

August 17, 2016
Blaine Bengal Dugout Club Meeting Minutes
7:00pm Broadway Pizza, Blaine

Board Members & in Attendance:

Ernie Johnson – President
 – Vice President
Mike Laciskey – Treasurer
Diane Mullins – Secretary
Pete Riola – Senior Parent
Deanne Miller – Junior Parent
Chad Spencer – Sophomore Parent
 – Freshman Parent
Director - Eric Feigum

Mark Sonaglia & Scott Wuertz have completed their commitments.

Mike Laciskey announced his resignation for September, 2016 at the end of the fiscal year.

Thank you for your past commitment and involvement! You will all be missed and we welcome your involvement.

We have 3 open positions that will need to be assigned by the start of the 2017 Baseball season - Vice President and Treasurer each 2 year commitments, and a Freshman Parent representative. The current President and Secretary (also 2 yr positions) will mature at the end of the 2017 season. We will need to rally our Baseball parents in November when we start the training schedules, etc. so we have commitments by March.

1. Finance Update

- a. We have a balance of \$6500; Collected \$1500 Apparel sales (we will do that again by ordering mass quantities of pants, shirts, hats, hoodies & women's items); Banquet \$1500; Winter clinics \$2300 (Pete will try to arrange more clinics. He & Ernie will coach the Captains on organizing their clinics/practices); Card sales and Cub bagging \$15000 (We have scheduled Cub bagging at Northtown Saturday November 19 before Thanksgiving; Blaine location planned for Good Friday) We will research to see if we can do our own Card donations/production/sales this year so to lower the expense and gain the income; VFW games broke even.
- b. Scholarships - We have (2) \$250 each scholarships awarded. Mike Laciskey will mail directly to schools referencing kid's names.
- c. High School State Tournament- GoFundMe account raised \$735 net/ \$750 from other Blaine clubs/ \$250 Dugout club.
- d. Ernie has worked hard with the State to reinstate our 501c3 and will file the In Good Standing documents and pay fee's to get all finalized so we can do more fundraising. He will speak to Gretchen to see if as Dugout Club 501c3 we're allowed to do own cards, if there's contract we need from vendor's, etc.
- e. Ernie negotiated with the City and We agreed to pay \$500 in the spring towards the new Homebase cover at the BBC Field 1 and order it larger to cover more than just the base.

2. Bi-Laws - The Dugout Club needs to file Bi-Laws. We will research internet, etc. and create as there doesn't seem to be current Bi-Laws
3. 2017 Tryouts - Families were inquiring about spring break plans/ tryouts. Eric announced, and noted on website, that 2017 Tryouts will be the Monday after Spring Break March 20.
4. Next Meeting - November 2, 2016 BHS 7 pm