



BFAB Meeting
June 12, 2014

Board Members Present: Karen Arens, Rick Ballot, Matt Lund, Greg Mitchell, Paul Mountain, Mark Wald, and Sheri Wald

Members Present:

The monthly board meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the May 8, 2014 meeting were approved.

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

Old Business

Todd Niklaus will be doing the Heads-Up program at the high school.

New Business

League Meetings

Greg will be attending the league meetings for 3rd-6th grade and for 7th-8th grade.

Team Formation Policy

We discussed a few points that Rick would like to revise:

- The policy gives a 10-point scale as an illustration on how to deal with scenarios where the skill levels of “coaches’ kid” players vary. Rick would like to change this wording to a 5-point scale as that is what the coaches actually use.
- Each head coach can designate one assistant coach. The only players left out of team formation would be kids of the head coach and the designated assistant coach. This could be a change to the Coach Selection Policy, which does not currently restrict how many assistant coaches a head coach. Or this could be worded on the Team Formation Policy.
- At the team formation meeting, any assistant coach who helped evaluate players can be present.

Registration Numbers/Teams

66 names registered posted right now.

We discussed whether we should allow coaches to see who has registered for football. We want coaches to know who has registered so they can remind players to sign up. One issue is that we cannot have coaches being selective about who they contact about signing up.



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Flag Football

Only five are signed up so far. Michelle would like guidance on what to do to boost registration. Greg will send her an email and ask her to contact Jason Peters to see if he can send something out to t-ball and coaches' pitch families.

BIG Athletics

We will be sending something out to parents regarding the high school BIG Athletics fundraiser. This is a website where apparel can be ordered. The proceeds benefit the high school football program.

Officer Committee Reports

President - no report.

Vice-President, Greg – no report.

Coaches Director, Rick B. and Matt

- 2014 coaches list is posted on our BFAB documents page.
- Rick is starting to get names of people who want to be coaches from looking at the registration report.
- There will be a Heads-Up meeting next week: Rick B, Derek, Matt and Greg to attend. They will be planning out what we need to do to implement Heads-Up.
- Rick took an online level 1 flag-football course. The course is detailed about first aid and concussion training. All coaches need to take this as part of Heads-Up.
- Derek thinks that this Heads-Up concussion training does not fulfill the State of MN requirements.

Fields Director, Rick F. and Paul

We are welcome to use the varsity practice field for Saturday games. Troy was reluctant to have us use the Stadium field for games this year, because the field is being heavily used this summer. They want the field to get back into shape for high school football games.

Registrar, Chad – no report

Treasurer, Karen and Duane

Karen has about \$1,400 from the DQ fundraiser to be deposited.



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Equipment Director, Dan and Derek

- We were awarded a \$1,000 grant from USA Football.
- Dan and Derek looked at equipment recently. We need to purchase these from the Riddell website. 12 half-dummies. 8 half-blocking shields. And whatever is left for shoulder pads.
- Derek and Dan were not present at the meeting but had requested the purchase of an additional 10 shoulder pads at \$45 each as part of the order on the Riddell website for the USA Football equipment grant. The board did not discuss this request.

Secretary, Mark

- Key concept: empower coaches. It's a partnership with coaches and board members.
- Key concept: do everything possible to increase participation

Action Items

Mark

- Post May minutes
- Revise parent player handbook. We recommend helmets that are certified. If you are interested in purchasing your own helmet, contact the following vendors:

Greg

- Ask Tom K. for "registrar" access
- Send out BIG football fundraiser flyer to football families
- Meet with Derek and Coach Niklaus about Huskie week planning.
- Order equipment from Riddell website as part of USA football grant. Deadline is end of June.

Rick/Matt

- Notify coaches of what will be expected of them regarding the Heads Up implementation. Goal is early July.
- Have a draft revision of the Team Formation Policy and possibly the Coach Selection Policy ready for board approval
- Be ready to nominate head coaches

Dan/Derek

- Coordinate the repair of shoulder pads

Paul/Rick F

- Call Cassie to reserve C1 and C3 for football this fall.
- Figure out where to put teams on fields for practice.



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Motion to adjourn at 8:34 PM.