



Ashwaubenon Youth Baseball (AYB)

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2024, Call to order: 6:34pm

Location: Ashwaubenon Community Center

[AYB Website](#)

Attendees (board members & guests / shaded not in attendance): Adam Lasee, Ashley Owen-Hill, Ben Perry, Brock Ploederl, Chad Pfarr, Craig Calton, David Roehrig, Don Aregoni, Donovan Miller, Heather Anderson, Jared Lemon, Jason Hill, Joe Richter, John Hurd, John Sperber, John Wendricks, Julie Monfils, Kyle Casper, Kyle Ehrfurth, Mindy Casper, Nathan Jeske, Paul Blasczyk, Tom Meersman, James Ketting, Ella Senger

Approval of last two month's meeting minutes: Motion: Kyle Casper 2nd: Adam Lasse

Field 4 PCM Signage (John Hurd): John showed example of a wind screen for naming of field 4. Put plaque on the backstop and then wind screen across the outfield fence (16' sections). Great response from the group in attendance. Rex shared a few concerns about wind screens. Parks & Rec will not maintain the screen, put up or take down either. Next step is to go to Village Park & Rec Board Meeting for village approval. Cost is \$7,500 for material and print. \$40k was for naming rights of the field. Field cost \$54k to resurface. Request to put up a state championship for legion 2023. Adam L. will present at the Parks/Rec meeting on March 19 at 6pm. Motion to approve: Nathan Jeske 2nd Ben Perry.

High School team will be putting up batting cage nets at Klipstine and Ashwaubomay. Looking for helpers. 3pm at Klipstine – bring ladder. Paul wants to use Klipstine. Need to make sure we are all coordinating times.

Ashley: HS team making pizzas on Sunday for fundraiser.

Tournament Director/Operations Manager Positions:

Agenda	Notes/Actions
TREASURER John Sperber	February 20 credits from sports engine. 18 came from sports engine registrations. 2 others from the Ed Kochmar money (4,835) that came in. 2 debits – one was for the 10u tournament team reimbursed. Other was for the raffle license. Few more tournament team reimbursements in month of march. Also wrote check to brock for the medical supply kit. Donovan has the medical supply equipment. Money from fundraiser was given to John.

<p>PRESIDENT Donovan Miller</p>	<p>Donovan had long, multiple conversations with Joanne Kochmar. Spoke about ideas – maybe concession stand. Not enough money. Talked about batting cages – good with that. Anything left, if we could help out under privileged kids- who did not have the funds to play baseball. Create a financial assistance fund – registration and equipment. 2 cages less than 10k because poles would be shared between the two. Earmark ed’s money to go towards cages at Klipstine. Need to start looking at replacing nets – some have shrunk and leave a gap. Motion to get Kyle second by Ashley – to get Klipstine windscreen and batting cages. All in favor.</p> <p>Have candidate for tournament director position – James Ketting. From Ashwaubenon, background in IT. Motion to approve: Ben Perry and second by Kyle Ehrfurth. All in favor. Donovan will get James Don’s info.</p> <p>Operations manager: Ella Senger will work concessions for this summer. Ashwaubenon senior – played three sports. Will have the ability to try new things out. Has helped with Ashwaubenon concessions at the high school. Social media experience. Sound system. Ella will report to Donovan and Ashley.</p> <p>Will get debit card for small purchases for Ella. Bay Area League meeting April 17th. Four 8th graders and 8 7th graders to form a team. Initial plan was to go and advocate to play in the pony league. However, we had older 14-year-old sign up. Still plan to advocate for exception. 13/14 rec league. Donovan will assist and a college grad will head coach. Will bring check and insurance. Send renewal when we get it.</p>
<p>VICE PRESIDENT Adam Lasee</p>	<p>League discussion stuff: league rule change proposals. Talk about next meeting. Looking at league meeting on April 11 for parents meeting at 6:30pm. Working on tournament team practice schedule. Coaches and league presidents filled.</p>
<p>REGISTRATION Heather Anderson</p>	<p>Heather covered the handout for registrations. Camp numbers are climbing.</p>
<p>CONCESSION COORDINATOR (vacant)</p>	<p>Ella is taking on this role. We will get Ella in contact with Mindy Casper. We will get Ella on payroll – similar to what we do with umpires. Kyle will give Ella access to the Facebook page and access to the concession stand email. Nathan will get Ella a key and code from Jason Hill.</p>
<p>COMMUNICATIONS Kyle Ehrfurth</p>	<p>Email sent stating that camps is closing on the 10th. Registration closing end of next week. Email reminder for that. Will close registration. T-ball will remain open for late requests. Blizzard game email reminder out. Final one next week – blizzard is week after. Tryout reminder will be going out. Home varsity games on the calendar. Tournament team nights will be added as a note – what Jason Hill is doing.</p>
<p>UMPIRE COORDINATOR Kyle Casper</p>	<p>Welcome email sent last week to parents – explain process. Welcome and ask for contact info for their son. Signing up for payroll. 21 of 31 have responded. Under 16 need a work permit. Kyle will get Ella contact info for all umps. Clinic set up for April 14 and 21st for umps. 430-6pm. New umps required, returning highly encouraged to attend. 5-dollar bump in pay for those who attend. Umps for tournaments looking good. 14th and 21st of July still looking for umps. Will invite league presidents to the ump clinic. Look to set expectations.</p>
<p>TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR (vacant)</p>	

SPONSORSHIP Tom Meersman	No updates. All sponsors down. Need to know how many more we need to cover all jerseys. How many sponsors does each team have. Will be shared with Tom and Nathan to ensure sponsors are happy and so we can get screen prints correct. And Ashley so she knows who will get attitude photo banners for Hartman.
FUNDRAISING Craig Carlton	<p>50/50: went very well. Had banner in front of table. Had 27 people there. Match to 1825 for total of 4100. People glad to help. Glad we were there. Would definitely do that again – annually.</p> <p>Mattress Sale: pitch for third and last time. Option to have HS gym on the 4th or 11th of May (Saturdays). A company sets up 15-20 beds. Mattress sales factory for the day. 10-430 (need from 7-7) they do all sales; we just provide half-hour parent meeting for a presentation – talks about the sale for 30 minutes. We need players there for an hour. Will wear mattress costumes. Parent or coach there to supervise. Everything else is run by the company. Need to find one person each who is interested in coming in to buy a mattress. Look to get input from parents at league meeting for the following year. Have a sign-up to find a date in fall.</p> <p>Fundraisers: looking for ‘things’ to giveaway. Not just ‘cash back’ but things that are more exciting. Available at tournaments. Coupons, discounts, merchandise, etc. Looking for leads. Alcohol, booze, etc. Want baskets to look very valuable. Look at ‘Taste of Ashwaubenon’ for ideas.</p> <p>Used equipment: Three baseball bats in basement. Nice to have a place on website. Consignment. Like sideline swap. Raffle tickets coordinated with parent meeting.</p>
FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT Nathan Jeske	Travel uniforms are ordered will confirm ship dates 7,8, and babe ruth have rec team. Get me roster. Will to hot press camo jersey. Will need roster as soon as possible. Leage teams let me know as soon as possible for age groups and kids of sponsors to match up. Will get sponsors and number to team apparel.
PARK & REC David Roehrig	No updates.
HIGH SCHOOL Jason Hill	No updates.
LEGION Ben Perry	Working with Nathan and team apparel for jerseys. Needs a check to Manitowoc legion for their 17u tournament – need for mid-April. Not set in stone for 17u coach. Will need to find alternate possibly.
STRATEGIC COORDINATOR Ashley Owen-Hill	Pictures coming up.
MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR Kyle Nelson	No updates.
NEW BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • League schedule decision: practice start week of April 22. Can get six in weather dependent. Games start week of May 13. Looking at roughly 12 games. Will make adjustments for picture days for games. Did not schedule on food truck rally days.

- | | |
|--|--|
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reminder to send requested changes for AYB tournaments to Kyle E. talk about tracking pitch counts. Desire is to keep tracking easy and efficient.• Other Business – thank you from Freedom House – donated last year's extra meat. |
|--|--|

Motion to Adjourn: Perry 2nd: Lasse

Meeting Adjourned at 8:58pm: Recorded by Joe Richter