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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CAPITOL HILL LITTLE LEAGUE (CHLL)

A meeting of the CHLL Board was held on October 4, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time at the Fields at RFK. CHLL President Jason Goldsmith presided over the opening of the meeting. Becky Skinner served as Secretary. In attendance were:

Bill Buck
Jake Cumsky-Whitlock
Jason Goldsmith
Lance Hayden
Katie Holloran
Seth Kaufman
Lisa Miller
Kiki Saveriano
Becky Skinner
Kevin Starace
David Toney
Lona Valmoro

Approval of Agenda
A motion was made to approve the agenda. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes
A motion was made to approve the minutes from August. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Board Positions
The board discussed board positions for the upcoming year.

A motion was made to nominate Katie Holloran as board president. The motion was approved by voice vote.

After being elected board president, Katie Holloran presided over the remainder of the meeting.

After discussing the remaining open positions, a motion was made to approve the following individuals en bloc for the positions specified below. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Vice President: Jason Goldsmith
Secretary: Becky Skinner
Player Agent: Lisa Miller
Safety Officer: Jake Cumsky-Whitlock

Treasurer: Seth Kaufman
Coach Coordinator: Kevin Starace
Registrar: Jason Goldsmith
Commissioner Coordinator: Becky Skinner
Field Scheduling Coordinator: Lona Valmoro
Field/Shed Coordinators: Lisa Miller, Lance Hayden, and Kevin Starace
Sponsorships and Development Coordinators: David Toney and Bill Buck
Uniform Coordinator: Kiki Saveriano
Equipment Coordinator: Seth Kaufman
Communications Coordinator: Lance Hayden
Competition Coordinator: Bill Buck

As part of the discussion about board positions, the board noted that it would be useful to create a field advocacy position. The board also agreed that we need to add someone to the board who could serve as the day-to-day fields manager. Lisa, Lance, and Kevin will work on developing a fields plan, while the board identifies a new board member who could serve as the day-to-day fields manager. The board will also reach out to Opi Leckszas, a former CHLL fields manager, for advice and guidance. The board discussed the need to develop a multi-year strategic plan. The board also discussed field conditions at Tyler, the cost of using Payne, and the need to consider increasing fees in the spring and potentially capping player registration based on field availability.

Open Board Positions
The board currently has three open positions. The board identified three needs that these positions could address: (1) a second Player Agent, (2) day-to-day fields maintenance, and (3) an umpire coordinator. Katie Holloran will talk with the commissioners of the younger divisions for possible board recommendations.

Tyler
The field is now playable. Another workday will be needed before the winter. Kevin Starace will set up a meeting with the school principal.

Preliminary Budget
Seth Kaufman provided an overview of the preliminary budget that the former treasurer, Ryan Smith, assembled. There are four key questions that will need to be addressed in finalizing the budget:

1. How much will fields cost moving forward?
2. How many players do we anticipate having (and does that number need to be capped due to field space limitations)?
3. How much will we charge for registration in the spring?
4. How many sponsorships will we be able to secure and a what rate?

Ryan’s budget is based on fees of $170 per player for the spring season. Seth will send the draft budget documents to the board.

Majors/AAA Workouts
The board agreed to hold combined Majors and AAA indoor spring workouts, using a third-party evaluator. Lisa Miller will talk with Bradley Baseball and Dynasty about helping with the workouts.

COVID
A AA team had a player with a confirmed case of COVID. The player is quarantining. The other families on the team have been notified. No one else is quarantining, though, because no other players or coaches met the CDC quarantine requirements.

Shed at Amidon
There is an urgent need for a new shed at Amidon. The current shed is falling apart. A motion was made to authorize the purchase of a new shed for Amidon. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Next Meeting
The next board meeting will be on Monday, November 1 at 6:30 pm, unless the board needs to convene earlier. The meeting will be conducted in-person or by video.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. EDT.

Approved:	Respectfully submitted,
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Katie Holloran, President	Rebecca Skinner, Secretary