



# ETJ Meeting

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**April 13, 2015**

**Meeting was called to order by President, Chad Forcellini at 7:00 p.m. at Mitchell Field.**

Chad asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Paul would like added to the minutes that a discussion did take place that the boosters can vote on the necessity of the Basket Party for next year. This was discussed at the March meeting, but we wanted to see if the Basket Party was successful first. The basket party brought in over \$9,000 after expenses. We received many compliments and had a fantastic turn-out of baskets and people. At the years end, the boosters will vote on how many fundraisers are necessary.

**Motion to accept the minutes for March 2015:** Charlie Nagle and Eric Grecek.

**Treasurer Report:** Shawn Sipe gave the treasurer's report; the balance stands at: **\$24,075.16** with the guns paid and the basket party money deposited. Equipment and half of the shirts have been paid at this point, so we are in good standing for the season. Motion to accept the treasurer report: 1<sup>st</sup> Kurt Lecorchick 2<sup>nd</sup> Matt Kowchuck

**Members Present:** Amy Forcellini, Chad Forcellini, Terry Hall, Mark Svencer, Gary Sechrengost, Ron Brown, Charlie and Jaime Nagle, Matt Kowchuck, Shawn Sipe, Steve Ruddek, Sam Amenti, Jenn Bezek, Paul Wyrwas, Kurt Lecorchick, Eric Grecek, Tim and Jenn Spicher, Greg and Tina Schilling, Dan Vivian, Stacy Serenko, and Mike Burkett.

**Fundraisers Report:**

ETJ held a Hoss's community night. We made \$425.95- Thank You to those who came out to support the league.

The Basket Party was held on April 12, 2015 from 1-3. We had around 200 baskets to auction off. It was a huge success for the league. We had cases of left over water that will be sold at the concession stand this season. We had a great turn-out of volunteers- which was greatly appreciated. After paying for the Nanty-Glo Fire Hall, tickets and other expenses the league made over \$9,000 profit. A Huge Thanks to Ron and Darla Brown for putting this fundraiser together.

Gun tickets are due on Picture Day- April 25. The guns have already been paid for. We are asking that unsold tickets be returned soon, so that we may have a chance to get them sold. The ticket starts to go off on May 1 and runs for ten days.

Life Touch will be doing the pictures again this year. They are scheduled to be Saturday, April 25. Baseball will be at Mitchell starting at 9. Softball will be at Leidy starting at 9. I have attached the picture schedule- it is also on the website and our Facebook page. Coaches all received picture packages and should have passed them out by now.

Life Touch told me over the phone that they cannot do make-up pictures, although it was done in the past. I will call again to ask about this. Also, we are still trying to get sponsor pictures from them from last year. We may need to shop around next year for a new photographer.

We will also hold at the baseball and softball fields a "SWAP" of equipment. If you have any gently used equipment (shoes, gloves, etc) we will set them out, so that if someone needs the equipment they can get it the day of the pictures.

Field work days will be April 25- after pictures and April 26- at 1:00. Jaime needs people to help in the concession stand during pictures. We will have coffee, donuts and some other light menu items available.

There is a meeting on April 22- between ETJ and Blacklick coaches. The time and place for the meeting is to be announced. One thing that will need to be discussed is calling kids up to play. If a kid is physically there and on the bench, they must be played. If you call a kid up to play- then you also must play them. Cliff asked about adding his daughter to the roster as a back up- he only has nine players this year. If he adds her, she will have to play.

Amy has e-mailed people who need their clearances updated. Coaches and staff will not go onto the field this year without updated clearances. If you are new, please get your clearances. You can see what is needed by going on our website. Amy also updated the e-mail list. We have a lot of new boosters, and we want them to see the minutes, if they are unable to attend.

The schedule is complete with both baseball and softball. If someone has too many night games and wants to switch or visa-versa- they may do so- please work it out amongst teams and let Chad know. The rules have also been given for the year. Kurt has ordered the equipment for the year- if there are any problems, please see him.

We are also requesting that coaches call their scores into the Tribune Democrat after each game. **It is important for sponsors to see their names in the paper.**

Softball uniforms have been given out and baseball uniforms will be given out the week of April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Coaches from softball shared the needs of the concession stand at Leidy. We now have the money to do some of the needed things. Craig Gibson needs to be contacted about the grey water tank. We would like to get water in there as soon as possible. There was also talk of extending the concession stand.

Jamie has sent the concession stand schedule. Coaches are asked to have parents fill in the days that they want to work during their field week. This will allow parents to sign-up and work for a day and time that fits their schedules. Please see Jamie or Charlie with any questions.

We placed an ad in 6 local papers. We are slowly adding umpires to the list to work. Chad will need to hold an umpire meeting. Time and place will be announced soon.

Dan Vivian discussed a matter that arose during the draft with a player pick.

I had to leave- if anything needs added to the minutes-please let me know. I will make sure to add them before the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 by: **1<sup>st</sup> Ron Brown 2<sup>nd</sup> Sam Amenti**