



BFAB Meeting
September 12th, 2013

Board Members Present: Mark Wald, Dan Spriggs, Rick Ballot, Sr., Greg Mitchell, Derek Stoeckel, Sheri Wald, Doug Snyder

Members Present: None

The meeting was called to order at 8:03. A quorum was met with 7 board members present.

Parent/Member Open Mike and Comment Period

No comments were made.

Officer/Committee Reports

President – Mark Wald

- The board meeting minutes from August 15th were approved with the addition of the date of the email motion.
 - Typo's were corrected.
 - Two additional action items were documented.
- Mark purchased a Boosters Football Paw (for the Huskie Path of Pride) for \$30 and asked to be reimbursed.
 - A motion was made to:
 1. *Reimburse Mark for \$30 for the purchase.*

The motion was unanimously approved
- The Parents Association (High School) printed a bulletin for home games. BFAB typically gives \$125 for advertising. The money is budgeted.
- All Boosters meeting was held.
 - A reminder was provided why the All Boosters Board exists
 1. The board provides a face to the community
 2. The board provides a good forum for appeals
 3. Service Organization.
 - For multiple sports, it handles background checks and end of year surveys. BFAB plans to use this service at the end of the season.
 - Asked the board how other sports handle coaches guidelines
 1. Soccer reviews every year with coaches verbally.
 2. Ngin website can do coach registration and background checks. It is not clear if the background checks affect Fifo credit score.
 - The Boosters board is starting to charge a \$0.75 charge per check they need to write. This covers postage and supplies. Estimated annual cost to football is about \$100.
 - The family maximum was discussed. This year for football, no families utilized the discount and it makes it difficult to manage with the website. Recommend we no longer use the family discount.

Equipment – Dan Spriggs and Doug Snyder



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- A bill has not been paid to Daves Sport Shop. There was some confusion around what was ordered and what was received. All merchandise has now been received. Board recommended to pay Dave's immediately to maintain our good relationship with Dave.
- Will select Equipment Return date at the October meeting.

Fields – Jared Hoylo and Rick Friebe (covered by Mark W)

- First game occurred at Central Park. Believe it went well.
 - It was recently mowed and painted.
- Emerald Park water system leak was fixed. A request to the city to adjust the timing of the lights to be changed to 7 pm. The field is currently 60 yards by 30. With a little work, the field may be able to host games next year.

Coaches Director – Rick Ballot, Sr.

- Coaches survey questions were reviewed. (8 questions)
 - Recommend adding a couple questions:
 - Are you interested in joining the board next year?
 - Does your child feel they were treated fairly?
 - Coach's shirts are in. True cost of ~\$28, board will subsidize and lower price to \$10.

Registrar – Derek Stoeckel

- 100% registered. 150+ players
- Mark Wald mentioned one personal check was returned from the bank. Recommend next year that we only use website for registration and not accept personal checks.

Treasurer – Duane and Karen Arens (Covered by Mark W)

- Spending to budget – on track
- No exact update

Fundraising – Open

- No update

Old Business

- A subcommittee meeting will be held on 9/16 at Greg Mitchell's house to review the job descriptions of different positions in an attempt to simplify the President's roll.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussions are occurring around 2nd grade tackle football and whether it will be changed next year to flag football.
 - New 2/3rd grade coach Brian is leaning towards flag. Many 2nd graders are nervous about being tackled.



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- Head 2/3rd grade coach Steve believes flag is a good idea for 2nd grade, but he likes working with 2nd graders too.
- Bill believes if we go to a flag football program, it needs to be structured. Also believes the size difference is very evident in the 2nd and 3rd grade programs.
- Greg Mitchell talked with Coach Todd. Todd believes we should have a 2nd grade flag football program that uses a dad as the coach.
- A name for the 2nd grade program could be “Puppie Pound”
- Mark will send out some information on other communities Flag football programs.
- Recommended a subcommittee be formed
- Discussion on reasons to not have 2nd graders playing tackle football
 - Generally speaking, a 2nd grader’s skill level is not up to the same as a 3rd grader’s
 - Other teams in our league do not play 2nd graders
 - There is usually a fairly significant size difference between 2nd and 3rd graders, and we are concerned about player safety.
 - 2nd graders are more likely to quit during the season and have a higher probability of not returning the next season for football.
- Should the football program have an Emergency Action Policy?
 - Need to confirm if the registration requires emergency contact information.
 - Believe all coaches should have the emergency contact information.
 - Board recommends discussion with Brever and Associates (who are good friends of the St. Anthony football program)
 - Board recommended updated next year’s Player-Parent Handbook to include something about our policy being to call the emergency contact if the parent is not present when an injury occurs.
- End of the year survey will be administered this year by Tom Kuykendall(Overall Boosters president). BFAB will maintain control of the questions on the survey.
- Background checks can be completed by Tom Kuykendall. Need to confirm if his method hits the Fifo score.

ACTION ITEMS

- Mark Wald to send out scan on general guidelines on Background checks
- Field director to contact city to change light schedule at Emerald Park
- Mark Wald to confirm bill to Dave’s Sporting goods is in process to be paid.
- Mark Wald to send out information on other Flag Football programs.

Email Motion(s)

- None

To Do List:

- Contact Brever and Associates to discuss Emergency Action Plan.

Motion to adjourn at 8:58 pm

Submitted by Greg Mitchell

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