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Long Beach Recreation Advisory Committee
Minutes
November 17, 2008

Members present: David Marks, Ray McCrea, Toni DiLorenzo, Joanne Carr, Kerri Caldarelli, Rhonda Johnson, John Sigafoose, Scott Dubuisson and Dewayne Bush, President. Also present was Bob Paul, Recreation Director.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Dewayne Bush, President.

Updates from Bob Paul: Basketball season is scheduled to start December 8th, pending on uniforms. The new recreation center is scheduled to be open in early spring. Baseball fields will depend on Mr. Marlin Ladner, Supervisor. There will be no practice before opening day. Overseeding will begin soon on the fields.

Long Beach Youth Baseball League concerns were discussed.

- 1) Mr. George Meeks is listed as a board member and appears to have voted according to league minutes. Also, Mr. Meeks was paid on 9-16-08 to umpire. This is in violation of minimum recreation by-laws. It was recommended that Mr. Meeks repay the \$235.00 to the league.
- 2) The issue is related individuals serving on the board was discussed. It was recommended that if a husband and wife were serving on the same board, one should excuse his/herself from vote.
- 3) It was recommended that LBYBL amend by-laws to state that board elections will be held within 30 days of the end of the regular season.
- 4) There was a conflict in a recent board election. A person resigned from the board, then proceeded to make a nomination for another to fill her position. This is in violation of by-laws. It was recommended that a new election be held to fill that position.
- 5) The issue of board members not paying registration fees for their own children to play in the league was discussed. It was recommended by this Board that this should not take place, as this is a form of compensation. Also, board members and their families should pay for concession stand items, as this is

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- 6) Minutes and financial reports were discussed. The LBRAC members will attending meetings held by all city leagues to ensure that minutes are being

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and financial reports being presented at meetings.

- 7) The financial reports from the "8 year old All Star" team will be provided by the Davises.

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There is allegedly \$977 held in a private account for this team that has not

- spent. It was recommended that guidelines be put into place for allstar teams.
- 8) Awareness of our Board (LBRAC) was discussed. It was suggested that information for resolution of issues be placed in league by-laws and also on the web site. It was also suggested that this information be placed on registration forms.
 - 9) It was recommended by this board that an exception to LBYBL by-laws be written to state that Fall Ball is not a part of Cal Ripken. The by-laws needs to be amended to reflect what rules are being changed according to Cal Ripken.

Backgrounds checks of all coaches, board members, concession stand workers, and dugout parents were discussed. The new requirements will go into effect beginning January 1, 2009, for all leagues. The fees for the new background checks will be absorbed through the leagues, possibly by raising registration fees by \$1 or \$2 per child.

Recent allegations of abuse reporting were brought to this board's attention. According to a citizen/day care provider (Tami), she informed Mrs. Lackey, who held a position on the LBYBL board on March 21st that there were allegations against a certain coach. (She stated name of coach to Mrs. Lackey). Mrs. Lackey called Mr. Davis, VP of LBYBL, and also told Mr. Bill Hertzog, President of LBYBL, and Mr. Bob Paul, Recreation Director, at the field. (Coach's name was given). Bob Paul has stated that he was not given the coach in question's name. Mr. Paul informed her that the parent needed to file a police report. Discussion was held on lack of guidelines for mandatory reporting of abuse by board members and Director.

A motion was made by Scott Dubuisson to recess at 9:28 p.m. Motion was seconded by Kerri Caldarelli and passed unanimously. Next meeting will be held November 24, 2008.

At 9:35 p.m. a motion was made by John Sigafoose to go into executive session. This motion was seconded by Toni DiLorenzo.

Rosters of teams that were coached by Mr. Scott Yancey in previous years were discussed. These will be given to Dewayne Bush to bring to police department.

Discussion was held as to what, if any, reparations need to made for those who were aware of allegations back in March 2008.

A motion was made by Kerri Caldarelli for LBRAC board members to serve as an advisory person with each city league board. This motion was seconded by Toni DiLorenzo and passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn was made by Joanne Carr at 10:15 p.m. and seconded by Kerri Caldarelli. This motion passed unanimously.