



Board Meeting Agenda
Sunday, June 12, 2022, 7:00 PM
The Farm Restaurant

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

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President – JAMIE STEVENS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6U Division Director – CHRIS CASELEY |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice President – AARON FRIGON | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8U Division Director – STEVE HALLINAN |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer – BRUCE THORNER | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10U Division Director – KEITH FORTIER |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary – NATALIE SACCOCCIA | <input type="checkbox"/> 12U Division Director – BOB SHAW |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Past President – SCOTT SMITH | <input type="checkbox"/> 16U Division Director – OPEN |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Sponsorship – PATTY KINNICUT | <input type="checkbox"/> Director of Coaches – AMY CHAPMAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registrar – BOB SHAW | <input type="checkbox"/> Director of Media – OPEN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Director of Concession Stand – KRYSTAL SMALL | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Liaison – OPEN |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Equipment – TODD LAFOND | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> League Scheduler – BRUCE THORNER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Director of Facilities – OPEN | |

15 Positions Filled, 13 Members, Quorum - 7

- 1) **Call to Order:** 8:11pm. Could not have last meeting due to low attendance. Patty has notes to forward to Natalie.
- 2) **Citizen's Forum:** No one is here.
- 3) **Regular Business**
 - a) Meeting Minutes:
 - i) Minutes of April 24, 2022 – Vote- Natalie motion, seconded by Steve. All in favor.
 - b) Treasurer's Report
 - i) Current Balances
 - (1) Checking : \$49,579.07 (\$5,708 obligated) (reported 4/24/22); \$40,572.32 current checking balance as of 6/13/22. \$5,726.00 outstanding debits currently. Once these clear- \$34,846.32 is anticipated available balance.
Concession Stand Accounts: \$3,653.84 current balance as of 6/13/22.
 - (2) Shaw's Ln. Concession: \$6731.47 (reported 4/24/22); \$6726.47 current balance as of 6/13/22.
 - (3) Special Revenue Fund: \$733.52 (reported 4/24/22); balance is same as 4/24/22.
 - ii) Monthly Report- trying to touch base with soccer league with locking facilities/children needing them when they are not open. No further discussion.
- 4) **Old Business**
 - a) 2022 Season
 - i) Season Scheduling



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- (1) Spring Game Schedule-Umpires
- (2) Schedule Modifications/Playoffs (8U, 10U, 12U)- need to determine age cut off for play offs. Summer teams have started with co-created teams with other towns who already have a schedule. 8U did not schedule play offs last year, would be challenging to book this year. 10U uses the Barrington tournament, no play offs. 12U- Bob Shaw who is not here to discuss.
- (3) Closing date on June 28th-29th. Currently one more week of play then one week off. Some teams are making up at this point. Discussed concern about the amount of games per division between in-season make ups and play offs. Board discussed limitations with scheduling for families anticipated with school letting out and other sports starting. Discussion occurred. Bruce- recommended start games of or on opening day and expect to get all the games in. Discussion about started April vacation. Jamie- suggested we should work backward to figure out our start.

Board felt collectively discussion needs to continue to maximize start dates, field utilization to ensure all teams have adequate time to play/make-up games. Concerned ongoing that summer teams must start when in-season teams need to make up games due to weather issues etc.

Next meeting the board would like to meet and discuss scheduling/troubleshooting reschedules. Briefly discussed the need to require attendance in meetings to be present/ready to make timely decisions (hard without some present/repeated absences). Also discussed board ethics and creating energy/engagement in future meetings. Time is of value for all members and the Board is wanting to maximize efforts and time for people who can be present; investigate options where the meeting can be available for simultaneous remote access when in-person is not an option.

- (a) Awards Ordering- discussion on whether this should occur? Concerns about some children feeling left out. All coaches in agreement to issue game awards to promote player engagement. 10 U coaches are on board and going to issue one team ball per game to identified players of distinction. Motion to appropriate a case of balls to each age group by Keith, seconded by Patty. Next season this will be budgeted accordingly to each division. Bruce suggested this is available to this year to teams if preferred by coaches. Discussion occurred regarding issuance of balls and participation **trophies (need to discuss in future meetings)**.
- (b) For the current 2022 season, Jamie is in favor of participation trophies to recognize participation/efforts. Steven questioned metals or trophies for clarification. Board has fundraising funds available so that financially, we are not limited. Jamie motioned trophies,



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seconded by Steven. All in favor- everyone collectively. Trophies with distinction for the age groups (8U, 10U, 12U). Jamie to coordinate with Todd further details. Todd needs information of the number of players. Todd and Bruce to discuss numbers for trophy count. Total number 140. Jamie has a contact who he reached out to; trophies deadline close due to need for assembly. Metals would be feasible. Trophies would need to be discussed in terms of options preferred. Jamie to follow up via email with board due to close timeline.

ii) Sponsorship updates – Patty Kinnicutt

(1) Fundraising news- \$4700 snap fundraiser ends on Friday. 29 people participated; 40 players logged in. Chipotle night \$135.80 return from this fundraiser. For all the fundraising- must specify DYSL.

iii) Bylaw changes – 8U game rules- Jamie suggesting transition to traditional balls. Other towns are making decisions on pitching vs hitting off Ts. Todd suggested clarification on game expectations with other towns ahead of time. Barrington and Dover with similar rulings; playing Newmarket this year was a challenge with discrepancies (across age groups). Board suggested tabling this discussion and coordinating discussions with Newmarket in future meetings. Natalie has a personal connection to a coach in this town. Jamie and Natalie to follow up.

iv) Facilities Director(s)

(1) Shaw's Ln.- Jamie suggested tabling installation of base receivers for next season.

(a) Tractor- key broken and ran out of fuel. Bruce obtained new keys. Todd to provide gas cans to help.

(2) South Side-

(a) Remaining Tasks

1. Install batting Cage AAA \$1800 quote. Jamie has contact to acquire another quote.

(b) South Side - Murray Field Retaining Wall

1. Allocated \$\$- Jamie inquired with the board to discuss. Bobby has not been at the last several meetings; unsure what the final cost would be with rising prices and his timeline.

(c) **Security Issues**- graffiti, Jamie contacted police and coaches to inquire about trespassing events. Combination of tipped portable toilets, spray painting etc. Aaron has researched this issue extensively regarding lighting and resources needed (e.g., electrical etc.). Jamie can reach out to the portable toilet company to see if securing this is a possibility. Concerned about homelessness and general vandalism from teens.

b) 2022 Season BOD Elections – J. Stevens



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- i) Open positions: 16U Director, Field Director, Media, Community Liaison- 2 Field Director positions are really needed for each field. **Jamie- need to come up with a plan for recruitment. Keith suggested earlier recruitment.**

6) New Business

- a) Spring Banquet Plans
 - i) Announcements- June 28th, rain date June 29th.
 - ii) Awards Ordering- Jamie to determine options and email the board. Todd, Bruce, and Jamie to coordinate numbers for age group.
 - iii) Windbreakers- ordering for board members. Open for discussion, Todd encouraged collaboration including via email. Jamie asked the board to respond to Todd's email for sizing.
- b) All-Star Teams
 - i) Items Owed- Bruce needs to determine pay outs. Bruce wants to have a meeting 2nd week of July of how to plan an all-star team for summer.
 - ii) 2023 Tryouts
 - iii) Planning Meeting
 - (1) Bylaw Mods Req'd.- need clarification of timeline, expectations, and accounting wise. Need to understand our operating budget with yearly meetings.

7) Final Topics

- a) Actions Review
 - i) Patty suggested as part of scheduling Board Ethics and increasing numbers as the season ends. Goal to increase community engagement, player engagement, and motivation. Keith suggested looking into fall ball/winter clinics. Need to create a sub-committee? Or re-address as a board?
- b) Final Comments/Concerns
 - i) Jamie to reach out to local contact for trophies and portable toilet company to secure the toilets/prevent tipping.
 - ii) Jamie to also reach out to soccer leaving facilities locked.
 - iii) Jamie to follow up with board via email all the above updates.
 - iv) Aaron to follow up with Bobby regarding retaining wall final quote and timeline.
 - v) Board members to email size preference to Todd by end of week.

- 8) Adjourn: Motion to adjourn Jamie, seconded by Todd. All in favor.**



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Future Meetings:

- Monday, July 11th
- Monday, August 8th
- Monday, September 12th

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