



BATBA Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2016 at 7pm

7:10 Call to Order – Rick Fanning. All board members present.

7:11 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from June 12, 2016 - Approved.

7:05 Public Forum – Matt Westlund was present to discuss the Cooperstown Tournament for upcoming 13U players as well as our Team Selection process.

New Business – 2017 board membership – Rick mentioned that as we finish up the 2016 season and begin preparations for the 2017 season, we will need to address an open position on the board.

7:15 Committee Reports

- Treasurer's Report – Jaymi Greseth – Account balance about \$45,000.
- Administration – Rick Fanning
 1. SLP Traveling discussion – Justin Kehner and Traci Payne – Brief discussion with some coaches from BALL about the number of traveling teams for 2017 as well as potential future organizational changes. Decisions are based on field capacity and talent level.
 2. FallBall and Icemen - Al Gottschalk – Will have 13U and 15U teams formed. Tryouts for Varsity team the end of July.
 3. Tryouts and Team Selection – Justin Kehner and Board – Justin is putting together a schedule for Tryouts and on-line Tryouts registration will be open 8/2.
 - Tryouts On-line Registration Deadline: Tuesday 8/23
 - Tryouts Pools Posting: Wednesday 8/24
 - Tryouts schedule and conflicts (football)
 - Pre-Tryouts 8/23-25
 - Skills Tryouts 8/26-28
 - Callbacks 8/29-9/2 or as needed
 4. How many teams for 2017 – In 2016 we had 20 teams from 9U-15U. We believe we can add a 9U SLP team and a 13AA SLP team in 2017. Field capacity and talent level are key factors.
 5. Policies Manual - Final Review – Rick Fanning
 - Team Selection Criteria: (8/12 requirement) – The board voted and approved (8 approved, 1 opposed, 2 abstained) the elimination of the requirement that 8 of top 12 scorers must be named to a AAA team. AAA team rosters are determined from the callback pool.
 - 9th grade / 14U eligibility – The board discussed the implications of 9th grade players who are birthday-eligible to play 14U. The high school schedule is the priority.
 - Gate fees clarification – Parents are responsible for gate fees when charged, not BATBA.

8:15 3-Year Plan: Remaining improvements vote – The board approved the rebuilding of Peterson East mound and the completion of the Cloverleaf infield: irrigation, black dirt, sod, and mound. Other improvements requiring research/pricing are dugout screens for four Peterson dugouts; an equipment shed at Lexington; field equipment at Lexington including high quality L-screens, and a second equipment shed at Peterson for player development equipment. We also need to get a quote for improving the dugouts at Cloverleaf (enclosures, concrete slab).

8:30 Next meeting August 11, 2016 (Thursday) at 6pm at BBC

8:30 Adjourn