



Bloomington Fastpitch Association Board of Directors Minutes
Monday, April 4th, 2016
Bloomington Center for the Arts- Dakota Room

- I. Call to order
Karen Johnson called to order the monthly board meeting of the Bloomington Fastpitch Association (BFA) at 7:04pm on Monday, April 4th, 2016
- II. Attendance
 - a. Board members present: Karen Johnson, Cathy Currier, Sarah Johnson, Tammy Tessier Kealy, Daren Anderson, Greg Westendorf, Jessica Musta, Lisa Bruins, Tammy Galvin and David Rau
 - b. Other Attendees: Tod Deming (Clutch Hitters) and Jim Hanson (Clutch Hitters)
- III. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (March 2016)
A motion to approve March 2016 Minutes as distributed was made by Karen Johnson, 2nd by Greg Westendorf
MOTION APPROVED
- IV. Old Business
 - a. BFA Motto – Greg, Tammy Galvin and David will work on this off-line and bring recommendations to the board.
- V. Blast Off Readiness – April 30th
 - a. Overview of event activities
 - 12U will be participating in the Blast Off
 - Adding Pitch-Hit-Run contest sponsored by the MLB – need 12 volunteers
 - Invite another 10U team to play as we have 5 10U teams
 - Catch the Fire packets will be handed when families sign in
 - b. ID event planning team – Erich Manwarren, Karen Johnson, Lisa Bruin and Tammy Tessier Kealy
- VI. Park & Rec Field Clean Up Assistance Request
- VII. Membership Vote Results
Vote by the membership was 94 Yes and 6 No to allow one (1) free registration per board member family effective November 1 2016. A comment was also made that assistant coaches should receive half price off of registration.
- VIII. Grants
 - a. Bloomington Convention and Visitors Bureau Sports Grant – We received a grant for \$1500 to put towards our NAFA expenses.
 - b. Other potential grant pursuits
 - David and Tammy Galvin will get together to decide what other grants we want to pursue. All agreed that we want to try for the Twins field grant that is awarded in June.
- IX. BFA 8U Director Board Position (Decide)
 - a. Question was brought that since Tri-County is running all of the 8U program, is this position still needed? The board decided that an 8U Director as a voting board member was still required but roles and responsibilities of that position will change.

New roles & responsibilities need to be established to recruit to fill position with October board elections.

- X. Clinic Request – Morgan Garbrecht and Amy Huett
Board agreed to let them post their clinic on our website. A description of the clinic will be sent to Jenn so it can be added to our clinic tab
- XI. Uniform and Other Apparel Orders (Discuss)
- a. Lisa is meeting with Kevin from Big Frog to talk about practice and Bash tshirts and coaches shirts. It was asked if coaches shirts could be like an UnderAmor type, a better quality then have had in the past.
 - b. We have five (5) different apparel vendors for uniforms practice shirts, Bash Shirts Coach apparel and spiritwear. Board agreed an RFP is needed to identify and select a single vendor. Tammy Galvin will assist Lisa to prepare an RFP and submit it different vendors to be sure our needs our being met. Karen Johnson agreed to assist with development of list of criteria for inclusion in RFP.
- XII. General Director Reports
- a. President: Open
 - b. Past President: Karen Johnson
 - Parent meeting – distributed parent and player codes of conduct at parent meeting. Will be added into online registration for next season.
 - Asked Cathy to send out Clutch Hitters meeting summary to bring documentation of Clutch BFA alliance partnership to a close.
 - c. Vice President: Cathy Carrier
 - Need a 12U coach
 - Might be paying for assistant coach
 - Are field boxes ready for games? Washburn, Olson and Kelly
 - Golf carts are ordered for tournaments
 - Thank you Lisa regarding uniforms
 - d. Treasurer: Sarah Johnson
 - Circulated budget – revenue will be better than budgeted
 - Still chasing people to pay their bills – Tod Deming noted Clutch would be withholding uniforms until payments receive and suggested BFA consider same policy. .
 - e. Secretary: Tammy Tessier Kealy
 - Need to get the teams registred. Confirmed league – Suburban League
 - f. Commissioner: Daren Anderson
 - All equipment is in
 - Clutch Hitters received their items
 - Coaches need to turn in keys at the end of the year and clean out their first aid kits
 - Freezer – Daren was contacted by Mike Kopishke stating freezer in Dred 5 storage belonged to him and he wanted to pick it up. No record of a donation or ownership, Board agreed let Mike Kopishke have freezer. Daren will arrange time that Mike can come to Dred and retrieve.
 - Dick's donated – 28 bucket of balls, 28 scorebooks and magnet boards
 - g. Facilities Coordinator: Erich Manwarren
 - Final field draw date will be finalized within the week
 - h. 8U Director: Bob Lindberg
 - i. Player and Coach Development: Greg Westendorf
 - Confirmed that all head coaches have to do ACE training
 - j. Tournament Director: Jessica Musta
 - 36 teams have registered for the Bash tournament, expect more to come in now that teams have been formed
 - Clutch Bash is full
 - Sending out the Sign up gensis by May 10th
 - Going to connect with Jenn and clean up the tournament section on the website

- k. Communications Director: Jenn Herron
- l. Member Services: Lisa Bruins
- m. Marketing: Tammy Galvin
 - Working with Grant regarding social media
- n. Fund Raising: David Rau
 - Phase 1 – get all new sponsors signed up
 - Phase 2 – getting the raffle tickets setup and to the printer, might need to get a license as our prizes may total over \$5000
 - Papa John's Player of the Game certificates have been given to all head coach and Cathy sent out the instructions to the coaches

XIII. Open Comments

XIV. Adjournment

Karen Johnson made a motion to adjourn at 8:51 pm, 2nd by Sarah Johnson

The next board meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, May 1 at 7:30 pm** at the Bloomington Center for the Arts.