

Monthly Bruins Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 8, 2018

Call to Order – Dan Nakauchi for Debbie Okihara

- Dan called meeting to order at 6:40pm (while Debbie is out sick).

Reading / Approval of Minutes / Introductions

- Dan requested a review of meeting minutes from April and motioned for approval. Bentley Soo Hoo & Shellie Lee approved.
- The new Kindergarten reps introduced themselves.

Financial Report – Tracey Jue (not present)

- Tabled but a financial summary was handed out: April starting balance as of 4/1/18 was **\$38,852.63** and closing balance as of 4/30/18 was **\$49,393.13**.

CYC Report – Brett Yoshimura

- **CYC Summer league**
 - Dates are 5/13, 5/20, 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24.
 - **PWK teams:** Games will be at Wilson High School the first week only.
 - **All teams:** Please remember to doublecheck schedules as late as the night before to make sure location and game time have not changed. Sometimes gyms are closed at the last minute and things need to get shifted around. Sometimes Brett is notified of changes and will let you know; sometimes he's not. If you happen to notice a change, make sure to notify all the families on your team.
 - Rules are more lax in the summer compared to Winter League. Players do not have to play a mandatory minimum # of games. If you're short players, you can borrow players, typically from teams before/after, to avoid forfeit. For Winter League teams must follow rules to the letter.
 - There was a question raised about Esteban Torres High School's location. Address is 4211 Dozier St., Los Angeles, CA 90063. The parking garage is located under the gym, walk up the stairs and it will be to your right. Please also note that the small gym has no seating, so you should bring your own chairs.
- **Jets/Jetts Tournament (7/21-7/22)**
 - Open to all teams starting @Kindergarten. Let Brett know if your team is interested in participating.

IAO Report – Kimi Suehiro

- Summer is being cancelled due to not enough teams.
- Prep league is taking this Sunday off but season is being extended and games will shift 1 week.

OLD BUSINESS

- **5K Update:**
 - Event is this Saturday, 5/12. Arrive by 7:45am.
 - **Waivers:** They were due at last month's meeting but it's ok to fill out and bring to the event.
- **The Stand Restaurant fundraiser** - Dates are Saturday, May 12th and Sunday, May 13th 11am-9pm,
 - Informational flyers were passed out at the meeting. If participating, make sure your cashier acknowledges that your purchase is for the Bruins Fundraiser.
- **Background Checks:**
 - Process will start soon.
 - Coaches and assistants will receive a link to start the process.
 - Bruins will cover fees for up to 2 coaches. If you have more than 2 coaches, the team will be responsible for paying for additional checks at \$32 each.
 - Debbie will send separate emails to the teams with more than 2 coaches and provide payment instructions.
- **Bruins Tournament**
 - **Coed (open to 5th thru 12th)/Men/Women/Masters (>40)** dates are August 18-19, 2018. Fee is \$450.
 - Space is AVAILABLE. Register online on the Bruins website under the "Tournament" tab.
 - **Youth/Prep** dates are August 25-26, 2018 (open to all 2nd-12th grade teams, boys & girls).
 - **General info:**
 - ◆ All eligible Bruins teams are required to play in the tournament.
 - ◆ Bruin teams do NOT need to submit player registrations or tournament fee.
 - ◆ Required elements:
 - ✓ Roster (*formatted in MS WORD format*), available on the Bruins website & emailed to your division coordinator. **DEADLINE: June 30th**; for roster change(s), July 15th.
 - ✓ \$500 worth of sponsorship ads – **DEADLINE: June 1st**. Online registration is available and payment can be made online or by check. *If your team chooses not to solicit sponsors, you are still on the hook for \$500. Let Debbie know immediately so she can keep track.
 - ◆ 3 guaranteed games: 2 on Saturday, 1 on Sunday. Awards limited to 10 per team.
 - ◆ All registration forms--including for coed, sponsorship ads, etc--are available online at <http://www.pasadenabruins.org/tournament.html>
 - **Tournament Book / Team Page** - Fulfilling your \$500 requirement earns you a team page. Please send Debbie artwork that is camera-ready, in **PDF** format. **DEADLINE: June 1st**.

CURRENT / NEW BUSINESS:

- **PBT Chicken Teriyaki Takeout is Sat. May 19th**
 - Gym closures: Friday, May, 18th (after table set-up) and ALL DAY 5/19/day of event.
 - Lead chair: Thunder II (Rikako Saito). Teams should have received an email from Rikako about volunteer shifts and provided volunteers' names/contact info.
 - The following teams still need to provide volunteers: **7th Lighting, 7th Rockets, 8th Rule, 8th Defenders, 8th Hoop Stars, and 9th Dragonflies.** Please email volunteer names and cell numbers to saitorikako@gmail.com.

** Note about PBT events: The Bruins are not affiliated with the Buddhist Church but have an agreement with them to use their facilities at a reasonable price in exchange for help with their fundraising events. The church has a membership consisting primarily of the elderly, and they're declining. The Bruins operate under the flag of the Pasadena Japanese Cultural Center on Lincoln.*

- **PBT Obon – July 21-22, 2018. Sat. 4-9pm, Sun. 4-8:30pm.** Lead Chair: Hoop Stars (Eddie Chan/Val Uyeda) Assistant: Thunder IV (Sonia Yagura). Sharon Lee is the PBT point person and will be sending out volunteer shifts and instructions.
 - **Game Booths** - PBT is looking for teams to do a game booth. You can come up with your own game or see what games the church has available. Please e-mail Sharon Lee at sarklee1@yahoo.com and cc: Debbie Okihara by **May 21st** if you are interested. If your team decides to have a booth, it would be in lieu of working a separate volunteer shift.
NOTE: the booth will need to be open during all Obon hours.
 - 100% of the money raised goes to your team.
 - The Jetts/Jets tournament conflicts with Obon. If your team is planning to participate, please let Debbie know asap so she can accommodate your volunteer shift.
 - NO food booths this year due to strict/prohibitive city health code issues.
- **JETTS/JETS Tournament – Registration Deadline: May 27th.** Need to let Debbie know by 5/21 if participating so she can assign work shifts accordingly.
 - This tournament is a very laid back tournament. They don't require your league roster per se. You can pick up non-rostered players and they are usually pretty accommodating.
- **COED T-shirt Contest – DEADLINE August 13th.**
 - Contest criteria is posted on the Bruins website under the tournament tab. Kids (vs parents) should take lead on design, with points for creativity and originality versus professional look.
 - Top 3 submissions win championship Tshirts.
 - <http://www.pasadenabruins.org/assets/2018-co-ed-t-shirt-contest-flyer.pdf>
- **VFW Tournament – October 19-21, 2018.** www.vfwyouth.org
 - Cost: \$400; Registration DEADLINE is August 31, 2018.
 - Games most likely in Orange County, e.g. Garden Grove with possibility of a Friday night game.
 - 3rd through 12th grade
 - **The tournament is the same weekend as PBT Gourmet Dinner. Please email Debbie by 8/1 if your team plans to participate in this tournament.**
- **San Fernando Pee Wee League** -- Pre-K to 1st grade (4 games), girls and boys and/or coed.
 - Dan met with new Pee Wee reps after the General Meeting.
 - Debbie will email info to the new reps.

UPCOMING EVENTS? / DEADLINES

5/12	5K Bruin Run/Walk
5/12-5/13	The Stand Restaurant Fundraiser (flyer is posted on the Bruins homepage)
5/18	PBT Gym closed starting 8pm
5/19	PBT Chicken Teriyaki Takeout fundraiser – GYM CLOSED ALL DAY
5/21	DEADLINE: Obon booth request/commitment due
5/26-5/28	Tiger Tournament
6/1	DEADLINE: Tournament book - Sponsorship ads due
6/15	DEADLINE: Tournament book - Team page artwork due
7/21-7/22	PBT OBON
7/21-7/22	Jetts/Jets tournament
8/4-8/5	Hollywood Dodgers Las Vegas Tournament
8/11-12	Nikkei Games 3-on-3 Tournament
8/18-8/19	Bruin Co-ed/Adult/Masters Tournament
8/25-8/24	Bruin Youth/Prep tournament
8/31	DEADLINE: Commitment/Registration for VFW Tournament (tourney dates 10/19-10/21)

Meeting adjourned 7:10 pm

NEXT General Meeting: Tuesday, June 12 @ 6:30pm, PBT

Division Coordinator Meeting: Tuesday, June 12 @7pm, PBT (immediately following General Meeting)