



BFAB Meeting  
February 13, 2014

**Board Members Present:** Karen Arens, Rick Ballot Sr, Chad Gillard, Greg Mitchell, Dan Spriggs, Mark Wald and Sheri Wald

**Members Present:** Dave Rodkewich and Tesse Rodkewich

The monthly board meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM.

**Minutes were approved for the Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

### **Review of Completed and Upcoming Year-at-a-Glance Tasks**

While talking about the review of policies, Chad suggested we consider having the President serve a maximum of two years. It was suggested we bring this up as an agenda item next month.

### **Old Business**

#### **President Duties**

- Karen as facilitator for this meeting mentioned that each meeting we need to assign tasks out to others that the president would normally do.
- Karen presented a template we can use each month for meeting agendas. She also created a meeting facilitator schedule. Board members are expected to lead the meeting for the date they are scheduled. If they have a conflict for that date, they need to coordinate with someone else to fill that date.
- Derek will attend the March Boosters board meeting

### **New Business**

#### **Flag Football**

Michelle Helfrey-Sullivan has volunteered to be the point person. She will be at March board meeting to go over details for planning. She is also looking into a program the MYAS is organizing, but we will likely keep this in-house. Chad Gillard will be our board liaison to let Michelle know about follow-ups from our meetings.

### **2014 Budget**

Karen, Greg, Dan, Chad and Derek met last Sunday to draft a preliminary budget for 2014.

Regarding budgeting for equipment:

- New Helmet purchase. Up to 10% of our inventory each year.
- Game pants: Up to 30% of our inventory each year
- Up to 10 Shoulder pads

Other points:

- A lot of families still have blue socks left over from last year. It is not really necessary to continue purchasing new socks for everyone each year. We can



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purchase socks in bulk and sell these near cost at the equipment pick-up for families who need these.

- For teaching proper tackling for Heads-Up Football we need “half-cylinder” tackling dummies. One per team at \$100 each.
- Regarding setting a fee for registration, Chad researched what other programs charge. Irondale and Mounds View both have tiered pricing. The cost goes up after a certain date. Some associations require their families to participate in fundraisers. Also in other associations, families are required to provide their own football equipment.

Mark made a motion to amend our by-laws. Under Article VIII Equipment, B. Individual Equipment, *the SASB Football program will no longer provide a pair of game socks for each player.* Greg seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Chad motioned to approve the 2014 budget and to set the tackle football registration fee to \$155 and flag football registration to \$40. Mark seconded.

During the discussion it was noted that the proposed budget did not account for scholarships and also the Sport Ngin registration fee. Regarding scholarships we discussed asking families to cover the costs such as the jersey. For example, we would give \$105 towards the \$155. On a case-by-case basis we would adjust the amount awarded to families, if necessary. Also, we discussed the possibility of setting the registration fee to \$160 to ensure we could keep a balanced budget and still be able to provide scholarships.

It was decided it would be helpful to revise the budget to account for scholarships and Sport Ngin registration fees. Karen motioned to table Chad’s motion to approve the 2014 budget. Sheri seconded, and the motion was tabled.

### **Rugby as a provisional SASB sport for two years**

A group is interested in having rugby in St. Anthony. A team would be formed at the middle school level. Practices would be held on a St. Anthony field once a week on either a Saturday or Sunday. Games would be on Wednesday evenings in south Minneapolis. The season would take place in the spring, ending in June.

At the most recent SASB board meeting, the rugby group requested SASB to include rugby as a provisional sport for two years. The SASB president requested each sport to discuss this and give approval or not at the next SASB board meeting.

Mark made a *motion to approve of having Rugby be a provisional Boosters sport for two years.* Karen seconded the motion. We discussed the benefits rugby would have towards football. A point was brought up that we are a small community and rugby could potentially draw away players for the other sports Boosters already provides. We talked about Boosters’ role in providing opportunities and that it would be good



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for people to have the chance to decide what sports they want to play. **The motion passed.**

### **Football Registration Start and End date for 2014**

*Sheri motioned to start registration on Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> and end on June 30<sup>th</sup>.*

**Motion passed unanimously.**

### **Officer Committee Reports**

We decided to not have these reports this month, because the meeting was running late. We did bring up fundraising ideas as Tessie and Dave Rodkewich are interested in providing leadership with fundraising. Money earned would go towards building a budget surplus.

- Take orders for apparel at football equipment pick-up, Huskie week, first few games, and SANBE spaghetti dinner. Possibilities are T-shirts at \$10, hand-sweatshirts, stocking caps, hand-warmers, blankets. All could be customized with the St. Anthony logo. We would take orders. Delivery would go to the football teams.
- Selling something like the muscular dystrophy shamrocks only it would be footballs instead. Sell for \$1 each. DQ could probably sell \$300 worth. For this to be profitable, we would need to keep printing costs to a minimum. Possible vendors are Sir Speedy, Printx, Advantage Sign and Graphics, and Tracy Printing. Also, Greg has a contact at Pioneer Packaging.
- DQ shop evening. All sales donate a portion to Boosters Football.
- Picnic idea to sell tickets to.

### **Action Items**

Everyone

- Review by-laws and other documents on the football website

Greg

- Contact community services regarding football information in Spring/Summer bulletin
- Talk to Todd Niklaus for Huskie week dates.
- Prepare agenda for March meeting

Mark

- Mark to post agenda template on website
- Regarding heads-up, send Rick a list of contact people for other football associations.



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Derek

- Attend March Boosters meeting

Karen

- Re-do budget with revisions from tonight's meeting.

Chad

- Research how much we gave in scholarship money last year.
- Contact city and schools for registration information marquee signs.
- Get back to board on what steps we will take for fundraising

Rick

- Contact Derek regarding a plan for heads-up.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.