



BATBA Board Meeting Minutes (11/10/2022)

Attendees

Chris Coleman - President
Lindsey Hanson - Vice President
Erik Peterson - Treasurer
Ryan Semans - Traveling Director (9-11)
Bryan Guse - Traveling Director (12-14)
Ryan Busch - Communications Director
Chris Cazin - Equipment Director
Andy Burmeister - Tournament Director
Marc Bjorkland - Facilities Director
Kate Kell - Fundraising Director
Danielle Fackler – Social Media Secretary
Craig Schlichting - Assist. Tournament Director

Absent

- Introductions
 - Terra Favilla stepping down
 - Introduced all current members
- Treasury Report
 - Erik Peterson shared treasurer report
- Apparel Updates
 - Lindsey provided update on Spirit Wear sales
 - Lindsey to get samples on coaching shirts. Thinking about moving to a short sleeve pullover (Navy)
- Fundraising Updates
 - Kate discussing potential options for fundraising
 - MN Moose
 - Iceman
 - Complete Game
 - Questions on potential fundraising amounts needed to complete 2023 projects.
Potential projects include:
 - Dugouts at Cloverleaf
 - Scoreboards at Petersen
 - Clay at BBC 5 and 6

- Give to the max day (11/17/22). Ryan to send out email to our members. Lindsey to help message with social media.
- Optional Individual Fundraising is a possibility
- Spring Fundraiser to sell flower baskets?
- Equipment Updates
 - All equipment for 2023 is ready to be ordered, but hasn't been ordered yet. 2 sets of youth (9's) shin pads are needed, baseballs, dozen wiffles for each team, need to refill for the balls that were lost. Approved.
 - Nets, tees, and weighted balls for each team. Chris to get pricing on these for next meeting (bownet and tanner tees).
- Social Media Updates
 - Danielle was able to get logged into all of our current accounts
- Communication Updates
 - Ryan to send out reminder on last day of ordering Spirit Wear
 - Welcome new board members and thank you to Kevin Bross for his service
 - Email on the "Give to the Max" day. Kate to provide details to Ryan
 - Uniform Fitting Communication to include message that bats from the Blaine Wooden Bat Tourney are available for sale at \$40
- Facilities Updates
 - Practice Facility at Petersen to be named after previous board member
 - Turf for plates
- Winter Season
 - Uniform Fitting (1/11 & 1/18)
 - NSC is reserved, setup tables, open up dibs
 - 3 board members and 3 volunteers
 - 5-8pm per session
 - Mandatory fitting for all
 - Craig to run the fitting, Bryan/Chris to be there to confirm sizing
 - Coaches Meeting (scheduled for 12/13, move this to a weeknight closer to indoor start). TBD
 - Coaches Clinic (Complete Athlete or Iceman)
 - Discussed how to get training/clinic/coaching to coaches who request help on specific aspects of the game
 - Complete Game 2 hour clinic, Kate to get quote, coaching clinic at Complete Game / Get multiple options
 - Complete Athlete had videos and practice plans included in their clinics
 - Indoor starts 2/3/23
- Tournament (May 19-21)
 - Format (Bracket / Pool)
 - Bracket/Pool discussion, need to decide, \$85/game/umpire cost last year, may be more this year
 - We can showcase our best fields if we are moving to bracket format
 - Divisions

- 9AA-14AAA this year
- Cost
 - \$425-\$475 depending on tournament format
- Bats
 - Sell wooden bats and move to metal
- Blaine Concessions City gets 20%, BALL gets 10%, we would get ~20%.
- Ham Lake concessions and field usage, Craig to check
- City of Blaine fields application is in
- Andy to turn in paperwork for Gopher State and MBT bids
- Change tournament awards to rings?
- Improvements for this year:
 - Do all tourney fees on Tourney Machine for ease of use
 - Set up the Dibs to more properly staff the volunteer hours
 - Cut off dibs 2 weeks early

- Open Item: Trusted Coaches to be discussed next meeting