



Dear Parent:

Your Board of Directors has worked hard during the past few months dealing with some budget issues from last year. You were notified of these issues by e-mail and in the flyer sent with the Registration form. This has been an evolving process and we want you to be fully aware of the changes that have been made. So we have a mutual understanding of what to expect. Please take a few minutes and review the following information and sign this form as a statement of your understanding.

The Situation:

- 2008 income was \$9000 short of expenses after one time non-recurring income was deducted.
- Our league (GEJFA) requires that each player have two jerseys this year; this cost about \$11,000 at 200 players. We are able to partially offset this with income set aside during the past few years for this purpose.
- Our enrollment has diminished over the past two years raising the overhead cost of each player

The combination of these factors led to the following decisions.

- We have raised the registration fee \$20 to \$260 – despite the increase our fees remain in line with other GEJFA members
- Our fees have always been based on the premise that every player will raise a minimum of \$50.00 in the Fund Raiser. This is a major issue; we reviewed our records from last year and found that only 60% of the players participated. This caused a major part of our short fall and in the opinion of the Board is unfair to those that did their part. To this end we will be moving to a different fundraiser format compared to the past years and , participation in the fund raiser is now a requirement of participation – Families electing to not participate – may buy out the \$50 requirement
- We will purchase two high quality jerseys for each participant. No names will be placed on jerseys and they remain the property of the system at the end of the year. Jerseys may be purchased at the end of the season at a cost of \$50. A player may also earn their jersey by raising an additional \$50 in the fund raiser.
- We have scrubbed our budget and eliminated discretionary spending that does not impact the quality in the program.

We are doing everything possible to hold down cost without jeopardizing quality. We will review our circumstances at the end of the season and adjust our fees based on this year's experience. If you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact myself or other Board members. Billie Hartline – President – billiehartline@hotmail.com – 206-898-9021

Parent Signature

Date

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