

## District 13 Meeting

11/22/2021

Attendees:

<b>League Presidents/Representative</b>	<b>D13 Board members</b>
Eric Rodriguez - TRSLL	Brett Watson
Jeff Parent – ALL	Susan Blank
Chris Coronella - TSLL	Jeni Hurst
Doug Brewster - CNLL	Michael Boucher
Nikki Gamboa - CALL	Steven Church

### **New President Introduction:**

- Jeff Parent - Ahwatukee Little League
- Chris Coronella – Tempe South Little League
- Nikki Gamboa – Chandler American Little League

### **End of year Financials:**

- Please see the attached end of year financials and back statement.
- The end of year budget did not include the following items:
  - Bill from the City of Tempe for the pitching mounds that were installed for the tournaments. We have reached out to them several times and have not gotten a response from them. District13 has the money to cover this bill.
  - District 13 has not been billed for the use of Papago Park. D13 checked with TRSLL and TSLL to see if either of them was billed and it does not look like we have been billed at all. D13 has the budget to cover this expense should we get billed later.
  - End of year reports are due to Brett by **December 15<sup>th</sup>**. CNLL asked if what the league sends to Western Regional is acceptable and Brett said this was okay.
  - Brett let the Presidents know that they should be having an outside audit of their books once per year.

### **2022 Budget:**

- The 2022 District 13 budget was presented. Please see the attached document.
- A discussion about whether to continue to have games at Tempe Diablo for the Juniors division was discussed in terms of the cost. The current cost is \$200 per game. More discussion will be needed on this topic.
- The 2022 budget was approved with a unanimous vote.

## New Business:

- April Meehleder has moved on from Little League and left the Western Region office for an outside opportunity. For the interim, Andrew Cortez and Jake Galloway will be filling in.
- Andrew was at the AZ State Little League meeting in Oct. Items that Andrew brought up:
  - If leagues did not charter in 2021 and still will not in 2022 than they need to let Western Region know so we can readjust the boundary map.
  - If you had a player that in 2021 played in your league because their home league did not charter but will for 2022, they must go back to the original league.
  - Membership is down about 20%.
  - Bringing back umpire clinics in 2022.
- For your background checks Brett asks that you run at least 3 per team. Within the Little League Data Center, you can do 100-150 background checks for free.
- Doug asked who will run the background checks for the Junior umpires? Brett said if they are not run by the individual leagues then District 13 will run the background check.
- Make sure your safety plans and rosters are in the Data Center by **April 1, 2022**. If you are having issues with your safety plan, please contact Kate Hamm. The District gets \$100 for each complete safety plan and rosters uploaded by a league and will reduce that league administrative fees by \$100 if they complete this.
- Tentative State Tournament locations:
  - 8-10 – D7 Mesa
  - 9-11 – D3 North Phoenix
  - Majors – D10 Prescott/Prescott Valley
  - Juniors – D5 Tucson

## Umpire Clinic:

- Doug Singer, UIC from District 7, spoke about umpire development opportunities.
- Doug would like to start identifying younger umpires that show interest in learning more about umpiring.
- The idea is to first have an umpire clinic to go through the basics of how to be an umpire.
- Once the younger umpires are identified more experienced umpires will collaborate with them on the pregame and postgame meetings as well as game management. This will be done during the tournaments.
- Umpire clinic is scheduled for **February 26<sup>th</sup> at Snedigar Sports Complex**.
- The clinic is for anyone 13 or older and of any level of experience. D13 to provide water and lunch.
- If your league has an UIC, please have them attend as well.
- Fliers to be sent to all the league Presidents and posted on the District website.

**Around the District:**

- No new topics brought up by the Presidents

**Next Meeting – 12/16/21 – Brogan Center 1430 W Elna Rae St. Tempe**

Motion to adjourn was accepted and the meeting was adjourned.