

RCSL COACHES/MANAGERS MEETING

Thursday June 9, 2009

Attendance: Lori Chandronnet (Town Hall Lanes Manager), Mary Walker (Town Hall Lanes Ast. Coach), Davis Squillace (Blazin Kitties Manager), T.L. (Gallery Coach), Jonathan Ricci (RCSL Commissioner/Gallery), Kristen Lavery (Misfits Coach), Mike Leitao (Grind/Bandits Coach & RCSL Co-Player Liaison), Jennifer Wall (RCSL Secretary/GIRLSPOT), Nick Morel (GIRLSPOT Player), Jimmy Page (GRIND/Bandits & RCSL Treasurer), Dave Johnson (GRIND & RCSL Assistant Commissioner), Dave Motta (Cat-Atomic), Robbie Rannin (GRIND Coach).

Meeting Called To Order At: 7:40pm

Sign In Sheet

- Passed around a sign-in sheet including first & last name, team affiliation, role on team or in league, email address, home phone # and cell phone #.
- Contact Secretary at JenniferW1017@yahoo.com with any corrections to contact information (phone numbers, email address, etc).
- Commissioner will send e-mail addresses for Blazin' Kitty's Coaches.

Coaches/Managers Contact List Revisions

- Secretary made revisions to previous coaches/managers contact list.
- Hard copies passed out.
- Any corrections sent to Secretary for list to be reproduced.

RCSL Coaches/Mangers Meeting Notes Review

- Reviewed notes from June 25, 2009 meeting which were distributed in hard copy as well as via email.
- Motion made by Jon Ricci to accept the notes and seconded by Mary Walker. All in favor. No one opposed. Motion passed.

Rules of Play

- If you don't submit rules of play, you don't play.
- Need forms from Blazin' Kitty's. Coaches were contacted.

Suspension Letter

- Letter created by Secretary. Reviewed by Board.
- Deb from the Gallery received suspension letter.
- If she shows up to game on Sunday, can play.
- Must give 14 day written notice, as stated in by-laws.
- Secretary needs to send out earlier notice next time.

Submitting Team Scores

- Robbie and Mike are working together to submit the Grind's scores to the Commissioner.
- Coaches, text Commissioner scores immediately after games. Both teams.

Player Ratings

- Need ratings from Blazin' Kitty's.
- Thank you to all coaches who submitted.

World Series

- Not enough interest from "D" Division players.
- Need to better publicize and market for World Series 2010; earlier on.
- Will compile list of yes's to keep on file.
- Funds sent in to NAGAAA for the GRIND.

Field Maintenance

- At Pierce Field, the fence needs to be sealed up. If the ball rolls under it, player advances a base.
- Secretary will email Parks & Rec.
- Managers talk to umpires prior to games.

RCSL Raffle Ticket Fundraiser

- Process and Procedure- every player will be expected to sell 10 tickets at \$10 a piece.
- Potential for league to raise a lot of money.
- 50 % goes to the league, 25 % to one winner, 25% another winner.
- Raffle will take place on November 29th. Need not be present to win.
- Coaches each got 100 tickets. Signed sheet.
- Town Hall Lanes- #'s 01-100 *Signed out by Lori Chandronnet*
- Misfits- #'s 101-200 *Signed out by Kristen Lavery*
- GirlSpot- #'s 201-300 *Signed out by Jennifer Wall*
- Bandits- #'s 301-400 *Signed out by Jimmy Page*

- Gallery- #'s 401-500 *Signed out by Tom Labrosse*
- GRIND- #'s 501-600 *Signed out by Rob Rannin*
- Cat-A-Tomic- #'s 601-700
- Blazin' Kitty's- #'s 701-800 *Signed out by Davis Squillace on behalf of Corey & Jess*
- Coaches encouraged to sign tickets out for you are responsible.
- Any unused tickets are to be returned to RCSL.
- Prize list will be compiled by Commissioner.
- All prizes due by July 13th.
- Thank you to all Coaches/teams/players who donated thus far.

Elections

- Mary Walker and Kristen Lavery accepted nomination to be on Election Committee.
- Suggestion made to have a "C" Division representative. Will discuss during Executive Board meeting.
- Deadline of July 15th to run for Ast. Commissioner, Secretary and Player Liaison positions sent out by Commissioner.
- Current Ast. Commissioner, Secretary and Player Liaison (Mike) have submitted interest emails.
- Absentee ballots will be accepted as long as signed in front of one of the election committee representatives.

Bats

- Bats are subject to be checked every game by the umpire or by a Board member. Need to be consistent.
- Any damaged bats or illegal bats could cause ASA or the RCSL to be liable.
- If a player knowingly uses a damaged or illegal bat and someone gets hurt, they could be held liable as well.
- ASA's website has illegal and legal bats lists.
- In order to use a bat, it must be on the ASA approved bat list.
- Cannot be on the non-approved bat list.
- Bat has to have ASA stamp on it. 2001 or 2004 stamp.
- Mistake made by Commissioner with GirlSpot bat. Clarification given.
- Umpire of Misfits game wrote on their bats because bat was dented/damaged. Deemed unsafe.
- Two piece bats are illegal.

Banquet

- Sub-Committee being put together to plan banquet.
- Sign up sheet sent around.
- Interest expressed from- Lori Chandronnet, Nick Merollo, Kristen Lavery, Jimmy Page, Mike Leitao, Dave Johnson, Jon Ricci, Jennifer Wall.
- Potential meeting dates will be sent out by Secretary via Meeting Wizard.
- Banquet will serve as a general membership meeting.
- All agenda items are to be sent to the Secretary to be put on the agenda prior to the banquet.

New Business

- Manager of Town Hall Lanes expressed concern with Manager of Bandits. Town Hall Lanes player hit home run over the fence. Bandits coach protested player's rating. Coaches can't ever protest a player's rating because it's not the World Series or a tournament and higher division players are permitted to play in lower divisions in the RCSL. Spectator (T.L.) saw the play and agreed that the ball was hit over the fence. Automatic out.
- Home run rules clarified- "D" Division- no over the fence home runs allowed; "C" Division- 1 over the fence home run allowed per game.
- Time limit clarification- 55 minute time limit per game.
- Issues were brought up during game by Bandits Coach, and not after the game. Inquiry about player who hit home run, being gay or straight. Attempt to pick him up for World Series.
- Coach has right to protest games or plays if it is a rule they're protesting. Must protest before the game is over.
- Tabled discussion. Will discuss player ratings at later point in time.
- Blocking a base complaint with Blazin' Kitty's player (Corey) was discussed. If this happens, coach must go to umpire to discuss. Umpires job to then warn the player.
- Coaches in "D" Division are reminded to instruct players about the safety base, blocking and what they can and cannot do.
- Suggestion made to offer coaches a technical assistance clinic on rules, etc.

Tournament Committee Meeting

- Thursday July 30, 2009, 7:30pm, Club Gallery

Next General Membership/Coaches Meeting

- August 20, 2009, 7:30pm, Club Gallery

Call To Action Summary

WHO (responsible for completing task)	WHAT (what needs to get done)	WHEN (timeframe)	✓ (check when completed)
Everyone	Send updated contact information to Secretary of League if anything changes	As needed	
Secretary	Update contact sheet for coaches/managers	As needed	
Commissioner	Send email addresses for Blazin' Kitty's Coaches/Managers to Secretary	ASAP	
Secretary	Send notes from June 25, 2009 meeting to Manny to post on Website	ASAP	✓
Blazin' Kitty's	Submit signed rules of play from team to Secretary	Overdue	
Coaches	Text scores immediately after games to Commissioner. Both sets of Coaches are to do so.	Each Week	
Blazin' Kitty's	Player ratings need to be completed and submitted to Commissioner	Overdue	
Commissioner	Compile list of "D" Division players who expressed interest in attending the World Series this year. Keep on file.	ASAP	
Secretary	Email Parks & Rec. about hole under the fence at Pierce Field that needs to be sealed.	ASAP	
Coaches	Talk to umpires about hole under fence and ruling at beginning of game, if playing at Pierce.	As Needed	
Coaches	Sign out 10 raffle tickets to each player on team; if you have more than 10 active players, you can sign out less.	Immediately	
Everyone	Prizes brought to field for raffle	July 13 th Deadline	
Commissioner	Prize list compiled and made available to everyone	ASAP	
Executive Board	Discuss & choose "C" Division player(s) to be on Election Committee	Executive Board Meeting	
Commissioner	Compile list of people interested in running for positions	On-going	✓

Everyone	If interested in running for Ast. Commissioner, Secretary or Player Liaison send email to Commissioner	July 15 th deadline	✓
Secretary	Send out potential list of dates for banquet sub-committee to meet via Meeting Wizard	ASAP	✓
Everyone	Agenda items for the banquet which have to be approved by general membership are to be sent to Secretary	Prior to banquet	
Coaches	Hold a technical assistance clinic for any coach who is interested in attending.	TBA	
Tournament Committee Meeting	Plan RCSL Tournament	July 30 th , 7:30pm, Club Gallery	
Secretary	Type up notes and send to Board to review; have Manny post on website	ASAP	✓
Coaches & Executive Board	Next Coaches meeting	August 20 th , 7:30pm, Club Gallery	

Meeting Adjourned: 9:30 pm.