**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE**

**CAPITOL HILL LITTLE LEAGUE (CHLL)**

A meeting of the CHLL Board was held on June 7, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time by video. CHLL President David Fox presided over the opening of the meeting. Becky Skinner served as Secretary. In attendance were:

Melissa Beard

Jake Cumsky-Whitlock

Steve Fall

David Fox

Jason Goldsmith

Lance Hayden

Seth Kaufman

Lisa Miller

Becky Skinner

Kevin Starace

Ramin Taheri

David Toney

Lona Valmoro

**Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made to approve the agenda with the addition of a discussion about the fall season and annual meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the minutes from March. The motion was approved by voice vote.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Ryan Smith will be emailing the treasurer’s report.

**Board Vacancy**

The board discussed filling the vacancy that will be open with David Fox’s departure at the end of the spring season. Katie Holloran, current Challengers Division commissioner and former CHLL board member, was recommended to fill David’s spot. A motion was made for Katie Holloran to assume the vacant board position on June 20, 2021. The motion was approved by voice vote. David Fox will reach out to her to let her know and will send an email to the membership announcing the change in board members.

**Fall Season**

Fall season permits will start on September 7 at the RFK Fields and DPR fields. Lona Valmoro has already applied for RFK permits. Permit applications for DPR fields should open around the beginning of July, but the league should hear about historic field allocations before then. There has been no word about whether DGS (school) fields will be available in the fall. The league may have to make decisions about the number of players and teams for the fall season before any information is released about the DGS fields.

Spring teams will carry into the fall season. Roster sizes can increase to 12 players on each team. If the league wants to have more teams, it would require more fields. The board discussed setting hard caps on registration, switching to waiting lists, and leaving the waiting lists open longer than usual in case additional fields become available. If additional fields become available, players on the wait list can play. Prior to starting the actual season, the league can run sandlots and clinics the weeks of August 30th and September 6th. The season would start on September 13. Registration will open by mid-July and close on September 10. It is possible that more players will register for the fall season than registered for the spring season.

At the Single A level, clinics will continue to be offered. Even if no additional fields become available, AAA and Majors teams could have one practice each week as they will only have one game, instead of two games, each week.

The league needs to determine which commissioners will be staying for the fall season. Becky Skinner will reach out to the current commissioners.

**Annual Meeting**

The annual board meeting will be on Sunday, September 26. It will be a virtual meeting. The first board meeting for the new board will be on Monday, October 4. David Fox will check with Melissa Beard about getting the community center for in-person board meetings beginning in October.

**Field Mask Policy**

RFK is still requiring masks for everyone on the field. CHLL will continue its mask policy for the remainder of the season. On the next district call, the CHLL president will ask about masks during tournament play.

**June 19th**

There will be six events on Saturday, June 19 at RFK: (1) AAA finals, (2) Majors finals, (3) Pitch, Hit, and Run (PHR) competition, (4) AA All-Star game, (5) AAA All-Star game, and (6) Majors All-Star game. There will be trophies for the AAA/Majors champions and medals for the runners-up. There will be pins for the all-star players. Permits start at 11:00 am. Lona Valmoro will check to see if field access can start earlier.

CHLL will provide cold treats during the day. Each player will be able to get one treat for free. CHLL will provide funds to Events DC to purchase the treats and stock the freezers.

The board discussed the need to get big carts to transport the home run fences to the field. David Fox and Steve Fall will purchase these.

Multiple volunteers will be needed on June 19. David Fox will talk to the commissioners about recruiting volunteers. Volunteers will be needed to set up the home run fences, run the score board, play walk up music using blue tooth speakers, assist with the PHR competition, and so forth.

**Next Meeting**

The next board meeting will be on Monday, July 12 at 6:30 pm, unless the board needs to convene earlier, and will be conducted by video.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. EDT.

Approved: July 25, 2021 Respectfully submitted,

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Jason Goldsmith, President Rebecca Skinner, Secretary