



## Bearcat Families & Friends,

It hard to believe we are 4 weeks into the regular season already and with so much going on, the season will be over before we know it. We have many new board members this year, and with new leadership comes new ideas. We are working to evolve as a league and build on so much success our predecessors accomplished. We appreciate your understanding and support as changes are made, new processes are implemented, and we learn as we go. I would like to touch on a few items and let everyone know of a few upcoming things.

**Volunteering:** During registration everyone acknowledged the requirement for volunteering. To host home games and run the organization, volunteers are crucial to making it work. Unfortunately, the handful of volunteer board members cannot set everything up, break everything down, pick-up tasks for running games or prepping items such as signs or goodies for the football/cheer players. Having hosted our first home games in a few years these past couple weekends, I want to say a huge “Thank You” to all the volunteers that helped set everything up, run a busy concession stand, operate the score board, support the games with chain gang and break everything down and pack up. Please ensure you are utilizing the Dibs platform in SportsEngine to lock in your timeslots.

**Open Board Meeting:** On October 9<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00PM-7:00PM, we will be hosting an open board meeting. We will cover several items scheduled for remainder of season but most importantly have the entire board available together to answer your questions. This is an opportunity to raise any concerns and the goal will be to resolve all issues on the spot if possible. The meeting will be held in the great room at the Monroe Senior Community Center. 276 Sky River Pkwy, Monroe, WA 98272.

**Open Board Positions:** Board positions are reopened for applications and voting every 2 years. In October we will be posting for several positions that are up for revote. We are in process of rewriting and fine tuning the position duties and will have them posted to our website prior to the October board meeting. If you have any questions about any position, please email me directly.

*Secretary-* Document manger. Meeting scheduling, agendas and keeping minutes. Managing state required documentation and more.

*Treasurer-* All financial management including regular P&L statements, bookkeeping, fund raising income organization and taxes. Accounting background preferred.

*Equipment Manager-* Manage inventory and electronic log of all player, coach, medical and game gear and equipment. Ensure timely communication and coordination of equipment ordering or repair. Schedule and manage all equipment assignments, returns and more.

*Webmaster/Registrar-* Ensure website is updated regularly. Manage opening and technical support for registration through SportsEngine. Update board and coaches on registration status monthly or upon request. Manage Dibs program for volunteering and scholarship programs.

*Promotions Manager-* Manage posts and communication on all social media platforms, build relationships with community businesses for sponsorships, be aware of community events that MYFA may partake in, work with team moms on fund raising opportunities and more.

*Concessions Manager-* Manage stock and purchasing needs for concession trailer. Manage volunteers for concessions set up, break down and cleaning. Present board with financial information, partner with treasuring on expense and profits, manage Square and POS systems/equipment. Coordinate concessions use and community events.

**Cheer:** It has been wonderful to see cheer return after a few Covid years without. As with anything else, new leaders are adjusting to known and unknown circumstances while working to implement new ideas and ways of doing things. We understand that there are a few growing pains in areas such as uniforms, practice time/locations and coming together as a coaching group to have a unified program. We continue to support each other and work through problems as they arise.

**Team Store:** Our team store vendor has received ½ of the order and anticipate receiving the rest this week. They will be organizing items by order for us, and we are working hard to have all items handed out by Friday.

Thank you,

Go Bearcats!

Nick Manson

MYFA President

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