

Bloomington Fastpitch Association

Meeting Minutes – December 2nd, 2013

I. Call to Order

Karen Johnson called to order the regular meeting of the Bloomington Fastpitch Association Board of Directors at 7:06PM on Monday December 2nd, 2013 at the Bloomington Center for the Arts, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN.

II. Attendance

The following persons were present:

Board Members: Karen Johnson, Cathy Currier, Sarah Johnson, Melissa Walter, Craig Johnson, , Mark Pearson, Grant Effertz, Carol Effertz, Gary Hanson, Stacy Acketz. Tony Acketz, and Mike Kopischke.

Non-board Member: Bob Christiansen, Amy Christiansen, Tod Deming, Mark Flugstad, Jim Hanson Jr., Jim Hanson Sr., Jeff Walker, Greg Westendorf

III. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Motion made by Karen Johnson and seconded by Melissa Walter that we approve the minutes from November 4th 2013. MOTION PASSED.

IV. Old Business

- BASH Tournament dates
 - The BFA BASH will be June 6th-8th. The Elite BASH will be June 20th-22nd.
 - Raise prices as follows: Elite-\$325.00, 10U and up- \$325.00, 8U-\$150.00
 - All will be at Dred Scott we do not need Kelly.
 - No 16U's we will send our 16U's to a different tourney.
 - We will get them posted on Fastsports.
- U10 NAFA Parade Location
 - The football stadium is not available due to parking.

V. New Business

- Financial Assistance/Scholarship policy.
 - Discussion- Financial assistance or one time scholarship program.
 - Karen will make revisions and we will recirculate and vote at January meeting.
- Board Officers Directors-Recommended update to Bylaws Article 4
 - The VP position will be more managing coach relation and coordinate administrative duties.
 - Karen made motion for Player Development to be Player/Coach development and move to a 2 year Officer position. Cathy second MOTION PASSED.
- 2012/2013 Fiscal year close out status
 - There is \$1100.00 for the High School teams that was not paid out this year(\$550.00 each) We will get them checks cut to close that out.
- 2013/2014 baseline budget
 - Will keep High Schools at \$550.00 each
 - Will not count on the Fall Tourney
 - Will recirculate via email and approve in January meeting.
- Review BFA purpose / Goal statement
 - Will move to January meeting
- Player Retention
 - Karen made a motion to add an additional 14U Clutch team for summer, Craig 2nd MOTION PASSED.
 - This team will be built around Bloomington girls. 5 Must be Bloomington Players.
 - Try-out will be end of December.
- 2014 Summer Registration
 - We will have early online registration for past players, starting on January 14th and close on February 4th. In person registration for all will be on February 9th & 11th.
 - It will be first come first serve, will have waiting lists.
 - Assistant coaches still pay full price and there is no discount for Board members.
 - Hoping to have Credit Card capabilities at registration.
- January Agenda

VI. Directors Reports

- President's Report: Karen Johnson
- Vice President's Report: Cathy Currier
 - We need to have a new key made for PO Box as we are missing one.
- Treasurer's Report: Sarah Johnson.
- Secretary's Report: Melissa Walter
- Commissioner's Report: Craig Johnson
 - We purchased a new fence from Craigs List for \$500.00.
- Facilities Coordinator: Mark Pearson
- Communications Director: Grant Effertz
 - Make updates to registration form
- Member Services & Membership Report: Carol Effertz
 - Spirit wear update: We sold 33 items during the Holiday sale.
- Marketing Director Report: Gary Hanson
 - Met with Stacy, will discuss at January Meeting
- Fundraising Director: Stacy Acketz
 - Looking for sponsorship for Shed.
 - Catch the Fire fundraiser
 - Opening Day- BFA Blast off- 1st weekend in May
 - 8's. 10's. 12's play each other and 14's & 16's help fun games and concessions
 - Have some team mascots there.
- Player Development: Tony Acketz
 - BFA Coaches clinic- December 20th 6-9pm at Game Changers. Will have it all filmed.
 - Coach the Coach Handbook update: 8's and 10's are done started 12's. Goal is to be done by end of December.
- Tournament Director: Mike Kopischke

VII. Open Comments

VIII. Adjournment

Karen adjourned the meeting at 9:58 p.m.

The next meeting will be Monday January 6th at 7:00 p.m. Bloomington Center for the Arts, Dakota Room.

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Walter

Minutes approved by: Karen Johnson