BLFPA Annual Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2019

**Opening:**

The Annual Meeting of the Big Lake Fast Pitch Association (BLFPA) was called to order at 6:35 p.m. on Wednesday, October 9, 2019, in the Big Lake High School Cafeteria by Matt Baufield, President.

**Present:**

Board Members

Matt Baufield – President Kim Bowen – Varsity Coach

Michelle Fjone – Vice President Kris Lund – Secretary

Wayne Howe – In-house Coordinator Tony Loftus – Treasurer

Kris Knodle – Travel Coordinator

Other Attendees

Jon Windorski

Kelly and Brad Bowne

**Old Business:**

1. Matt Baufield reported there were **98 girls in our summer program** (75 travel/23 in-house).
2. Matt Baufield also reported that our 16U team took 1st place at State Qualifier and 4th place at State; 14U black won the Big West league; 12U black took 4th place at State and 3rd place at Nationals.
3. The **12U and 16U State tournaments this past summer** we hosted were very successful. We were promised to host 10U and 12U fall State tournaments in September but the league took those away from BLFPA at the last minute. Overall summer league was a success.
4. There were a few issues with **CE** reported Michelle Fjone but we will work through them.

**New Business:**

1. **Surveys for summer ball** by Kim Bowen**.** We received 49 total responses – most were positive**.**
2. **Voting for Open Board Positions.** There were 12 people who voted and each candidate was voted in unanimously. New board members include: Vice President - Wayne Howe; Treasurer - Tony Loftus; and In-House - Jon Windorski.

**Open Discussion:**

1. **10U summer teams.** Brad/Kelly Bowne don’t want the 10U team split equally. They reported it was very hard on the pitchers when their defense couldn’t help them out because some players were new. Wayne Howe would like to split equally again next year but will have to see how the numbers end up. Tony Loftus and Jon Windorski would like to see more 8U players start pitching earlier and to get them into the clinics.
2. **Hitting clinics.** Brad/Kelly Bowne mentioned since BLFPA has money in the bank account we should be able to hire a hitting coach, offer weight trainer and/or fielding clinics. Kris Knodle said we need to remember we are a community team, not a club team. Kim Bowen is going to be working on finding a hitting coach. Kelly Bowne mentioned SWAT (Mike Kindry) out of Monticello or Kim Winsberger (4th grade teacher) may be possibilities.

**Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn the Annual Meeting was made 7:28 p.m. by Kim Bowen, Michelle Fjone seconded the motion and the attending board was unanimously in favor. The next public annual meeting will be on Wednesday, November 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Big Lake High School Cafeteria.

Minutes submitted by: Kris Lund, Secretary

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_