Eastern Lehigh Valley Softball League

Coaches Meetings for April 13, 2014

4th/5th Grade Level: 6:03 PM to 7:35 PM

6th/7th Grade Level: 7:45 PM to 8:50 PM

8th/9th Grade Levels 9:02 PM to 9:35 PM

1. Team Role Call

- a. 4th/5th Grade Level 100% attendance
 - i. Coaches Directory Changes
 - 1. Wilson Wildcatz Steve Weber 908-303-4409
 - 2. Easton Susan Newquist <u>610-905-8399</u>
 - Pen Argyl Comments Tonia Salamone 610-570-2563
 Forks Lightening Erol Borluca 973-809-1431
 UMBT Starts Denise edwards 610-703-8710
- b. 6th/7th Grade Level 100% attendance
 - i. Coaches Directory Changes
 - 1. Saucon Valley Eric Shoch 484-221-0321
- c. 8th/9th Grade Level National (B) 100% attendance
 - i. Coaches Directory Changes
 - 1. UMBT Adrenaline Ed Nelson 908-510-<u>3460</u>
 - 2. Pen Argyl Terry Nasatka 484-894-3256
- d. 8th/9th Grade Level American (2)
 - i. \$10 fine for Palmer 1 (Jeff Young), BT 2 (Leo McMenimen), and Upper Nazareth (Joe Passaro)
 - ii. Coaches Directory Changes
 - 1. BT Thunder Glenn Shingara 484-347-0289

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Others:	Dennis Grube			

Fines (No Payments received) 2.

- a. Past Meetings
 - i. 11/3/2013 Bethlehem Township, Upper Nazareth (\$10 each)
 - ii. 12/15/2013 UMBT, & Upper Nazareth (\$10 each)
 - iii. 1/9/2014 Forks & Bushkill (\$10 each)
 - iv. 3/9/2014 Phillipsburg and Upper Nazareth (\$10 each)
 - v. 4/13/2014 Palmer 1 (Jeff Young), BT 2 (Leo McMenimen), and Upper Nazareth (Joe Passaro)
- b. Totals (Unpaid fines will results in inability to play in the playoffs and/or other considerations). Please pay these at the May 4th meeting.

- i. Bethlehem Township (\$20)
- ii. Upper Nazareth (\$40)
- iii. UMBT (\$10)
- iv. Forks (\$10)
- v. Phillipsburg (\$10)
- vi. Palmer (\$10)

3. Minutes from 3/9/2014 approved

4. Board Positions: Still Open

- a. Treasurer Under 8th grade Open (Ed Nash requesting to step down)
- b. 6th/7th Statisticians Open (Currently Gary)

5. <u>Treasures Report</u>

- a. No report this meeting.
 - SV paid \$10 in cash for paying upper level by check of \$145 instead of \$155.
 - ii. Palmer paid \$720.00
 - iii. Other organizations paid during the group of meeting and marked up on team fees sheet and submitted to Gary (Sorry, not recorded here). Gary will follow-up with 3-4 organizations with outstanding balances.

6. Request for Liability Insurance

a. All organizations accounted for.

Meeting for K-1 and 2/3 moved from April 22nd to April 23rd

a. Gary will send reminder to organization reps closer to the meeting.

8. <u>Distribution of materials</u>

- a. Scorebooks, PIAA Rule2014 rule books, and Coaches binders
- b. Organization reps also received binders.

9. Rules Discussions

a. Cancellation of Games (non-weather)

- Contact statistician (Gary for 4/5 and 6/7) and Mike Fabian (8/9) prior to calling opposing coach for approval with minimum of 48 hour prior to scheduled game.
- ii. After approval, align with opposing coach, then contact Jon Adams and statistician with new date, time, location, and teams involved.

b. Rules Interpretation/Protest

- i. Judgment calls cannot be protested
- ii. Must protest before the next pitch.

c. Game Procedures

- After any game (completed, suspended, incomplete), the winning coach shall report the score and inning pitched for both teams reporting pitchers last name the night of scheduled game.
- ii. Failure to timely report will result in \$5.00 fine.

d. Ninth Batter rules at 4th/5th grade

- i. Amended rule under batting, section 4. Removed last two lines of "runners will be entitled to advance one base. In the event o a base hit, the runners are entitled to advance the same number of bases that the batter has advanced." Added, refer to possession rules.
 - For example, runner on 2nd and 3rd with one out when ninth batter hits the ball to second where 2nd baseman throws girl out at first. Runner at third scores, but runner at second does not make 2/3 the way home, so while aggressive base running and official two outs, the girl on second returns to third, inning over.
 - 2. Same example above but hit to right field, the right fielder gets ball in quickly to second baseman to declare possession where batter round first, but cannot make second. Under the two lines removed, since hitter got only one base, the girl on second only gets one base and does not score. With line removed, it goes to time of possession.

If the girl on second is aggressive and over 2/3 to home, she could score. If not 2/3 the way home, then same as above where if safe at home (play or no play made at home), she returns to 3rd and inning over. The appendix does a good job of explaining is safe over 2/3 then award bag, and safe but under 2/3 then going back.

- e. Pitcher Warm-ups at 6th/7th level
 - i. As noted in the March minutes but not captured in the rules distributed under Defense/Fielding section 5, returning pitcher get 3 warm-up pitches to align with pitching section. Only a new pitcher will be allowed 5 warm up pitches.

f. Other Points:

- i. Fielder has the right to any hit ball. Runner must give way.
- ii. Runner has the rights to any thrown ball

10. ZebraWeb

a. Contact Jon Adams with your name, team, age group, contact phone number and e-mail address to get an account and password.

11. <u>UMBT 8/9 Field Change</u>

a. 8/9 Level update that UMBT will be playing all 8/9 level games at THE EAST BANGOR FIELD. WEEKNIGHT GAMES WILL START AT 6 P.M. SATURDAY GAMES WILL START AT 10 A.M.

12. <u>Next Meeting Dates</u>

- a. Coaches Meeting
 - i. May 4th: 6:00 PM 4th/5th level coaches
 - ii. May 4th: 7:00 PM 6th/7th level coaches
 - iii. May 4th: 8:00 PM 8th/9th level coaches (Rosters due at this meeting)
 - iv. Per prior meeting notes, May 4th: 5:00 PM 2nd/3rd level coaches. Gary will send a reminder for all levels.