.00 for Spring 2018 from Checking to Field Fund.

All expenditures for SLJL for 2018 must be in by November 30, 2018.

Besides raising Registration Fees for 2019 Spring we will need to investigate an Opt Out/ Opt In Fee for recruitment of volunteers. The

SLJL is too large to rely on the same handful of people every year. If the charge was \$20.00/player, then we could hire more people to work field issues. Further discussion on this topic following Fall Season.

- **Website/Registration**

**See attached spreadsheet for Final Registration Numbers for Fall Season (595).**

Remind coaches that have not turned in Spring Season Equipment to get their equipment cleaned and turn into Vanessa.

Now that Fall teams are set, advertise hoodies for parents to match their children's hoodie.

- **Fields/Equipment**

Contact Deb with any field needs ASAP, our maintenance crews are on fields four days a week, any problem should be able to be fixed within 48 hours or less.

All parents need to be reminded of school rules:

1. No Smoking at Fields
2. Park only where permitted
3. No Pets
4. Pick up Trash after each game, trash bags are in field boxes. Someone take home trash in bag and put in your trash can. Not a hard thing to do.
5. Please take care of these items as parents and not require coaches to do all of this. They after all are working with your children to play Baseball and Softball. Least you can do is help them out.

Need to have the ability to lock all High School Fields in Fall.

Need dirt for Volunteer Fields for Fall Season.

Once games are cancelled due to weather NO activity including practices are allowed on fields the rest of the day.

Vanessa to distribute game balls and scorebooks to Trustees to be handed out to their respective coaches.

Deb, Ralph, and Walt to establish Field Budget for Fall 2018.

Can remove Porta Johns at Old Atchison, Salem, and Bartlett for Fall Season.

Utility Box at McHattie has broken Strut on Lid, Dean to order new Strut. Someone will repair once new strut comes in.

Bill Heidt Head Coach of SLHS Boy's Baseball Program visited and asked for help in building batting cages at Boys' Varsity Fields and Girls' Varsity Fields. 2 at Boys and 1 Dual at Girls.

He has \$4,000 and is asking SLJL to participate. All SLJL teams will have use of these cages following the Varsity season's for both Boys and Girls programs.

SLHS Athletic Department will contribute \$6,400.00 to batting cages. Balance will fall within SLJL Board approved sum of \$10,000.00.

Bill reported that total cost of these cages will be between \$20,034 and \$18,084. Guido is investigating on getting Sand Slag at a cheaper price for Bill and Lance is seeing if he can get cages at lower price also.

Deb made motion for donation not to exceed \$10,000. Motion was seconded.

- **Atchison Park**

SLJL and Lyon Twp have spent \$177,251.40 so far leaving \$7,718.60 left in budget to pay for finishing touches on 2 new fields. Additions for 2 new fields at Atchison Park, need to utilize the \$7,718.60 left over in Atchison Park Field Budget before any new money is used in SLJL Field Budget. Mike Burke looking at Bridge construction.

Needs for Atchison New Fields: Bridge over ditch. Please keep all field tools in box in middle of diamonds. Keep all umpire needs, TP, First Aid, Umpire Equipment and Trash Bags in box near restrooms.

Suggestion to consider Pavilion Roof full length of land between both fields at Atchison.

Dean suggested idea of naming new fields at Atchison "First Responders Field #1 & #2. SLJL Board to evaluate and possibly approach Lyon Twp Board.

Dedication of Atchison Fields will be probably in Fall.

- **Scheduling**

Any changes to schedules must be done thru Ken with attached emails to Dean, Rich, Sean, and Bryan. This is to avoid confusion with any Travel or Rec Leagues schedules.

No scheduled games for Pumpkin Fest, games will be blacked out Friday and Saturday.

- **Travel**

Mrs. Wells (Josh's Wife) has volunteered to become Boys Travel Treasurer. She must attend SLJL Board Meeting to be approved and voted in.

Dean will send statement concerning funds for U11 Team. This will be sent to parents of each boy on that teams' roster. Board has reviewed email and provided Dean approval to send out.

Girl's Travel Treasurer has requested meeting with Girl's Travel Trustee and Coaches to discuss Payment Procedure.

Dean was voted in as Interim Boy's Travel Trustee in lieu of Rich Robinson leaving SLJL Boy's Travel Trustee position. Dean is beginning search for new Boy's Travel Trustee.

All Travel rosters should be with respective trustee. Please forward to SLJL President. Dean has them and will be providing them to Ralph for review.

55 Boys and 19 Girls have registered with their \$50 Participation Fee, and all information that is needed to verify home location to keep us within school's requirements. **All Travel Players must be registered no later than September 15, 2018.**

- **All Star**

Rule change for 2019 will be; **There will be a 2 Hour HARD STOP for all Games if 7 innings have not been completed.**

Need for more volunteers for set up and tear down of All Star Weekend in 2019.

Work with Hot Shots to be more involved taking pictures during games. Parents really like the action photos.

Flag off row of parking spots for handicap parking.

Coaches need to present starting lineups for announcers and other coaches they are playing against.

All Star Hats are for the Boy's playing in the games and not others.

Consider returning MEVO Cameras since they were difficult to work with and not worth the price paid.

Consider starting games on Saturday at 2:00 pm for 2019 All Star Weekend.

- **Umpires**

Duane will officially step down as Umpire Chief after 2018 Spring Season. Duane introduced Chris Seubert as candidate to replace Duane as Boy's Umpire Chief.

Make umpires for Fall aware of cold weather gear available on SLJL Store.

- **Dick's Day**

Consider having Dick's Day 2019 the Saturday prior to NCAA Basketball Tournament.

- **Division**

All uniforms have been ordered. Will probably not be ready until 2<sup>nd</sup> week of season. Hoodies for kids will be ready week of September 17, along with a few backordered uniforms.

Coaches do not receive hoodies, if they want one they need to go online and order on SLJL Store.

- **SLJL Calendar**

**Sept 19** - Board Meeting **7:00pm** Java House

**Sept 26** - No Meeting

**Oct 3** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House **(Trophy P-Up)**

**Oct 10** - No Meeting

**Oct 16** – Fall Season to end if no games have been cancelled

**Oct 17** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House

**Oct 24** - No Meeting

**Oct 31** – Fall Season Ends, Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House

**Nov 7** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House **(Elect 2019 Board)**

**Nov 14** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House **(Start sending all rule  
Changes or additions to Secretary for 2019)**

**Nov 21** – No Meeting Thanksgiving Week

**Nov 28** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House **(Discuss 2019 Rules)**

**Dec 5** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House **(Discuss 2019 Rules)**

**Dec 12** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House **(Discuss 2019 Rules)**

**Dec 19** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House

**Dec 26** – No Meeting Christmas Week

**Jan 2** – No Meeting New Year's Week

**Jan 9** - Board Meeting **7:00 pm** Java House