

**Lanco Meeting Minutes January 13, 2008**  
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**The following Organization were present at the meeting**

Cocalico, Manor Ridge, Octorara, OLA, PV, St Leo's, Warwick, LCHS, Solanco, Lancaster Rec, ELCO, CV, SWS, Solanco – (New Program)

**Officers Present**

Dave Howard – Pres

Dan Jones – VP

Paul Williams – Treasurer

Franc Genoese – Secretary

Maggie Feld – Umpire Scheduler

**Minutes**

- Treasurer's Report - Report distributed, reviewed and approved. (1<sup>st</sup>-Scott Steiner, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Maggie Feld)
- Secretary's Report – Report was reviewed and approved. (1<sup>st</sup> – Mike Arment, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Scott Steiner)
- Review of Bylaw Changes – there were no proposed changes to the current bylaws.
- New Association Member – Joe Pittman was present from a new Solanco association. They have not established a team name yet, but are interested in joining LANCO.
- Tournament Protocol – The current playoff process was reviewed for possible changes to encourage participation and the completion of make-up games.

It was agreed that we would again hold playoffs for both Gold and Diamond levels for U12 and U14.

U12 – playoffs will start on 6/22/09 and be completed before 7/4/09. In order to allow sufficient make up time, it was agreed that some Friday games would be incorporated during the regular season. The regular season will be completed by 6/12/09, which will allow the week of 6/15/09 to be used for make up games. The regular season will begin the first week of May.

U14 – the same changes will apply to U14.

- U10 Season Format and Other Issues
  - Should we add playoffs or a tournament to this level?

It was agreed that a mid-season Saturday/Sunday tournament should be added to U10. It will tentatively be held the weekend after Memorial Day, 5/30-31/09.

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**The format and specifics will be discussed at the next meeting, such as location, the awarding of trophies/medallions, tournament fee, etc.**

The question was asked if it would be okay to consolidate teams from the same program in order to field a team for the tournament. (ie. Two U10 teams from program X don't have enough girls within one of the teams available to play that weekend. Can they consolidate the two teams to make up a participating team?) - It was agreed that this would be okay as long as both teams were from the same program and all girls were previously rostered with LANCO for the season.

### Other Discussion

- Questions
  - *Scott Steiner reported that a number of U10 teams attempt to stop games prematurely when the other team reaches a 10 run surplus.*

This is clearly covered by the rules. If the coaches cannot reach agreement on how they will play, it should be brought to the attention of one of the league officers. They will in turn report it to the association head for the offending team.

- *Mark Carter asked if it was acceptable to redistribute girls during the season between teams within the same association, for purposes of balancing talent.*

Generally, this would be acceptable as long as players from a Gold level are not moved to a Diamond level. It was agreed, however, that further review of the rules was necessary. **This will be discussed in February.**

- *Franc Genoese asked if it was okay for a new player, Amanda Coons, to transfer from the Manor Ridge association to St. Leos. She plans to play for Lancaster Catholic after this year.*

A vote was taken and it was approved. (1<sup>st</sup>-Mark Carter, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Dave Sharp)

- U8 Rules – should we allow hitting off a tee after attempting a coaches pitching?

It was agreed that we could add this, but we'll have to consider how many pitches or swings should be allowed. **This will be discussed at the next meeting.**

- Fall Ball – Should we consider playing 1 game of 6/7 innings rather than 2-90 minute games?

It was agreed to stay with the current two-game format.

- ASA Registration – there are two ways to register:
  - On line registration with ASA includes insurance – approximately \$7/girl
  - Direct with LANCO - \$15 – no insurance provided

Next Meeting Discussion

1. Budget discussions – Umpire fees, registration, etc.
2. U10 Tournament Logistics
3. Answer Mark Carter's talent redistribution question
4. U8 tee use – number of swings/pitches

THE NEXT LANCO MEETING WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2009 AT ST. LEO'S CHURCH (ROOM 2)