

NHAA Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 2/3/2021

Call to Order: 7:05PM

Board Members Present

IN PERSON	IN PERSON	PHONE
J. Filisky	A. Papile	Bill Tisone, TBL
D. Hermann	S. Nowlin	
S. Lanzilotta	M. Graham	
D. Jasko	B. Reville	
N. Lanese	N. Gvera	
J. Moran	C. Senk	
D. O'Malley	M. Sprang – left after 10 min	

Dann Jasko resigned prior to the meeting. Email received by entire board.

Chase can assist with equipment. Jim will help for now. Chase needs a key (Julie M. will get key from Dann Jasko).

Chase, Jim, and Dave to do inventory check this week.

1. Old Business –
 - a. Software
 - b. travel bylaws
 - c. registrations
 - d. clinics
 - e. scheduling
 - f. others?
2. Bill Tisone – TBL. Bill joined the beginning of our meeting.
 - a. Idea to partner with younger boys leagues, like we do with SK and Colt.
 - b. Hudson and Aurora plan to partner alone.
 - c. Bill's proposal – unite our leagues, crossover with Hudson and Aurora. Registrations are down due to pandemic.
 - d. For sure for 5-6th grade league, possibility with 3rd-4th grade depending on numbers.
 - e. Their registration runs through early March
 - f. Twinsburg total registration is only 175 so far, all levels. Last year was 450.
 - g. No cost, each league handles its own registrations, home field ump, and field prep. No \$300 / team like previous years.
 - h. TBL meeting next week, Jim plans to join.
 - i. TBL plans to play first games first week of May; normal schedule
3. Financial review Final draft from Scott
 - a. Balance \$33,894
 - b. invoices and purchases (Final payment to Brian James out)

- c. incoming checks - \$500 from Spitzer from last summer deposited
 - d. registration
 - e. 5-7% increase in operating budget from last season. Included in Scott's latest 2021 budget. Adjust registration reimbursements to \$1000.
 - f. Quickbook report
 - g. Toro lease agreements start in May, but we could pay off with cash. Balance is \$7649, but Scott will double check if interest is already baked in. Probably keep monthly payments. Monthly payment is \$212.
 - h. Scott will plan for Fall Ball in our budget.
 - i. Motion to approve budget – Jim F., Dave H. First, Dean O. Second. Approved
4. Software update
- a. Registration is live. How many registrations so far Dave H. 88 so far. We think similar to last year at this time. Registration ads are out to papers and social media.
 - b. Sean update on Facebook
 - c. AAA changed to fast pitch only on registration
 - d. Plan to return to drafting (previous format, as agreed upon last meeting) – not discussed.
 - e. Travel team access (Dave H.) – not discussed
 - f. New questions in the registration regarding rankings? – done, saw it in registration form
 - g. Colt cutoff? – not discussed
5. Set year schedule
- a. Registration dates and late registration – until 3/12 before late fee.
 - b. General meeting – 3/9 (will be virtual)
 - c. Equipment dates – 4/17 and 4/24
 - d. Coaches training – 4/15 and 4/17
 - e. Umpire training – Dan Lingo agrees to run umpires this year.
 - f. Field prep 4/24-4/25 – need help from all BOT and other volunteers. Advertise with high schools for community service hours. Tell Walsh too.
 - g. Practice and scrimmage – starting 4/26. 2 weeks practice, 1 week preseason
 - h. Games start 5/17
 - i. Picture day – 5/15 (Venditti interested in coming back to our league.)
 - j. Field prep and setup
 - k. All star weekend – 6/26 (Ken Wilson angling for fields at Macedonia for tournaments. Jim is also in touch with Macedonia and will ask about this weekend)
 - l. Playoffs – After July 4 as normal
 - m. Others - none
6. Equipment pickup
- a. Need to set date – 4/17 and 4/24
 - b. Inventory – see above
7. Fundraising
- a. Chipotle – all of these to be planned still. Nick and Sean

- b. Chick Fil A
 - c. Culvers
 - d. 50/50 raffle
 - e. Travel fundraising – needs to inform Board before using NHAA tax ID - Andy
- 8. Obtain Insurance
 - a. Marc S. update (insurance policy ending March 2) – Marc S left call, no news. Jim to call. Insurance expires 3/2.
 - b. 12 mo. policy, Jeff Sindelar
- 9. AAA transition
 - a. How to inform the community – updated in registration
 - b. Check registration numbers in case we need to partner with other communities
- 10. Field updates
 - a. Longwood – still in contact
 - b. Others – Sagamore, NF, schools, StB – Schools will open school facilities to school community, but not general community yet. Julie M. to speak with Superintendent Clark. NF Village no new decisions yet. StB we will need greater access this year.
- 11. Uniform bids
 - a. Mike G. update on bids – Imagine That and Badlime. Mike G.
 - b. Scott L – doesn't think we paid Badlime for Fall uniforms, Dave H. thinks we did.
 - c. Jim F. emailed Imagine That. They were making sure bid was received.
 - d. Andy P. – Prime Time Sports is putting in a bid also. Best hats.
- 12. Field Prep
 - a. Maintenance announcement on website
 - b. Brian James interested in job – Brian will bid. Non-COVID bid (lining fields)
 - c. Other feedback social media – not discussed
- 13. Travel
 - a. Meeting for field requests
 - b. Bylaws update – Chase S. has new bylaws for review, emailed out to board. Collaborative effort.
 - i. Code of conduct – Dave H. – Julie M. supplied this. This is from Aurora. Does it belong in this document? Not really. Just use NHAA standard. Let's add social media language to NHAA coaches code of conduct.
 - ii. Motion to adopt – all in favor – unanimous yes.
 - c. Bash dates, Girls May 20-23 and Boys June 4-6
 - d. Gain access to concession stand – Jim F. wants us to use it as fundraising for us.
- 14. Clinics
 - a. School – holding pattern still.
 - b. Dbat option and pitching coach updates – Dean O. Weekend pitching clinic for girls. 2.5 hrs Saturday 10U and 12U, 1.5 hrs Sunday 14U. \$880 total. With 3 instructors. 2/27-28 is possible, but too early in the season. March may be possible. Up to 30 girls each day. Rents entire field house. We will push back to March. Dean to arrange.
 - c. Julie M. – school facilities are open. We can reserve outdoor and indoor.

- d. Coach Rizzo clinic can't happen this year, not enough time.
- 15. Outside communities
 - a. Boys, Aurora – out? – see above
 - b. Boys, Hudson – out? – see above
 - c. Other contacts – Jim F. and Dave H. – conversation is started. We plan to participate.
 - d. West side – Valley View, Broadview for girls
- 16. Hovan Family Donation
 - a. Final value - ~\$2300
 - b. Last donations handed over to Scott. – not discussed
 - c. Breakdown of final plan to sponsor players (how many for how long, e.g. NHAA sponsor 2 / year, Hovan donations sponsor 2 / year. – not discussed
- 17. Uniforms and sponsors
 - a. All uniforms same logo – Jim F – easier to manage. It's what other communities are doing. Costs more to put sponsor logos. BOT agrees. Motion – common shirt logo and custom banners. Unanimous vote in favor. For Fall Ball also.
 - b. Banners and other sponsor benefits
- 18. Jim F – Chevy sponsoring us again; new donation of \$500. With test drives we can get more money. Also equipment like first aid, whiffle balls, hitting nets. Jim will select ala carte.
- 19. Open Forum
- 20. Next meeting – 3/3/21 at 7PM

Meeting Adjourned: 8:52PM