

# Brainerd Baxter Baseball Association BBBA

## November Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: November 13, 2023

Meeting Time: 7:00 pm Central Time

Meeting Location: Riverwood Bank, 14540 Dellwood Drive, Baxter, MN 56425

### **Call to Order:**

7:06 pm central time

### **Present:**

President	Chris Velasco
VP	Corey Johnson
Treasurer	Matt Castle
Secretary	Andy Campbell
Director	Jeremiah Piepkorn
Director	Phil Berg

### **Absent:**

Director	Nate Olson
Director	Matt Means
Director	Mike DeRosier

### **Additions to Agenda/Approval of Agenda/Approval of Minutes**

Approval of November 2023 Agenda

- Motion By: Matt Castle
- Seconded By: Jeremiah Piepkorn
- Motion carried

Approval of Meeting Minutes from February, March, April, July and October 2023

- Motion By: Corey Johnson
- Seconded By: Andy Campbell
- Motion carried

Additions to Agenda:

- Jeremiah P. spoke to the Brainerd Basketball Association president, Tim Bauman, about potentially inquiring about using Forestview Middle School marquee sign to promote

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- BBBA winter skills or any other Association-related announcements we may want to promote.
- Discussion on our insurance situation and where to go with that.
- Brief discussion on what our home tournaments will look like.

### Open Forum:

#### President/VP Report – Chris/Corey

- Expectations Moving Forward
  - Making as many meetings as possible. The by-laws
- Creation of Committees
  - Fundraising/Sponsorship
  - Bylaws (Executive Committee)
  - Uniforms & Equipment
  - Tournament
  - Scheduling
  - Finance
  - Volunteer/Team Manager (game changer app & iPads)
  - Player Development (including tryouts, collaborating with high school coaches including winter skills, coach & team selection)
  - Media Marketing/Recruitment/Retention/Social Media
  - Grievance (3 non-coach board members + someone from the HR field)
- 14AAA GSTC 2024
  - We are going to host again in 2024
  - We are tasked with securing hotel rooms
    - Connect with Visit Brainerd to see if they can help be a go-between with local hotels
  - Need to find a crop of volunteers for this tournament
    - Connect with Coach Fairbanks to see if the high school kids can help?
    - Let them run with it and the Association will make a donation to the high school program

#### Treasurer's Report – Matt C.

- Up to Date Financials available to look over

- Financials are looking good – currently \$55k in the bank (\$14k earmarked in team accounts), approximately \$44k in the bank this time last year
- \$3k good-will donation to the city of Baxter being considered for 2024 – desire to call a meeting with the City for when this donation is given
- Tax return has been filed

Secretary – Andy

- Ideas in past minutes that need to be discussed, see attached

**New Business:**

- Appoint Committee Chairs
  - Matt Castle – Finance Committee/Fundraising & Sponsorship
  - Jeremiah Piepkorn – Player Development
  - Andy Campbell – Media Marketing/Recruiting/Retention/Social Media
  - Corey Johnson –Uniforms/Equipment
  - Phil Berg – Grievance
  - Chris Velasco – Scheduling
  - Mike DeRosier – Tournament (home & 14AAA)/Volunteer
- Schedule AA Tournaments – Chris
  - 9-14U AA and AAA slots set up for our home tournament
- Couple people to review Bylaws and Handbook to align better with each other
  - Executive Committee will review and come back to Board with suggestions
- Electronic signage at Forestview
- Insurance – Matt will bring forth some quotes and schedule a meeting for the Association to get their own policy.

Motion to approve a \$3k payment to the City of Baxter for use of their fields and the use of their warming house made by Phil Berg and seconded by Jeremiah Piepkorn. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn made by: Matt Castle

Seconded by: Corey Johnson

Motion carried unanimously