

Blaine Area Traveling Baseball Board Meeting
Thursday, December 12, 2013
Blaine Baseball Complex, Blaine
7:15pm

Board Members: Ernie Johnson – President; Rick Fanning – Vice President; Carl Nyberg – Treasurer; Sarah Anderson – Secretary; Pete Riola – Blaine Traveling Director; Doug Kaltved – SLP Traveling Director; Jason Vogel – Equipment Director; Carrie Folstrom – Volunteer Coordinator; Erik Fenn – Fundraising; Scott Gagnon – Uniform & Apparel Coordinator; Kathy Coello – Tournament Director; Justin Kehner - Assistant Tournament Director

In Attendance: Ernie Johnson, Rick Fanning, Carl Nyberg, Sarah Anderson, Pete Riola, Erik Fenn, Kathy Coello, Justin Kehner

Not in Attendance: Doug Kaltved, Jason Vogel, Carrie Folstrom, Scott Gagnon

Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 7:15pm by President, Ernie Johnson

Open Forum – No topics

Executive Reports

- Secretary's Report – Sarah
 - November Minutes were approved at conclusion of that meeting. No changes noted.
- Treasurer's Report – Carl
 - Paid NSC bill and BDC HS use and HS received \$2,000. Dugout will pay us back for expense we paid.
 - \$25,000 in account approximately after current checks are cashed. Fall registration money has been received.
 - First meeting of new SBAA Board and are going through some changes.
- President's Report – Ernie
 - Update on Blaine Community Baseball Meeting.
 - Pete and Ernie attended meeting with City last week. Lexington Fields are planned to go in. Two ballparks with concessions and parking. Will be beautiful.
 - Aquatore replacement park will move ahead and can use as 90 foot. Will have lights as well. Discussed need for younger age fields but also understand need for older ages with BALL. LL starts first weekend in May and talked about working together more on fields.
 - Spoke about Airport #3 for some nights (60 foot fields). Also spoke to Corrine with SBAA about field challenges.
- VP's Report – Rick
 - Rainout policy on tournament was discussed and a few other tournament policies reviewed.
 - Woodbury keeps \$50 for complete rain out.
 - Eagan keeps portion on complete wash out.

- Discussed break even number on expenses pre-paid if tournament needs to be cancelled. Ernie moved we moved fee to \$75 and Rick seconded. Motion passed.
- Moved tourney later this year and feel weather will be much less of a potential issue.

Old Business

New Business

- Fundraiser/*BHS at NSC*
 - \$2,000 donated by Blaine Hockey and will help to get Freshman HS Players off 5am practices. Discussed long-term plan to make this reality for years to come.
 - Discussed salt fundraiser and agreed to have Erik and Pete do further research and to present plan.
- Coaches' Meetings – Will have 2 meetings prior to season's start.
 - Working on venue to hold first meeting on January 30th.
- 15U Tournaments discussed.
 - Ernie motioned that we handle 2 tournaments for them and work with HS on uniforms. Motion seconded by Rick and Board passed.
- Single A Baseball discussed.
 - Concern that we are losing some kids from baseball and would like to consider A Baseball. Ernie has talked to MYAS and probably 12U and 13U but not younger ages yet.
 - Will go back to Soderville and discuss fields.
- Team Manager Handout given by Erik. All will review and finalize to give to coaches.
 - Discussed team websites and will recommend that each team uses SBAA website. MYAS site still used to enter scores, etc.

Monthly Review Checklist – Rick

- Reviewed December check list.
 - March 22nd will be confirmed with Broadway.
 - Final Registration Date needs to be set and coordinated.
 - Fundraising elements for Pizza Feast (tickets, prizes, etc.).

Board Reports

- Blaine Traveling Director's Report – Pete
- SLP Traveling Director's Report – Doug
- Equipment Director's Report – Jason
 - Equipment ordered and will distribute bags in January to coaches
- Uniform Coordinator's Report – Scott
 - Read Scott's report
 - Want Under armour shirts for coaches (can Scott look into \$20-\$25 budget for new shirt) –
 - Discussed logos
 - Get HS Logo and then look at possible ideas for standard logos.
 - Keep uniform same as 2013.
- Volunteer Coordinator's Report – Carrie
- Fundraising Coordinator's Report – Erik

- Fundraiser at Broadway and Associated Drawing
- Discussed plan for finding 2-3 people to volunteer to solicit give-a-way prizes
- Discussed team photos – Erik will contact Nancy Nelson to discuss.
- Discussed silent auction possibilities

- Tournament Director's Report – Kathy
 - Discussed entries and PO Box. Keys distributed.
 - Directors will get together with Rick.

- Asst. Tournament Director's Report – Justin

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00pm by President, Ernie Johnson.

Next meeting will be January 9th and we will review new policies.