

**Little League Baseball & Softball, Inc.**

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# Washington District 9

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## Leagues:

Bellevue West - Mercer Island - Bellevue East - Falls - Bellevue Thunderbird - Snoqualmie Valley - Kirkland American - Kirkland National  
Sammamish - Issaquah - Redmond North - Sno-Valley North - Eastlake - Redmond West

## District 9 Meeting Minutes

Dec. 13, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm.

Copies of the meeting agenda were distributed.

### Hand outs:

District 9 items due District matrix  
Meeting agenda

**Visitor:** Greg Chapman from Pro-Time Sports, gave a short presentation about his company's many uniform options.

### Minutes:

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

### Treasurer's Report:

The emergency fund is \$9,202.55  
The checking fund is \$25,552.99  
The treasurer's report was approved.

### New Business:

The DA went over the items due District , and urged all presidents to work on submitting all items in a timely manner. Local league rules should be sent to the DA. Safety plans should be submitted soon.

The DA discussed the problem with scheduling some of our tournaments too late in the season. He has reassessed the tournament schedule to provide some time for teams to clear their pitching rosters, and provide for more travel time.

District baseball tournament tentative start dates will be as follows:

9/10 BB

June 22 or 29

11 BB	BTLL	June 22 or 29
Maj. BB	ILL	June 29 (set)
Jr. BB	Hartman	June 29
Sr. BB	Hartman	July 6
50/70 BB		TBD

\*All-star team announcements may be made 14 days before the start of the District tournament for each level of play.

Boundary maps on record were passed out for the president's perusal.

Tonya has sent out fliers about Mariner's Day. It is advised that you get your orders in early.

John reported that rules have been discussed, and all leagues need to decide whether they want to support a Jr. 80' or a 50/70 program. There are also decisions to be made about the age groups each league wants to involve into its 50/70 program, if that is what they choose.

50/70 program fields will be allowed to use artificial mounds.

Big league BB players are being organized by the Redmond LL. Contact John if you have any Senior BB players who want to be on a team.

John will be holding a meeting for league VP's on January 14, 2013 to discuss all of these programs.

**Softball:**

Janice Christensen reported on her meeting with league VPs. There is some interest in a fall softball program since some Jr. Hi schools have dropped their softball programs.

We will have a Mid-season tournament on the weekend of May 17, if suitable fields can be obtained.

All-star softball District Tournament tentative dates are as follows:

9/10, 10/11	KALL	June 29 (teams could be announced on 6/15)
Majors	KALL	June 19 (teams could be announced on 6/5)
Jr.		July 6 or 7

We are hosting the State 10/11 softball tournament on July 13.

**Umpires:**

Chad Christensen reported that there is a real need for more volunteer umpires. The District provides excellent training free of charge. There is training for beginning, intermediate, and experienced umpires including both baseball and softball. Presidents are encouraged to give this information to any interested volunteers.

Jr. softball pitching distance has been changed to 43' this year.

We will be hosting a Western Region Umpire Clinic again this year. The location to be announced.

**Misc. Items from the floor:**

There is a plan to hold a Memorial Day Tournament this year as a Scholarship fund raiser to honor the memory of Jackson Roos, the Redmond LL player who tragically lost his life

recently. The tournament would be held at Hartman Park for Major baseball teams. Details to be released later.

An inquiry made about the District ordering baseballs for all of the leagues, to take advantage of bulk pricing. The DA replied that he could arrange that, only if the leagues could agree to accept one brand of baseball. Presidents are to decide if this would work for them.

**Next Meeting:**

January 10, 7pm

**Attendees:**

League Presidents / Representatives

Redmond North	JD Klein
Snoqualmie Valley	Roy Baunsgard
Issaquah	Tom Chan
Redmond West	Dan Holmen
Eastlake	Matt Fitzgibbons
Bellevue Thunderbird	Mark Gardner
Mercer Island	Chad Rowe
Bellevue West	Carl Hellings
Kirkland American	John Rudolf
Bellevue East	Terry Taylor
Kirkland National	Kristin Adams

District Staff

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