



**DISTRICT 25
LITTLE LEAGUE
BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL**

**President's Meeting
Minutes
1-20-2016**

Welcome and Introductions – The Meeting was called to order at 7:35pm, Marty welcomed everyone

Vendor – Sandra Gonzales from Smart and Final made a presentation

Charters/Insurance- 9 of 11 Leagues are now chartered- Reminder to Presidents, if the League is short on funds, PAY the Insurance right away and the Charter Fees later.
THERE SHOULD BE NO TRYOUTS OR PRACTICES UNTIL CHARTER IS APPROVED AND INSURANCE PAID

Registration – Stay within Your League Boundaries.

Constitutions and By- Laws- Marty advised some Presidents that their League's Constitutions were OUTDATED and needed to be resubmitted to the Region for approval. 2 Leagues now have the status of Constitution **NOT ON FILE**..Check the League Data Center for status.. If the Constitution has been Revised it must be voted on by General Membership. Marty also spoke briefly on the need to file a Constitution with Little League even if League is Incorporated separately.

As to ByLaws - they DO NOT supercede the Constitution. The By-Laws spell out the **Options that Leagues may choose to follow, i.e.; Discipline of Members, NO dropped 3rd strike in minors and Method of selecting All Stars Players and Managers.**

Background Checks – California Has a NEW LAW in effect regarding Background Checks MAKE SURE your League is in Compliance with the LL Policy and the State Law.

Also, Mark Magna, Past President West LA, asked, via email, if the Leagues who utilize the same Umpire Associations could consolidate the Background Checks. Marty will look into it.

Interleague Application/Combine Play Marty will add a separate **HANDOUT** for explanation of these items.

Interleague – Mark Magna, West LA, would like more interleague games in the Major and Minor Divisions of Baseball. Many League answered that they are in agreement with Mark's suggestion. Marty wants to make sure the paperwork, Interleague application, is filled out. Also that the Leagues develop ground rules and distribute them.

Clinics-/Safety District is still working on hosting a Coaches Clinic and a Safety Clinic In the meantime Leagues should start and finish up ASAP Manual by March.

Urban Initiative Jamboree- District 25 will be hosting this Jamboree again at Ladera LL on April 15-17, 2016. Volunteers are needed to help with Scorekeeping and announcing

League Assessments- This is an assessment of the Leagues to run the District, buying supplies such as Office Supplies, Baseballs and Softballs, Pins, and Banners. Invoices will be based on how many teams your League Chartered this year. If the League does not field the amount of teams charged – Please amend your Charter to reflect the Corrected number. Invoices will be emailed to the Presidents and are payable by March 1st 2016.

Tournaments- TOC will start June 4th 2016, Meeting for TOC Managers and Coaches will be June 1st. All Stars for Softball and the Upper Divisions of Baseball will start in the middle of June. Little League, 10-11, and 9-10's Baseball will start around June 25th

Regional Roundtables- Marty explained that this Meeting is a Mini Congress to discuss and pass Rules, Regulations and Policy for Little League Baseball and Softball. The League Presidents received the 10 Topics and have until Wednesday January 27th to email Marty with the League opinion on each topic.

Dodger Days – The Youth Parade dates were sent out to the Leagues. If Your League is interested in other Dodger Dates Please contact Marty.

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Willie E. - stated that there will be a number of Clinics coming up and they are not limited to Umpires. The Clinics may also help Managers and Coaches understand the Rules, Umpire Calls and Mechanics. **The next Classroom sessions are January 26th and Feb 23rd, 7-9pm at Windward Room 210.** Field Mechanics Session is February 9th 1:30p -5p at Culver City LL

Carlos Cruz, Upper Division Baseball – asked the Presidents to have their 50/70, Junior Baseball and Senior Baseball Commissioners/Directors contact him so he can schedule a meeting for Interleague play. Marty spoke about D25 Big League Baseball Program.

Veronica De La Trinidad -Softball – will be contacting the League Softball coordinators for a Meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: February 17, 2016 7:30p at Windward School, Same Room 210

After the Meeting
(Questions and Info received)

PitchSmart.org – is a website regarding Youth Pitching and Pitching Limits. The Site was developed by MLB and USA Baseball in conjunction with Drs James Andrews and Glenn Flesig, who are the architects of the Little League's Pitch Count