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Berlin Youth Baseball Softball Minutes

Meeting: second this month

Date July 31, 2025

Location: on Broadway

Meeting start time 6:30 PM

1. Called to order 6:37 PM by Micky.
2. Rollcall Justin and Michael were excused; Coach Kramer was in attendance.
3. Membership input
  - Field availability, especially if the boy minor teams leaves the ripon league
  - Also, just something to remind coaches to be considerate of their field time. An idea was given to maybe sending an email with the field you schedule to everyone as it changes or maybe even a weekly email.
  - Also, we want to remind our coaches that foul language on the field is not tolerated.
  - Coach Kramer also mentioned that he discussed with Andy from the city about the differences between definitely nobody on the field, versus he won't have time to drag or chalk the field after a certain time.
4. Correspondence - none
5. Discussion
  1. Tournament team for 2026 discussion
    - Jared spoke up about BYBS having C level teams based on the pool of players that we get our teams from. It seemed that everyone agreed with this.
  2. Tournament team tryout
    - Jared made a motion and Casey seconded that we would use the same format of tryouts from last year on September 4 and September 6 of this year. This passed.
    - Jared also thought maybe the high school boys would like to help with tryout.
  3. Tournament team Coaches
    - We will put feelers out immediately as to who would like to coach teams next year with the thought in mind that they will be a C level team.
  4. Baseball tournament date for 2026
    - boys May 15 16th and 17th
  5. Softball tournament date for 2026
    - June 26 27th and 28th
  6. Quick Farmers Market Review
    - 50 out of 132 burgers left
    - 50 out of 100 brats left
    - 24 out of 50 hotdog left
    - Balloon toss brought in \$37- definitely could do better with advertising, but it was fun on a hot day
    - Tip jar brought in \$65.10
    - til had an even \$700 after we removed the initial 200 that we began with
    - Bringing in a total of \$802.10. Reimbursing carry for the meat total earned was \$723.70.
    - 2024 notes stated we brought in \$1200 with a menu of brisket.
  7. Equipment Return/Inventory
    - I have sent an email out to coaches asking for bags and keys to be returned to the Miller front porch. Justin and I will then do inventory before we put it back in the shed.
  8. Key Return

- along with big inventory were doing key return. Keys should be returned in my mailbox in an envelope with coaches name on it.
9. Checking Account Balance balance- \$29,239.86
10. Big project
- coach Kramer had put in the idea of a three wheeler to help with infield, dragging, especially if the city is allowing us to drag the fields before games.
  - Coach Kramer also said that a nice gift at the banquet for kids who have participated for so many years might be a good way to spend money
  - Scoreboards and mounds were mentioned again
  - We did talk about a fence for Klein field however, with the high school girls purchasing a new mesh fence (that we contributed to) they are willing to put the old fence up on Klein for us for the summer.
  - Upgrade the bleachers- please notice that the city is starting to upgrade those bleachers to aluminum bleachers. However, we could reach out to the city to offer when they do that that maybe we would pay for the additional upgrade to get the baby covered bleachers.
  - Scholarships for clinics that kids participate in
  - Team canopies
  - And one that is high in our to do list would be to level the outfields with black dirt.
  - Now that the season is over, we did say that we need to replace balls. Jared made a motion that I could spend up to \$1000 on balls during the off-season and Casey seconded. That passed. In addition to that purchase, we had previously discussed and approved the purchase of sliding mats and armbands. It looks like we decided to get enough sliding mats for one to go to each senior team and tournament team +2 more for the shed. Arm bands we're only getting enough for the senior girls team.

#### 6. Board Member Updates

Jared wanted to put the idea of the high school team making requests for projects that BYBS might have an interest in such as new covers for home plate in the pitching mound since we use the field as well. In very little discussion, we said that we would absolutely consider request from the high school boys team regarding projects that would also be a benefit to BYBS.

It was also brought up that we definitely need to do our rummage sale weekend brat fry - Frank's corner or possibly Domino's parking lot.

#### 7. Future Agenda Items/Meeting

Wednesday, August 20 at 6:30 PM

#### 8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:10 PM by Jared and Kari seconded. This was approved.

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