

SABSA Board Meeting Minutes
September 18, 2018
St. Anthony Village Pub – Restaurant side

Attendees: Al Bates, Scott McCleary, Teresa Turner, Natalie Dougherty, Lora Kohan, Danielle Bogucki, Erik Lindgren

The meeting was called to order by President Al Bates at 6:37pm.

Al expressed a goal of finishing the meeting by 8:30.

Approval of prior meeting's Minutes:

Danielle moved, to approve the Minutes of August 6; Al seconded. The Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Reporting has been received from Sports Boosters Treasurer Hal Gray. Our 'Bank Balance' as of August 31st was \$17, 859.54. This puts us +2,367.33 on the year, so far.

Al expressed interest in being able to do our own, perhaps more timely reporting, especially during our season, and suggested looking into purchasing software for our own ongoing tracking, balancing back to the Boosters reports. The consensus was that Al could pursue purchasing accounting software, within a limit of \$200.

President's Update:

Al has yet to meet with Lamar about C squad players participating in 12U tournaments.

Al spoke with Troy about the biffy staying at Palm Porch through July with SABSA picking up the extra expense, and Troy is fine with that. We just have to figure out how/who we will pay for the extra time.

On behalf of SABSA, Al declined a request to donate to Wilshire Park's Fall Fest, as per the Board's decision that donating to good causes is not one of our purposes, and that one 501c3 giving to another does not make sense.

The Parents' Survey of Coaches results were shared with the Board, in an "overall view". Al will review the results "by Coach" and try to come up with an appropriate way to share that information for the next meeting.

Al attended the Sports Boosters meeting and reported back that the money that the Northeast Lions take in from pull tabs will go into a community fund to be used for scholarships for families in need of help for sport registration fees. These funds should be able to be used for the “non-SABSA-scholarship half” of our registration fees. In addition, the Boosters Board is considering offering a ‘student leader’ internship position.

Director of Player and Coach Development’s Report:

- Erik took the lead on the recent Pitching Clinic.
- Pitching & Catching clinics for St. Anthony Players.
- After Fall Ball, should we do a Catching Clinic?
- Interest in subsidizing another Pitching Clinic for youngest Pitchers. Coaches of the youngest teams are expressing a need.
- Erik brought up interest in a Hitting Clinic in January. This was tabled until the new gym at Wilshire Park is finished.
- Danielle & Al will follow up with resources to get some Clinics on the calendar in the winter.

Coaches’ Update:

(none)

Coordinators Updates:

Equipment:

We need to purchase bases for the fields, among the needs are two new 1st bases with safety base.

After Fall Ball teams do equipment returns there will be another reorganization of the current equipment, and we will have a better understanding of what our needs might be for the following season.

Fields:

Pat will serve as the (outside) Fields Coordinator for 2019. Tom Kukendall will be in charge of setting up any inside practice times that may come up.

Umpires:

We need to find a coordinator.

Spirit Wear & Online Store:

Erik is looking into a limited run for the holidays, potentially including hoodies, blankets, a zip-up hoodie. He is currently working with Dave's but will also look into the possibility of using other vendors.

Uniforms:

We will have socks for purchase at Evaluations.

8U will be using plain black pants; as opposed to selling pants, we will provide direction for the parents as to what pants to purchase.

This year, 8U Players will receive the new Shirts that 6U got last season (for players that don't already have the new Shirts).

It was suggested that we should have Players whose new Fastpitch Jerseys have printing issues bring their Jerseys to Evaluations, and we could take them all to Dave's at one time to be fixed.

Fundraising:

We need a Fundraiser Coordinator.

Andrew will look into a Corporate Sponsors program for next season. Anyone with ideas please get in touch with Andrew.

HDC Liaison:

Scott reported that Fall Ball is underway and going well. The season ends in 2 weeks for 10U and older, and wraps up on October 7th for 8U.

Scott will be finalizing the HDC Helmet Fundraiser. The expectation is for helmets to be offered for sale in the ~\$40 price range, and have samples available in a variety of sizes at Evaluations for ordering. He will figure out timing with the supplier, and will see if it would be possible for them to be available for the holiday season.

Old Business:

- Al will write up a generic conflict of interest clause and bring it to the next meeting for consideration of adding it to the by-laws.
- We may also address a proposal of when a meeting should be closed and when it should be open.

- There was discussion about possibly moving up Evaluations and Registration Closing time line, due to Spring Break being early in 2019 and Boosters Girls State Basketball being the weekend of Mar 2-3, which would be the 'default' date for Evaluations, relative to Spring Break. Further discussion was tabled to the next meeting.
- There was discussion about potentially moving up the Coach Selection process, or perhaps 'pre-qualification' to the fall, or maybe into February, with interested Head Coach candidates needing to register by the end of January. Further discussion was tabled to the next meeting.
- There was discussion about when Board Meetings should be closed, including the appropriateness of voting in closed meetings. Al offered to wordsmith a proposal to bring to the next meeting, and further discussion was tabled, pending receipt of the proposal.
- Danielle offered to send out a survey to this year's coaches to find out what kinds of assistance they may need in the future.
- Discussion about clinic subsidy payments indicated that we believe these have been completed, except the last Pitching Clinics. Erik and Al will follow up.
- As Karl Pollard was not at the meeting, there was not a report from Karl's team about their participation in a Nationals tournament.
- A discussion about subsidizing Coaches attendance to Coaching Clinics was tabled. It was suggested we come up with a list of ideas/potential clinics.
- Discussion about a designated 'pickup spot' at the end of the Villagefest Parade was tabled until planning for the 2019 parade starts.
- Discussion about an Ice Cream Social in 2019 was tabled to a future meeting.
- Discussion about an End-of-the-Year Party indicated we would be looking for someone to take on this event.

Next Meeting: Monday, October 22nd at 6:30 pm at the Village Pub, restaurant side.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Natalie Dougherty, Secretary & Al Bates, President