

**Blaine Bengal Dugout Club Meeting**  
**March 9th, 2016**  
**7:00 Room 101**

Board Members:

Ernie Johnson – President  
Mark Sonaglia – Vice President  
Mike Laciskey – Treasurer  
Wendy Chudek – Secretary  
Scott Wuertz – Senior Parent  
Pete Riola – Junior Parent  
Deanne Miller – Sophomore Parent  
Diane Mullins – Freshman Parent

Board in attendance: Coach Feigum, Ernie Johnson, Mark Sonaglia, Mike Laciskey, Wendy Chudek, Pete Riola, Deanne Miller, Diane Mullins

Others in attendance: Eric Pardo, Scott Poundstone, Rick Fanning, Kyle Haring

Not in attendance: Scott Wuertz

1. Finance Update
  - a. Dugout Club has enough money to continue with batting cage construction. Approximately \$3000 will be required for completion.
  - b. Wendy presented a check for a new batting cage sponsorship from Clive's Roadhouse. Continuing to pursue other sponsorships.
  - c. Wendy gave invoice to Mike for shirt purchase from the winter clinic.
2. Winter Clinic Update.
  - a. 45 kids signed up, a majority are 9th graders.
  - b. Good clinic, everyone seemed to enjoy it.
  - c. There may be an opportunity to add in 13U and 14U next year, maybe pair up with Blaine Traveling.
3. Cub Bagging
  - a. Wendy confirmed date and times - Friday, March 25th 10AM - 6PM.
  - b. Since tryouts continue through Thursday the 24th, final bagging schedule will be posted by 8:00AM on Friday the 25th.
  - c. Deanne and Ernie to finalize bagging schedule and have Wendy post to website.
  - d. Players that did not attend fall bagging session are expected to attend spring session.
  - e. Wendy to send out e-mail with bagging times and expectations.
4. Tryout schedule
  - a. Tryouts are scheduled for the week of March 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - b. If the weather is nice, tryouts will be held outside from 3:00 - 5:00, including freshmen.
  - c. Wendy to work with Eric to send out informational e-mail to clarify tryout plan based on weather.
  - d. Dates are posted on website calendar.
  - e. Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup> will be final cut day.
5. VFW tournament update.
  - a. 14 confirmed teams, hoping for 16 total. (Includes 2 Blaine teams)
  - b. BBC fields 1,3,5

6. Player Banquet
  - a. Confirmed for Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 5:30PM Majestic Oaks.
  - b. Dugout club agreed that there should be a raffle at the banquet.
  - c. Pete to contact Majestic Oaks to see if they have a gambling license to hold the raffle under.
  - d. We can't lose money on the banquet - determine how many kids to expect so a cost per person can be determined.
7. Season Kickoff Meeting
  - a. March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 8:00PM, in Fieldhouse
  - b. All Dugout members should plan to attend to help out.
  - c. Mike to collect money for player packs.
  - d. Have copies of sponsor fundraising information for distribution.
8. Discount Cards
  - a. Cards are similar to last year.
  - b. All players are expected to participate and sell tickets- Average of 20 cards per player.
  - c. Kickoff: 3/29/16 at 2:40 in IMC
  - d. Checkpoint: 4/1/16, players should have 10 cards sold
  - e. Checkpoint: 4/8/16, players should have 20 cards sold
  - f. Blitz: 4/13/16 5:30 – 8:00PM all players
9. Additional fundraising ideas.
  - a. Pizza night fundraiser
    - i. Consider for a summer option or a 2017 family kickoff.
    - ii. Pete to look into and report back.
10. 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization
  - a. Board agrees that Blaine Baseball should become a 501(c)(3) organization.
  - b. Ernie to look into process and report back.