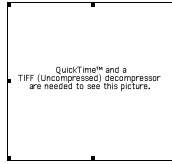


LOS ALAMITOS BASEBALL BOOSTER CLUB

Minutes of Thursday, April 16, 2009 Room 153

1. **Welcome:** Todd D'Angelis opened the meeting at 7:07 PM.
2. **Old Business:**
 - A. Approval of April 2009 minutes by Steve Hyman, seconded by Mike Schroeder.
3. **New Business:**
 - A. The **Treasurer's Report** was given by Darin Minter, updated through April 13th. The overall picture is that we are struggling to break even by the end of the year. The LABBC tax extension has been filed. Our accountant recommends simplifying the player accounts structure; we have the most complicated player accounts system of the Los Al booster groups that she seen. The income and expense report covered revenue projected from remaining player dues, snack shack sales, Griffin Gear sales, **DVD sales, banquet ticket sales, Car Wash tickets,** and recycled newspapers. Estimated expenses still to be paid include banquet balance, DVD fees, coach stipends, field maintenance, busing, and other budgeted categories. More sold banners have given the income a boost, and the Snack Shack profits have been strong and steady, but we are "upside down" in DVD sales. **More DVD sales & Banquet ticket sales will have an enormous impact on whether we reach "black" by the end of the school year.**
 - B. For **DVDs** of the 2009 season, all remaining **orders** still go to Mike Godoy. We have 16 more DVDs to sell before we break even, as our provider works on a flat rate basis. The DVD is a **one-hour highlights** sequence with time for each team, including every player. Mike is still collecting Senior pictures for the banquet.
 - C. The **LABBC Website** is the source for all scheduling updates including time changes, rainouts, or any other change.
 - D. **Banquet** -Alta Heacock distributed amazing Banquet Invitations handmade by Shari Cortez (!*). Alta gave remaining tickets to team volunteers to distribute to those parents who were not present. Steve Hockwald took the remaining Freshmen tickets, Alta took the Varsity, Shari took the JVs. **Banquet is May 23rd.** Players' tickets are covered by the Boosters, but all family members, friends, and baseball fans are welcome to purchase tickets for \$40 each. RSVPs are due by May 5th including ticket purchase. A box for RSVP envelopes will be in the Snack Shack, and Shari and Alta will be collecting at the May booster meeting. **PLEASE BUY tickets & DVDs so we can balance our books! Checks only.**
Senior Poster Making Sat. May 2nd at Rossmoor Library.
4. **Fund Raising**
 - A. **Banners** - Todd announced for Chuck Lawhon that we now have 36 banners sold and counting. Butch Sanders again outsold all other comers. Thanks to all for hard work selling in a challenging economic climate.
 - B. **Paper Drive** - Matt Lorenzini reported on successful March collection, encouraging more families to bring their own print recyclables. **BIG THANKS** to Joey Uyetake, Cory Cortez, Mike Katz, and the Ivisons for substituting for their players who were at games. The next Collection



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is scheduled for **May 30th**. Check the website for players responsible.

- C. **Car Wash** – Richard Nighswonger thanked all for buying the discounted car washes that yield a \$5 profit for us and encouraged people to give their unused tickets to likely customers. **The last day to cash in on Rossmoor Carwash coupons is April 30th!!!** Extra coupons were distributed to some families.
 - D. **Snack Shack** – Todd thanked Shari Mestrin for her ongoing work with snack shack. **Donations of water, sport drinks, and candy** will boost our profit margin. The SNACK SHACK will operate all summer during American Legion games.
 - E. **Griffin Gear** still needs to be sold! It has been purchased and the inventory can still bring in **needed revenue** before the end of the year.
 - F. **JoAnn Springer** distributed a list of **Volunteer Positions** for the coming Griffin year and asked people to match jobs with their interests and get back to her with questions, suggestions, and signups: **562-833-1527** or jospringer@roadrunner.com. She also made the first announcement about a **Summer Wine Tasting fundraiser in July**.
 - G. **Josh Feldman** of **Armada Baseball** presented **new fundraising opportunities** offered by this local professional baseball program run out of **Blair Field in Long Beach**. Among the variety of money-making options is having a designated Griffin Baseball night at one of the 44 Armada home games. We would sell tickets on consignment for 50% of the \$8 General Admission price. This would be a straight profit money maker, as Armada Baseball would buy back any unsold tickets. We can also conduct a silent auction, including announcing the game (!), bat boys & girls, and other such items. A note was added that \$2 beers will be sold at Thursday night games before 7 PM to enhance convivial baseball viewing, as long as fans prepare for a safe drive home.
7. **Coach Clabough**
- A. Coach updated us on recent Griffin highlights, such 2 home runs by 2 senior pinch hitters against Newport Harbor. He recounted John Millar’s story about imagining hitting over the fence. The other “see ya” knock was by Kevin McGougan.
 - B. **Summer ball** will be outlined soon. **Check for emails** on this important topic. Coach will “pare things down” as far as rosters of continuing players are concerned, aiming for 45-46 or so. Coach added that he would try to work with players for their first 2 years in the program, and then make the most roster changes after the 2-year mark. The two summer American Legion teams will play approximately 30 games.
 - C. **Coach thanked parents for “everything they do” to support Griffin Baseball**, including maintaining a positive, supportive climate for their players. Parents’ support of their sons and the coaches has enormous value.
9. **Next Meeting** – Tues, May 5th. Movement to adjourn by Steve Hyman and Steve Hockwald.