



Board Members

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Call to Order

Nick called the regular Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:01 pm at the Lakeville Chamber of Commerce in Lakeville, MN. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

- Present: Steve Schumacher, Richie Brodsky, Heidi Hebert, Sharon Raasch, Amanda Gage-Didier, Bob Curtis, Jenn Bernard, Dave Gindorff, Jesse Bueno, Sue Boxrud, Nate Teppo, Nick Borsdorf, Nicole Sederski-Vadnais
- Absent: Allison Carpenter, Craig Dose, Justin Larson
- Guests: Jason Heading

Approve Agenda

- Agenda reviewed with no additions
- Motion by Amanda to approve the agenda for the meeting
- Seconded and carried without dissent

Approve Minutes of Last Meeting

- Minutes of the September 24, 2023 board meeting were reviewed and one change noted, Bob Curtis was not present
- Motion by Steve to approve the meeting minutes
- Seconded and carried without dissent

Reports

- Finance Report: September Financials
 - Approx \$29K revenue for month, expenditures \$1.5K over budget, YTD approx. \$67K revenue favorable over budget for the month

Old Business

- 2023/2024 Board Meetings
 - October 29, 2023
 - November 19, 2023 (Thanksgiving)
 - December 17, 2023 (Christmas/New Year's)
 - January 28, 2024
 - February 25, 2024
 - March 24, 2024

- April 28, 2024
- May 19, 2024 (Memorial Day)
- June 23, 2024
- July 21, 2024 (NAFA July 25-28, 2024)
- August 25, 2024
- Review of By-laws
 - No updates
- 2024 Evaluations/Team Formation Recap
 - Using Flex Sports there were a number of good things and a number of improvements to be made
 - Communication needed next year to make sure parents are signing their player up appropriately, there were several pitchers signed up but said they were not pitchers
 - Only a small handful of parent complaints from team placements
 - Discussion surrounding placement of players and possibly getting fall evaluations of players
 - 6 10U teams, 4 12U teams, 1 14U team (2 players needed)
- Tournament Updates
 - Lakeville Classic, May 10-12, 2024
 - Live for registration, USSSA, TourneyMachine, MN Softball
 - Grand Slam, June 28-30, 2024
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 - Capping at 100 teams
- Fundraising Events Update
 - Wreath Fundraiser: 7 participants, \$775 net revenue
 - Evaluate effort versus benefit of events
 - Sue evaluating Opt In Text Messaging option to get the word out there on our events
 - LBC Fundraiser, 10/30/2023, LFSA gets 10% of net profits

New Business

- MN Softball 2023 Directors Meeting
 - Tournament dates need to be submitted to be included in scorebooks
 - Umpire costs increasing, more information to follow
 - Softball costs \$70/case for Dudley's (preferred), \$60/case for AD Starr (recommended for practice balls)
 - Implementing guest player function on MN Softball website
 - Watching and monitoring new age requirements closely
 - New rule change for 10U+ re: intentional walk, call time, no need for four pitches
- Key dates
 - 10U/12U State Qualifier: TBD 6/22/2024
 - 10U/12U State: TBD 6/29/2024
 - 14U State Qualifier and State: TBD after 10U/12U confirmed
 - 10U Monsta: 7/25-28/2024
 - 12U/14U/HS Monsta: 8/1-4/2024
 - Fall Start: 8/24/2024
 - Fall State: 9/28/2024
 - Fall Classic: 9/13-15/2024
 - 2025 Evaluations: 10/5/2024
- Off Season Training
 - At SZS: over capacity, Sarah addressed, 10A/12A and 10B/12B groups will alternate weeks
 - AT LNHS dome: discussed equipment needs, point of contact requested on site by SZS
- Contracts
 - LNHS dome: contract established for 2023/2024, new contract for 2024/2025 should include Jan/Feb 2024 clinincs

- Cages: contract established for Jan/Feb 2024 clinics, final payment due two weeks prior to the clinics starting
- Catchers Gear Incentive
 - Dave to look further into options

Future meeting topics

- Review of board member duties
- Update team manager role description
 - How to run website; Nationals pins and costumes; End of year party; Coaches gifts
- Finalize summer 2024 dibs requirements
 - Creation of a dibs schedule over winter/spring to be released to families all at once so families can make plans
- Miracle League, Nate to contact and Sue to handle partnership
- Website overhaul – Amanda, Sharon, Sue

Closing

- Motion for meeting adjournment by Nick at 9:10 pm
- Seconded and carried without dissent

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Heidi Hebert 10/29/2023