



**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, July 24, 2023, 7:00 PM**  
**Filotimo Restaurant @ Dover Bowl**

DYSL Board of Directors (mark those present with an "X")

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President – JAMIE STEVENS	<input type="checkbox"/> 6U Division Director – MIKE ANGRISANO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice President – NATALIE SACCOCCIA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8U Division Director – LANCE KEELTY
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer – BRUCE THORNER	<input type="checkbox"/> 10U Division Director – STEVE HALLINAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary – NATALIE SACCOCCIA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12U Division Director – KEITH FORTIER
<input type="checkbox"/> Past President – SCOTT SMITH	<input type="checkbox"/> 16U Division Director – AMY CHAPMAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Sponsorship – PATTY KINNICUT	<input type="checkbox"/> Director of Coaches – STEVE SHEPARD
<input type="checkbox"/> Registrar – OPEN	<input type="checkbox"/> Director of Media – OPEN
<input type="checkbox"/> Director of Concession Stand – KRISTAL SMALL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Liaison – ANDY BELAIR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Equipment – TODD LAFOND	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> League Scheduler – JOSH ROBERGE
<input type="checkbox"/> Director of Facilities – OPEN	

**16 Positions Filled, 15 Members, Quorum: 8**

- 1) **Call to Order:** meeting called to order at 7: 07pm.
- 2) **Citizen's Forum:** opportunity for non-board members, 3 present. No concerns.
- 3) **Regular Business**
  - a) Meeting Minutes:
    - i) Review/Vote Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2023, June 27, 2023, & July 10, 2023; motion to accept by Todd, seconded by Keith. Questions or discussion? Yes, June 27 meeting minutes spelling correction. 8/9 in favor yes.
  - b) Treasurer's Report- Jason called Jamie with joint account about a cut check. Email was forwarded to Bruce to assist with locating that.
    - i) Current Accounts
      - (1) League Checking: \$24,375.47 (\$3,236.93 obligated) (reported 7/10/23)
      - (2) DYSL All-Star Teams Acct: \$12,400.16 (reported 6/27/23)
      - (3) DYSL Concessions Acct.: \$7,873.56 (reported 7/10/23)
      - (4) Shaw's Ln. Concession Building: \$2,702.46 (reported 6/27/23)
      - (5) Special Revenue Fund: \$1313.52 (reported 7/10/23)
- 4) **Old Business**
  - a) Facilities Director -
    - i) Murray Field Project Status-alternative contractor is booked and now unavailable this year. Wayne McKay Excavation and Wade Landscaping will be coming to look at this. More to come.



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ii) Field Maintenance Work

- (1) Decision(s) which work to accomplish Aug-Nov.
  - (a) South Side Field Work- take down batting cage and put away. Looking to reinforce batting cage netting; discussed options. Priority tasks include: water heater (Todd needs help to transport), infield mix, downed tree.
  - (b) Shaw's Ln. Field Work-priority tasks cut back bush, infield mix (3 truckloads needed), cutting grass back at multiple fields.

8U field was overseeded by the city this year. Jamie suggested drafting an email to contacting to the city. Natalie offered to draft email, Jamie to help provide pictures.

b) BRL SportsEngine Website

- (1) Decide Soon - League Athletics site disappears 8/30. Bruce reported they have given us a free website. Keith has a background in website design. In looking at the free website (for the next year mentioned by Bruce), there is an option to migrate with an \$800 fee following thereafter with a 3% fee for transactions. Keith willing to take this on and will coordinate with other board members that are interested.

(a) Coaching Appl. Necessary-

Approvals are needed for the upcoming year:

- Ashley Cherry (Head coach summer and assist spring for 8U)
- Patty Kinnicutt
- Chris Clancy- 12U Head Assist
- Josh Roberge- 12 U Assist
- Andrew Pixley- Assist with 6 or 10U
- Steve Shepard- 12 U Head
- Jacqueline Porter-10U Head/Assist
- Keith Fortier8/10/12 U Head/Assist
- Emily Tucci- 10 U Head
- Todd LaFond- 10 U Head/Assist
- Trevor Cherry- 8 or 12U

Motion to accept coach's applications by Josh, seconded by Lance. All in favor 9/9 yes.

- (b) Survey results to be compiled – Survey ends 8/15. Thirty responses already. Keith recommended that coaching directors send out an email to remind families to respond. Keith to prepare report. Natalie asked Keith to forward the surveys that reports concerns about the Shaw's Lane fields. Lance suggesting that we have more space to help keep up with maintenance. Discussed difficulty with field coordinators.
- (c) Subcommittee needed- Keith to send an email to the board. Other people may be interested, TBD.



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- c) Fall Softball Update- Keith interested in 12 U, Ashley interested in 8 U. Lance and Patty for 10U (part of the time), Todd could help Ashley.
- ii) Are Teams/Coaches decided? Yes, each division is responsible for recruiting. Trevor to send an email for 8 U.
- iii) Are players being recruited? 10 U email needs to be sent to inquire. Patty to send.

Each division directors asked to report back at the next meeting in terms of coaching and player interest.

d) 2024 Season

- ii) Dover Attack Teams- 8U, 10U, and 12U
  - (1) Coaching apps submitted? Yes.
  - (2) Tryout dates? August 8<sup>th</sup> and possibly 10<sup>th</sup>. No fall 8U try outs.
    - (a) 14U
    - (b) 12U
    - (c) 10U
- iii) Spring Season Pre-plan
  - (1) League Expansion/Increase Membership
    - (a) Ideas- advertisement (families don't always see the communications), emailing other leagues, communicate with other league Presidents, PCP offices, schools, Chamber. Discussed about expansion for numbers with other leagues. Discussed communication with USA and Babe Ruth Leagues. Three months needed to approve flyer. Could also arrange for learning/trying night to help parents determine their child's interest.

**5) New Business**

- c) Indoor Practices Plan- need to determine what the league will offer (e.g., Attack). Discussion between grouping players and locations that can accommodate. Table the discussion to revisit next week. Board may need to sit down with the Recreation Department.
- d) Age restrictions for players- adopting USA age recruitments starts 6U players later, and keeps some players longer in 10U.

**6) Final Topics**

- a) Actions Review
- b) Final Comments/Concerns
  - Natalie to draft an email to send to the City of Dover from League re: Shaw's Lane
  - Keith to reach out to board to inquire with website transition
  - Division directors to reach out to families for coaching and player interest
  - Board asked to brainstorm ideas for structuring winter clinic that supports both Attack and Rec players.



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7) **Adjourn**- motion to adjourn Todd, seconded by Jamie at 9:10pm. All in favor 9/9.

**Meeting Schedule:**

- Monday, Aug 7th
- Monday, Aug 14<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>