



# ETJ Baseball Meeting

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## February 9, 2015

**Meeting was called to order by President, Chad Forcellini at 7:05 p.m. at the municipal building.**

**Motion to accept the minutes for January 2015:** Gary Sechrengost and Tom Polka.

**Treasurer Report:** Shawn Sipe gave the treasurer's report; the balance stands at: **\$12,453.10**, after three sign-ups. Shawn provided print outs of the bank statement for the meeting. The sponsorship checks are starting to come in. We also need to pay on the guns to Hunting and Fishing. Motion to accept the treasurer report: 1<sup>st</sup> Marty Bezek 2<sup>nd</sup> Kurt Lecorchick

**Members Present:** Kurt Lecorchick, Amy Forcellini, Chad Forcellini, Terry Hall, Mark Svencer, Gary Sechrengost, Ron Brown, Dan Vivian, Charlie Nagle, Matt Kowchuck, Shawn Sipe, Steve Ruddek, Veronica Burket, Sam Amenti, Mike Burkett, Jenn and Marty Bezek, Paul Wyrwas, Kristi Vaught, Mike George, Greg Schilling and Rob Miller.

We had baseball and softball sign-ups on January 10, 2015 and January 15, 2015. We also had another sign-up date on February 7. The total kids signed-up to play in the ETJ baseball and softball leagues at this time include: 176 players. The draft will take place on February 28<sup>th</sup>. We also had 77 people added to our Boosters this year!

ETJ will be having a Hoss's community night. A portion of each sale will go to the league for those who eat at Hoss's on this day. Slips are made and will be passed out at registration. **Gun tickets will also be given at registration. We are out of tickets.** If anyone has extra that they cannot sell- please get them to someone on the board; we have people willing to sell them for us. The Basket Party is a go for April 12, 2015 from 1-3. This is a Sunday. You can drop off your baskets between 8-11, or get them to Ron earlier. Tickets will be given to coaches at the Draft-coaches will be responsible to get 5 tickets to their players. The ticket will be \$5. The softball girls will be asked to bring drinks and the baseball will be asked to bring a baked good. We can always sell the left over drinks in the concession stand at the beginning of the season

Ben Gorman has been running our website and registration. He no longer has a child in our league, and does this job purely voluntarily. We discussed getting a gift for him. Everyone at the meeting agreed.

Chad discussed "Little Leagues" new baseball ages. He had handouts provided and posted this information on Facebook. We will need to move to these ages- we will work towards that this year, but no one will be forced to move their child up. The ages will be determined for the draft.

With the numbers that we have coming into the league- we are growing! We will have three major teams, four minor teams and five instructional teams for the baseball season. Softball will have one 14 and U, one 12 and U, three 10 and U, and two 8 and U teams this year.

We set the date for the draft for February 28. **We will get the paper work into the school to see if we can indeed hold the softball and baseball drafts on this day.** It was decided upon that the instructional softball will not draft, just like t-ball does not draft. Steve also mentioned that he would like to see 6-8 girls on the 8U instructional teams. Also, softball teams decided that 13 max girls was appropriate for the older teams. If we have too many girls, but not enough to make another team girls will be added to a list and given information about other leagues they may wish to play for. Birthdates will need to be followed versus letting age appropriate girls go from the team. (Girls wishing to move up) We will play accordingly once we have our numbers.

I will be updating clearances this week. I will let people know if they need certain clearances after that.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 by: 1<sup>st</sup> **Mark Svencer** 2<sup>nd</sup> **Steve Ruddek**