

**Minutes of Department of NH Baseball Committee
Meeting of November 8, 2020
at Hudson Post 48**

Attendees: Rick Harvey, Jim Blake, Pete St. Pierre, Brian LaVeille, Bill Roy, Gary Noyes, Steve Hernandez, Wayne Perra, Mike Henzley, Jeremy Hinton

Chairman Rick Harvey called the meeting to order at 9:40 and attendees said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the previous meeting on March 8 were reviewed and accepted.

Baseball Committee updates:

- Jay Hunnewell and Ron Lemay have retired from the committee.
- John Bly (Concord Post 21) and Brian LaVeille (Sweeney Post 2) were appointed to the committee by the Department Commander at the request of Chairman Harvey.
- Brian also accepted the position of District B Director.
- Jim Blake was appointed as Vice Chairman.
- Gary Noyes will also join the committee and assist Steve Drescher with all umpire matters.

New Teams were accepted as follows:

- Hudson and Bedford into the Prep League bringing the total to 6 teams.
- Derry and Weare into Junior Legion and assigned to District A with Londonderry bringing back its Junior team and assigned to District B.
- Hudson into Senior Legion and assigned to District B.

Dates for 2021 Season: If the NH High School baseball dates remain the same, our proposed **regular season dates** will be:

- Senior from Monday, June 14, through Saturday, July 17
- Junior from Monday, June 14, through Saturday, July 24
- Prep from Sunday, May 2, through Friday, July 2

Legion Baseball Showcase will be on Tuesday, July 20, from 2:00-8:00 at Gill Stadium (hopefully). To be hosted by the Legion Baseball Committee.

Legion Prep Tournament from Sunday, July 11, through Tuesday, July 13, at Gill Stadium (hopefully). To be hosted by the Legion Baseball Committee.

Legion Senior State Tournament from Friday, July 23, through Tuesday, July 27 (rain dates July 28 and 29) with host TBA (likely Frank Ulcickas and Nashua hosting at Holman Stadium).

Legion Junior State Tournament from Friday, July 30, through Tuesday, August 3 (rain dates August 4 and 5). If no bid is received, it will be hosted by the Legion Baseball Committee at Gill Stadium (hopefully).

Junior Regional Tournament is uncertain at this time.

Sexual Abuse and Awareness Training: it is MANDATORY that ALL volunteers with our Legion Baseball Program undergo a 90-minute video training course provided by either USA Baseball or Protect Youth Sports. The session will satisfy the legal requirement for a two-year period. Those who took it last year and forwarded their certificates to Chairman Rick are good until 2022. ANY VOLUNTEER WHO DOES NOT UNDERGO THIS TRAINING CANNOT PARTICIPATE IN LEGION BASEBALL.

Background Checks: Steve Hernandez is continuing with being the administrator of our Background Check process. They continue to be required every year.

Roster Deadline for all online rosters to be completed is now a **hard date of June 25** every year.

Umpire Update: Gary Noyes mentioned that fees in 2021 will be those that were approved last year.

Rule Books: we will use the 2020 rulebook as new ones will not be printed for 2021.

NH Directory will be available online only and a small version of **NH Rules** will be printed.

Junior Tournament Director: still hoping to bring one onboard.

Other Business:

- Bill Roy made note that Gary Wayman is available to help with our website including providing score updates.
- Chairman Rick emphasized strongly that **we will have a Department of New Hampshire baseball season** in the event that National does not.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.

Respectfully Submitted: Jim Blake, Vice Chairman