

Fusion Board Meeting

1/19/2025 at 8:00pm @ Local 701

Attendance:

Jamie, Lexi, Jeanie, Jeremy
Absent: Jen, Nate, Tim
Guest: AJ M.

Agenda:

Motion to approve by Jeanie and seconded by Lexi, passed unanimously.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve December 15th Meeting Minutes by Jeremy and seconded by Lexi, passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report:

- Current Balance:
 - \$27,821.71
- Profit & Loss Statement or 2024 year-end & January 2025

Motion to approve Treasurer Report by Lexi and seconded by Jeremy, passed unanimously.

Board Members:

- Email blast was sent out to families this past week for open board positions.(Secretary & Treasurer Positions to be filled asap)
 - AJ has an interest in possible joining the board, but needs some more time to think on it
 - At this time no other commitments to join.

Action Item: Jamie to send out additional emails to get more interest.

Travel Team Assessments:

- Some age levels have low numbers and further discussion will need to be had after tryouts on the next steps.
 - Possibility of doing a partnership with Deacon Flames and maybe further discussions with WF United.
- NDSU to provide (8) players to do assessments
- Assessment: 5:30-6:30pm January 26 & Winter Skills: 6:30-8:00pm.

Action Item: Jamie to send out details to players trying out and an update to Winter Skills players

WF Fusion/WF United:

- WF United has made the decision for the 2025 year, that they will stay as their own team.
- Lauren has been invited to join any Board Meeting to get a better understanding of how Fusion works.

Action Item: Jamie to have continued discussions with Lauren to try make a partnership work.

FARGO AREA FASTPITCH MEETING:

- Fargo Area willing to take on Spring League
 - Create & Maintain schedule and umpires
- January 15 meeting discussed rules for the league
- Fargo Area will be sending out invites to surrounding communities about the leagues.
- Next Meeting is set for February 5, 2025
- Coaches Clinic set for April 27, 2025

Action Item: Fusion to change registration to end April 15, 2025, to allow coaches selection before the Clinic.

Players Fees:

- Spring League Fees
 - No 2nd – 5th Grade, but may do some clinics

Motion to move registration open date to February 17th 2025 by Jeanie and seconded by Jeremy, passed unanimously.

- Summer League Fees

Motion to set fees as follows: 8u - \$250 10u/12u/14u/16u - \$350 by Lexi and seconded by Jeremy, passed unanimously.

Administrative Piller:

- Advertising - Nothing was in January Kid or Teen Ventures.

Action Item: Jamie to work with Jen to get ad submitted for March addition

Community Connection Piller:

- Katelyn Pavey – Spoke at a coaches workshop Jamie attended in Minneapolis
 - Jamie spoke with her and asked her to send information on what opportunities she provides for speaking events
 - Jamie spoke with WF United, and they would have an interest in joining in on an event

Facilities/Events Piller:

- Concordia – Letter was sent to the AD to see if there is an opportunity to rent field space again for the summer.
- WF Schools – Working to find out what fields will be available and what the fee structure will be for the summer.
- Equipment Needs – Jeremy is hoping there will not be much needed, 10" softballs will be needed now that 8u will be using them also for League.

Fusion Pride Piller:

- Trading Pins – Jeanie provided Jamie with all the details from 2023 & 2024 orders for tradingpins.com

Action Item: Someone needs to be delegated to take over trading pins for 2025 season

Finance Piller:

- Sponsorship Forms – updates need to be made to current form

Action Item: Jeanie to update form and send to Board for review

- Sponsorships/Grant Options – FM Area Community Foundation, Midco Grant, ND Gaming

Action Item: Jeremy to look into grant options & speak with Sand Bar for a sponsorship. Jeanie to provide board with more details on ND Gaming Funds Request.

New Business:

- Jeanie informed Board that the 2024 Handbook needs to be reviewed for any changes and updates should be discussed at February board meeting.
- Jeremy informed the board of the Scheels Bat Demo Day at The Ball Yard on Feb 16 & 17 and that it should be a high priority for Fusion Players to attend this event and represent Fusion.

Action Item: Jeanie to create a flyer for the event to notify Fusion players that Winter Skills that day will include batting at the demo.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jeanie and seconded by Lexi, passed unanimously.

Next Board Meetings:

-Closed Team Selections Board Meeting will be January 29th at 6:00pm at Local 701.

-Monthly Board Meeting will be February 16th at 8:00pm at Local 701.