

## NHAA Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 3/3/2021

Call to Order: 7:04PM

### Board Members Present

IN PERSON	IN PERSON	PHONE
J. Filisky	A. Papile	
D. Hermann	S. Nowlin	
S. Lanzilotta	M. Graham	
	B. Reville	
N. Lanese	N. Gvora	
J. Moran	C. Senk	
D. O'Malley	M. Sprang – missed some	

1. Old Business –
  - a. Software – renewed
  - b. travel bylaws – waiting for Girls Bash info to be added. Everything else fixed.
  - c. Registrations
  - d. clinics
  - e. scheduling
  - f. others?
2. Open Items from Dann Jasko resignation
  - a. Julie M - Key – picked up and given to Chase S. Keys: Jim, Chase, Bobby, Marc, Mike, Scott.
  - b. Equipment inventory – Dave H. Jim F. Chase S. Missing baseballs from the fall – purchased by Marc S. Marc to follow up.
3. Financial review Final draft from Scott
  - a. Balance = 46,962.44
  - b. invoices and purchases – ScheduleWerks, Facebook and Space Place fees.
  - c. incoming checks
  - d. registration
  - e. Quickbooks report – some discrepancies between Huntington and Quickbooks, which is normal. Waiting for systems to catch up with each other.
  - f. Toro lease agreements start in May, but we could pay off with cash. Discuss as Board. Topic closed. No savings to buy all at once. \$214 / mo. Remove from next month's agenda.
  - g. Scott will plan for Fall Ball in our budget.
  - h. Reserve fund; long term improvements – Discuss as Board. Agree we don't need to spend money to do a reserve study. Sean N. made statement about wanting to have a "long term strategy" (field improvements). Especially as it pertains to running and surplus and still hosting fundraising and moving away from

Longwood. Scott L. commented that 501(c)(3) are allowed to run surplus.  
Discussed having a long term blueprint. Nothing started yet.

- i. Jim F – Bernie Hovan donations total \$2,605 and deposited.
4. Software update
  - a. Registration is live. How many registrations so far? Dave H. - 255
  - b. Sean update on Facebook – no major issues, all OK.
  - c. Plan to return to drafting (previous format, as agreed upon previously)
  - d. Travel team access (Dave H.) - Yes they have access, but need to register as coaches
5. Schedule – do we need any changes?
  - a. Registration dates and late registration – until 3/12 before late fee. Will hold this plan.
  - b. General meeting – 3/9 (will be virtual). Still on schedule. 7-9PM.
  - c. Equipment dates – 4/17 and 4/24 - OK
  - d. Coaches training – 4/8 - Virtually
  - e. Umpire training – Dan Lingo agrees to run umpires this year. - OK
  - f. Field prep 4/24-4/25 – need help from all BOT and other volunteers. Advertise with high schools for community service hours. – Julie will help advertise for community service.
  - g. Practice and scrimmage – starting 4/26. 2 weeks practice, 1 week preseason. We have field access as of 4/12. Dave, Jim, and Dave DePasquale made a preliminary schedule. Saturday's 9A-3P.
  - h. Games start 5/17
  - i. Picture day – 5/22
  - j. Field prep and setup
  - k. All star weekend – 6/26 (Longwood decision, received quote). No Longwood. Will be at Sagamore. Informed Longwood. Same for Championship weekend.
  - l. Playoffs – After July 4 as normal
6. Equipment pickup
  - a. Need to set date – 4/17 and 4/24
  - b. Inventory – see above
  - c. Chevy donation items ordered. Detailed in email – buckets, catchers gear, hitting nets.
7. Fundraising
  - a. Chipotle – scheduled 3/30.
  - b. Chick Fil A – request in and acknowledged. No date set yet.
  - c. Culvers
  - d. 50/50 raffle
  - e. Travel fundraising – no travel teams booked dine-in nights as far as we can tell
  - f. Nick employer – we need to take photos of equipment we bought. Nick to research further. Catcher's gear and fences suggested.
8. Obtain Insurance
  - a. Marc S. update
  - b. 12 mo. policy, Jeff Sindelar

9. AAA transition

- a. How to inform the community – should be our goal to partner to strengthen our league and player commitment.
- b. Check registration numbers in case we need to partner with other communities – we need to partner because we are low on numbers. Dean can help us reach out to Stow YES League and Hudson.

10. Field updates

- a. Longwood – still in contact – discuss latest as a Board – nothing new here
- b. Others – Sagamore, NF, schools, StB – nothing new here

11. Uniform bids

- a. Mike G. update on bids – Mike G. sent the bid summary. Board to review and decide next meeting. Mike to make formal recommendation.
- b. Andy P. – Prime Time Sports is putting in a bid also. Best hats. Andy endorses this company as a good company to work with.
- c. Others?

12. Field Prep

- a. Maintenance announcement on website – Dave H.
- b. Brian James interested in job – Brian will bid. Non-COVID bid (lining fields)
- c. Other bids? – none so far
- d. Other feedback social media – none so far

13. Travel

- a. Meeting for field requests – Longwood said no Tues / Wed, but we have Mon / Thurs. Friday might be useful to rec. Andy would like Tues night for lights games.
- b. Bylaws – updates? – see above
- c. Bash dates, Girls May 20-23 and Boys June 4-6 – Dean O. and Andy P. talked to Dave DePasquale about the logistics of the tournament. Sagamore wants \$180 per day for the fields, and \$120 for the pavilions. Total is \$900. Andy doesn't like having to rent the fields that we maintain. Especially since this is a fundraiser for our travel teams. This will ruin our normal profit. They also wanted a \$1,500 deposit after bathroom damage 2 years ago, but since made it \$1,000 total. Andy and Dean asking board for the deposit. These costs are a large increase. Questioning if the risk is worth it because we could lose money. Agreement that NHAA could loan the money for the \$1,000 deposit, but travel teams will cover cost of lost funds from the deposit. Motion to vote – Jim, Sean Second. Unanimous vote. Will continue this plan for future Bash funding.
- d. Gain access to concession stand – updates?

14. Clinics

- a. School – need decision about indoor clinic run by volunteer coaches
- b. D-Bat Solon - 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. March may be possible. Up to 30 girls each day. Rents entire field house. We will push back to March. Dean to

arrange.) - New dates offered May 8 weekend and May 15 weekend. Price and scheduling is not preferred. Julie will ask around.

15. Outside communities

- a. Any updates girls – Meeting scheduled for next week.
- b. Boys – Bill Tisone suggested we expand to 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade divisions. No decision yet.

16. Hovan Family Donation

- a. Last donations handed over to Scott – see above
- b. Breakdown of final plan to sponsor players (how many for how long, e.g. NHAA sponsor 2 / year, Hovan donations sponsor 2 / year. – Board to discuss

17. Uniforms and sponsors

- a. Anything to discuss here? Decision prior to do same logo all uniforms, custom banners.

18. Jim F – Chevy sponsoring us again

- a. Board discuss selection of equipment. Refer to Jim F. email

19. Filly league decision per email conversation – Jim to respond we are not interested.

20. Used Nordon field turf – Jim F. – we have no use.

21. Fence quotes – Marc S. – Next meeting.

22. Open topics

- a. IRS inquiry. Scott following. We believe we already responded. It's basically a late fee \$2,065 as a result of an error by our Accountant. Accountant will cover the fee as it was their responsibility.
- b. Trustees – many same from last year. Julie = AAA, GMP = Dean, Chase = Babe Ruth, Nikki = AA. Trustees to have backups from more experienced trustees.
- c. Trustees responsible for setting their own draft rules. Draft week 3/29-4/2.
- d. BOT attendance
- e. Jim reported Marc S asking for a quote to add batting cages at sagamore.

23. Next meeting 4/14, 8PM, Sagamore Upper Pavilion

Meeting Adjourned: 9:05PM