



***BATBA Board Meeting Minutes (2/13/2025)***  
***8:00pm @ Hanson House***

**Attendees**

Lindsey Hanson  
Marc Bjorkland  
Lindsey Kirkham  
Ryan Busch  
Chris Cazin  
Chris Coleman  
Steven Miller  
Jenna Coauette  
Katelyn Glowacki  
Andy Burmeister

**Title**

President  
Vice President  
Treasurer  
Communications/Social Media Director  
Travel Director (13-14U)  
Senior Advisor & Traveling Director (12U)  
Assistant Tournament Director  
Fundraising  
Equipment & Scheduling Director  
Tournament Director

**Absent**

Erik Peterson

**Title**

Traveling Director (9U-11U)

- Treasury Report
  - Lindsey shared the treasury report.
- Fundraising Updates
  - Beer Bust scheduled for April 12, 2025 at Route 65
    - Need to get all the details figured out including:
      - Should we do a raffle? What does that look like? Get sponsors to provide raffle items?
      - Staffing, last year we had 4 volunteers handing out wristbands and collecting funds. Ryan to add Dibs spots based on total number of volunteers needed.
      - Another idea would be to have players handing out cards out of a deck of cards for a drawing.
      - Wine pull? Would Route 65 be willing to provide or sell wine at a discount?
      - Silent auction? Each team to submit a basket?
  - Walmart
    - Application opens in March
  - Twins Fund
    - Submitting application, but have additional question to answer. Jenna and Marc completing.
    - Asking for \$15k, goal is to submit 2/18/25, and all responses are due no later than 2/21/25.
  - Next Level Athlete signed on for signs at all fields.

- Blaine Youth Hockey (scheduled for March 17, 2025 Board Meeting)
    - Need to update the slides and decide what we want to propose (Jenna to update).
- Apparel/Uniform Updates
  - All orders submitted
  - Potential change in spirit wear vendor. Other options for spirit wear and uniform vendors include:
    - Voho
    - Advanced
    - Tahoe
    - Letterman
- Equipment Updates
  - Extra catchers gear, sell on the Facebook page?
    - Tier pricing based on quality? Ball had done this in the past to with some success.
    - Limited flight balls from IM Sports, given to 9s and have an 2 extra dozen at the barn.
    - IM Sports could offer a 15% off discount of bats from his website for our membership.
    - Dicks Sporting Goods discount typically available around the end of March. Communicate that to our membership when available.
- Facilities Updates
  - 15x15 pads for each Peterson cage, cost is ~\$7,300, half of which would be paid for by SLP. Marc motioned for vote, approved.
  - Windscreens need to be added to cloverleaf and Lexington dugouts, 6 total, ~\$1k. Marc motioned or vote, approved.
  - Need to look into artificial turf options to go on top of the new concrete pads at Peterson.
- Traveling Director Updates
  - Connected Coaches Vote
    - \$16,200 for a 3-year commitment.
    - Library, 1 hitting review for each player, zoom meeting and practice.
    - Chris motioned for vote, board approved 3-year commitment at \$16,200, with the packages as-is, but would try to add another hitting review (possibly remove the strength program). Also try to get a termination clause for non-performance. Going with base package for 9U-10U and highest package for 11-14U. Ryan to review contract and suggest/incorporate changes requested by the board.
- Tournament Updates
  - Reviewed rules, updated pitching numbers. Plan is to vote in upcoming meeting to final rules.
  - Visitors guide, fundraising opportunity, running aces, and other hotels in the area?
  - Tourney shirts stores are up and running. Ordered shirts will be sorted and delivered to the fields. All coaches and managers will get email regarding the link to the tourney shirts.
  - Molded Trophies production could start the week of February 17, 2025.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place to receive medals. Marc to update order to include the 2<sup>nd</sup> place order.
- Social Media/Communication Updates

- Manager Meeting – 2/23/25, 7pm zoom call.
  - Photo date (4/22/25) to be added to all teams Sports Engine accounts. Ryan to review how we can add events to all teams calendar.
  - Upcoming MYAS and Gopher State Umpire Events, registration starts 3/1/25, updated on the MYAS website. Ryan to provide Lindsey with flyer from MYAS website and then send out email to our membership with dates/times/locations of the events.
  - Blaine Traveling Baseball Water Bottle and Tumbler Fundraiser. Will reach out to vendor and set this up again.
- Open Discussion