

Minutes from 4/5, 6/7 and 8/9 Coaches Meeting
 April 12, 2015

Meeting for 4/5 called to order at 5:10 and closed as 7:07 PM

1. Roll Call (by Team)

Organization	Coach or Representative	Present/Fine
East Division		
Saucon Valley	Joe Trudniak Corrected phone is 610-390-8946	Present
Palisades North	Jill Amato	Present
Palisades South	Chris Butler	Present
Palmer Lightning	Tom Gutekunst 484-542-7722	Present
Williams Wildcats	Anthony Errico 973-202-6310	Present
BT Fireworks	Bill Schankel	Present
South Division		
Northeast	Josh Halclerode	Present
Wilson Wildcatz	Steve Weber	Present
St. Jane Hawks	Joyann Smith	Present
BT Cyclones	Ross Griffith	Present
BT Thunderbirds	Rich Philippi	Present
Palmer Flames	Marc Crisafulli	Present
Easton Red Hawks	Victor Pimentel	Present
North Division		
Forks Lightning	Jason Alley	Present
Pen Argyl Comets	Tonia Oakes	Present
UMBT Stealers	Denise Edwards	Present
UMBT Strikers	Jose Gonzales 610-751-3763	Present
Wind Gap Gators	Kevin Black	Present
LN Blue Flames	Jeremy Shuler	Present
West Division		
Forks Phantoms	Jason Singley	Present
LN Firecrackers	Rod Wilson	Present
UMBT Stars (Wildcats)	Kimberly Sonntag/ representative	Present
Folks Flames	Marc Green	Present
Palmer Thunder	Rick Hasonich	Present

Currently No fines: 100% attendance
 25 Teams

2. Old Business
 - a. None
3. Treasure Report
 - a. As of tonight before the meeting with multiple organization providing check
 - i. Jr/Sr Level balance is \$2785.89
 - ii. K/1 through 6/7 balance is \$11274.43
 - iii. Organizations or teams still owning ELVSL money, please send to Denise Grube at 904 Greenhill Avenue, Easton PA 18045
4. Insurance Certificates
 - a. As of tonight's meeting at 100%. Thank you for the timely support.
5. Notes for Instructional 2/3 and K/1 coaches meeting
 - a. Gary will e-mail coordinators as the meeting will either be April 20th or 21st.
6. Coaches Handbooks, Rule books, and Scorebooks were handed out.
 - a. Minor changes to typo captured above.
 - b. League will attempt to update and post to website, but keep your copy to ensure you have all phone number updates.
7. Review of Material
 - a. Directions and Schedules.
 - b. Game Procedures (Weather/non-weather)
 - i. Gary reviewed one page document on game procedures covering game cancellations due to bad weather, other reasons for game cancellations, general information on Zebra.web, notifying umpire, statistician and when to engage Jon Adams. Full page document is attached as PDF below.
 - ii. Noted games needed to be made up within the week, where typically Sunday evening is the best date to play.
 - c. Score Reporting
 - i. If scores not reported within 24 hours of completion of game, coach will be fined \$5.00
 - ii. Recommend that scores and inning pitched by each pitcher (last name) be reported before midnight. Once we have 3-4 games under the season, Gary will update standing the next morning.
 - d. Zebraweb / Umpires
 - i. You will get your temporary password a few days before your first game. If you have not heard from Jon Adams 48 hrs before game, e-mail Jon with your e-mail address and phone number to ensure he has your correct information.
 - ii. If canceling game due to weather, you must call the opposing coach. Do not use e-mail. If you get voice mail, leave a message, but follow-up. Expectation is the coaches talk live to avoid a team showing up when a game is not going to be played.
 - iii. Canceling a game less than an hour before the game and the umpire is in route, you will owe a show up fee of \$22.00
 - iv. If game started and canceled due to weather (not a complete game), umpire only gets show-up fee. Upon continuation of the

game, umpire gets show-up fee of \$22 plus \$7 per inning to a maximum of \$45.00 So if the umpire does 3 innings, he get \$43 (\$22 +\$21). If the umpire does four inning or more, \$45. Maximum.

e. Rules Review

- i. Highlighted the major change with requiring getting the ball to the bag to stop play rather just in the possession with an infielder in the infield. The circle helps as well to stop play. A pitcher can elect to make the ball live by throwing the ball back out of the circle. Throws by the catch back to the pitcher to reset play that go out of the circle do not make the ball live.
- ii. Base Running Update Details:
 1. A play concludes when a play has been made at, near, or in the vicinity of a bag and the ball is in the possession of an infielder.
 2. At the conclusion of the play, apply the 2/3rds runner rules:
 - a. If at conclusion of the play the runner is at least two-thirds (2/3's) of the way to the next base:
 - i. If a play is made on the runner and is put out, she is out.
 - ii. If no play is made on the runner and the runner is safe, she is entitled to the base.
 - iii. All preceding runners are allowed to proceed to the base they were attempting to achieve as well.
 - b. If at conclusion of the play the runner is NOT at least two-thirds (2/3's) of the way to the next base:
 - i. If a play is made on the runner and is put out, she is out.
 - ii. If a play is made on the runner and she is safe, she must return to the preceding base. All other runners will return to their preceding bases as well.
 - iii. If no play is made on the runner she is to be returned to the preceding bases. All other runners must return to their preceding bases.
 - c. Overthrows: balls hit to the outfield
 - i. Infielder throws to a bag
 1. Play reaches conclusion, apply 2/3rd rule.
 2. Ex: LF throws to SS who attempt to throw to 2B bag, but overthrows the bag.
 3. If at the time of the throw to the bag, the runner is at least 2/3rds of the way to the bag she may continue to 2B, but may go no further.

4. If at the time of the throw to the bag, the runner is NOT at least 2/3rd of the way to the bag, she must return to 1B.
 - ii. Outfielder throws directly to a bag, but overthrows the base.
 1. Runner can advance, at their own peril, to the bag the ball was overthrown to, and no further. 2/3 rule does not apply.
 2. Ex: LF throws to 2B bag, but overthrows the bag.
 3. Runner (who hit the ball) can advance to 2B and no further, even if an additional play is made on the runner, which results in a second overthrow.
 4. If the additional play results in the runner being put out, the runner is out.
 - d. Pitcher's Circle
 - i. If the ball is returned directly to the pitcher without a play being made at, near, or in the vicinity of a bag, the ball is live so long as the lead runner is continuing to move.
 - ii. Once the lead runner has stopped or hesitates and the ball is in the circle, any trailing runner who is less than 2/3 of the way to the next bag must return to their base.
 - iii. If the pitcher has the ball in the circle and elects to make a play on a runner:
 1. at most the furthest all runners can advance is to their next available base.
 2. the 2/3 rules apply at the time the pitcher makes the throw.
 - iv. If an infielder has possession of the ball and no advancement is taking place, play is dead.
 - v. If a fielder overthrows the ball when attempting to return the ball to the pitcher, and the ball leaves the circle.
 1. The ball is once again live.
 2. All runners may advance, at their own risk, a maximum of one base.
 3. If the ball does not leave the circle, play remains dead.
 4. This does not apply to the catcher returning the ball to the pitcher on a non-batted ball.

- a. If your team or organization would like to volunteer, please send Gary an e-mail.
- 9. Adjournment
 - a. Next Meeting : May 17th
 - i. 2nd/3rd graders : 5 PM
 - ii. 6th/7th graders : 6 PM
 - iii. 4th/5th graders : 7 PM
 - iv. 8th/9th graders : 8 PM
- 10. Game Procedures
 - a. Appendix Document



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b.

Meeting for 6/7 called to order at 7:20 PM and closed as 8:50 PM

1. Roll Call (by Team)

- a. Note: There was an issue Coaches Books having the 4/5 team list. Gary will send this out to all coaches this week. If an issue with phone number or e-mail, please respond to e-mail thread. Coaches will then update their records. (Sorry this could not be done during today's meeting)

Organization	Coach or Representative	Present/Fine
East Division		
Saucon Valley	Mark Mixa	Present
Palisades North	Janice Farase	Present
Palisades South	Cortney Davis	Present
Williams Pumas	Weston Loxley	Present
Easton Avengers	Terrance Hand	Present
South Division		
Northeast	Greg Ehret	Present
Wilson	Don Houser	Present
St. Jane Hawks	Joseph Clymire	Present
BT Cyclones	Chuck Shields	Present
Palmer Blast	Kevin Pursell	Present
North Division		
Forks Phillies	Brian Trimmer	Present
Pen Argyll	Scott Steele	Present
UMBT Thunder	Theresa Brand	Present
UMBT Flames	Jeff Sonntag	Present
Wind Gap Wildcats	Tim Hauff	Present
West Division		
Forks Extreme (was listed as Bombers)	Erol Borluca	Present
Upper Nazareth	Jason Kupcha 610-703-8802	Present
UMBT Impact	Don Langdon	Present

BT Firebirds	Rick Pavelko	Present
Palmer Titans	Jeff Ruth	Present

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2. For bullet points 2-6, 8-9, see above under 4/5 level.
 - a. Old Business, Treasure Report, Insurance Certificates, Instructional 2/3 and K/1 coaches meeting, handing out Coaches Handbooks, Rule books, and Scorebooks, Miracle League Handout, and Adjournment/Next Meeting
3. Review of Material
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 - e. Rules Review
 - i. Under Base Running, Point 6 Steals.
 1. Currently Written as:
 - a. 3. All runners may advance one base when the catcher is attempting to throw a runner out who is attempting to steal. No advancement on an

overthrow. These additional advancements will be considered stolen bases.

2. Should be update to:
 - a. 3. All runners may advance one base when the catcher is attempting to throw a runner out who is attempting to steal. The ball is considered live where the base runner can advance one additional base at their own risk if the throw is misplayed. This additional advancement does not count against the steal totals.
3. Commentary for Clarification:
 - a. Runner on 1st and 2nd where both runner attempt to steal the next base on a pitched ball. This counts as a double steal (2). The catcher than attempts to throw the runner advancing to third where the ball sails into left field. The runner originally on second can advance to home at her own risk and the original runner on first can advance to third at her own risk with no additional steals counted.
 - b. Runner on 1st and 2nd where the runner on second attempts to steal 3rd base on a pitched ball. The runner at 1st initially only take her initial lead and watches the play develop. The catcher than attempts to throw the runner advancing to third where the ball sails into left field. The runner originally on second can advance to home at her own risk with no additional steals. The runner on first can advance no future than third base. However, while her initial move was not to steal second while the catcher is putting the ball in play, her advance to second base will count as a steal. Her advancement to third base will not be counted as a steal.
4. Currently Written as:
 - a. 7. Pick-off plays are permitted. Other base runners may advance one (1) base. Pick-off plays are permitted at all bases. The ball is live on pick-off throw and the ball must be returned to the pitcher to stop play. All base runners may advance one base on an overthrow.
 - i. a. Any advancement on a pick-off play is NOT considered an attempted steal and will not count towards the number of maximum steals allowed per game.
5. Should be update to:
 - a. 7. Pick-off plays are permitted. Pick-off plays are permitted at all bases. The ball is live on pick-off

throw and the ball must be returned to the pitcher to stop play. There is no limit on the number of bases a runner can advance. Runner continues to advance at her own risk.

- i. a. Any advancement on a pick-off play is NOT considered an attempted steal and will not count towards the number of maximum steals allowed per game.

Meeting for 8/9 B and A called to order at 9:05 PM and closed as 9.45 PM

1. Roll Call (by Team)

Organization	Coach or Representative	Present/Fine
B		
BT Hurricanes	Jayson Hayes	Present
Palisades North	Rod Scott	Present
Palisades South	Katyln Stokes	Present
Upper Nazareth	Jeremy Selzer (behalf of Kat)	Present
Easton	Bill Stocker	Present
Forks	Kelly Torres	Present
UMBT Babes	Jeremy Redcay	Present
UMBT Heat	Dave Klinge	Present
A		
Saucon Valley	Mark Mixa	Present
LN Turbo	Kevin Rhodes	Present
UMBT Extreme	Matt Bichler	Present
BT Blackhawks	Leo McMenimen	Present
Northeast	Kevin Steinhart	Present
BT Cyclones	Juan Dezvalle	Present
Upper Nazareth	Jeremy Selzer	Present
Palmer	Steve Speshok	Present
Palmer	Jeff Vicent (represented by Steve)	Present

- 2. Currently No fines: 100% attendance
- 3. Books handed out for 8/9B.
- 4. 8/9 rosters submitted.
- 5. 8/9A handed in Coaches Forms and Bad Date Forms.
- 6. Otherwise, see main minutes under 4/5 level.