



BATBA Board Meeting
February 11, 2016 at 6pm
Blaine Baseball Complex

Present: Rick Fanning, Sarah Anderson, Al Gottschalk, Brent Messerschmidt, Kristi Powers, Traci Payne, Jason Vogel, Erik Fenn and Jaymi Greseth

Missing: Justin Kehner

Call to Order – Rick Fanning 6:06pm

Approved - Board Meeting Minutes from January 14, 2016 as written.

Public Forum -

New Business – The Board received a communication from MYAS regarding a new 12U BATBA team. The Board was not directly approached after the September post-Tryouts decision regarding a fourth 12U team. MYAS said they would stand by our decision regarding this team. A motion was made to re-affirm our September decision to not carry a fourth 12U team. The motion was passed but was not unanimous. Two Board Members abstained. Justin Kehner will call the leadership of this 12U group informing them of our decision and re-affirmation. MYAS will be notified as well.

Committee Reports

- Treasurer's Report – Jaymi Greseth
 - Jaymi is still compiling the data for a summary on Registration. She is also working on the donation from Maxx.
 - Pizza Feast update – Erik Fenn. Deal has been signed. Saturday, April 2 at Brunswick Bowl. Cards can be purchased for 2 hr of gaming or 1 hr gaming/1 hr bowl.
- Policies/Admin – Rick Fanning
 - Trusted Coaches program – Board agreed to participate in this. Cost is more upfront \$27.50/coach but it is for three years and includes first aid piece, concussion training, positive coaching alliance and a national background check.
 - Cloverleaf Project update – Jon Kallestad has agreed to irrigate the outfield. Will partner with City of Blaine, they will bring city water to the field and Jon will install the zones, sprinkler heads and controller. Jon is willing to charge just materials at start-up and if we will commit to that, he will take care of it. He needed a verbal commitment of half the

project cost to commit to materials of \$2,500-2,800. Board approved commitment of \$2800 of this material cost. Rick will contact Jon.

- Development – Al Gottschalk, Jim Conlee, Justin Kehner
 - Erika Sandell, PT throwing clinic Feb 12 5-7 pm NSC B field.
 - 2017 Tryout format discussion. Rick shared information from Chanhassen on their information and procedures. Brief discussion ensued on the matter, tabled for now.
- Tournament – Rick Fanning (interim TD)
 - MBL and MYAS qualifier status' approved. Tournament posted online. Update low on 11U, but we have 55/56 teams registered. In 2015 we had 97 teams so we are on track.

Uniforms – Uniforms and Apparel Update - Brent

Order will be placed Monday, Feb 15. Brent will email Jaymi the estimate. We will comp Coaches/Assistant Coaches/Team Managers a shirt and hat. 15U Pack will be \$60.

Survey Monkey regarding organizational structure -

126 responses from our membership which is a great turnout. The results were as follows: Option 1 Stay as is 57 (45.3%); Option 2 Combine Blaine & SLP 7 (5.5%); Option 3 Split 62 (49.2%). There was passionate feedback from the membership and the results indicate that combining the players into one pool is not wanted. Families want their players to play with schoolmates and to be in line with their high schools. The Board decided to administrate the 2016 season as is and as we approach 2017 Tryouts, the Board will need to further communicate with the membership to determine if splitting is wanted and sustainable to support both Blaine and SLP programs.

Traci Payne, BATBA Secretary

Next meeting March 10, 6pm BBC