

BRAINERD BAXTER BASEBALL ASSOCIATION BBBA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: Thursday, August 19, 2021

Meeting Time: 6:00 pm

Meeting Location: 14275 Golf Course Drive, Suite 300, Baxter MN 56425 and via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

6:17 pm

Present:

Co-Chair	Steve Hanson
Co-Chair	Troy Rushmeyer
Secretary	Ann Scheinost
Treasurer	Jim Haakonson
Director	Eric Fenstad
Director	Wade Haapajoki
Director	Mandy Vanek

Absent:

Assistant Treasurer	Mike Eidenshink
Director	Zach Heidmann
Director	Jeremiah Piepkorn
Director	Steve Schaitberger

OPEN FORUM

Time allocated for non-members to bring matters not on the agenda to the attention of the Board. Time limits may be imposed.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA / APPROVAL OF AGENDA / APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Additions:

1. Resignation of Steve Schaitberger: Stipulations of his resignation include presentation of an outline of his job description, assistance with changes in digital presence (GoDaddy account billing, sign-on access for website and Facebook, information on account ownership and maintenance of website, Google analytics, and year-end survey). Steve H. and Troy to meet with him to finalize a list of changes. New director would have experience in marketing, social media, and website management. Motion to accept the resignation with stipulations was made by Steve Hanson, seconded by Mandy Vanek. Motion passed unanimously.
2. BHS Warrior Strength Center: Wade Haapajoki presented information on plans to revamp the current weight room at Brainerd High School. Board reviewed information found on BPSF.org. A \$2,000 donation will put our name on the Warrior Wall. The association will donate \$1,000 toward this effort, plus whatever board members wish to contribute. Mandy will check to see if a matching donation would take us to \$2,000 and put our name on the Warrior Wall. Motion to approve this donation was made by Eric Fenstad, seconded by Mandy Vanek. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve this agenda, along with the meeting minutes from 7/12/2021 and 7/19/2021, was made by Wade Haapajoki, seconded by Eric Fenstad. Motion passed unanimously.

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Old Business

1. Continue discussion related to Community Ed/Rec Ball requirements related to Association By-Laws/Handbook.

Our handbook stipulates that Association players need to be registered with the Park program to play in the Association. (History: the handbook was created by BLABA, and the dual registration stipulation was based on the relationship with Brainerd Parks and Rec. BPR would not charge field fees if BLABA players were registered in the BPR program.) This needs to be revisited and revised.

Challenges: Players with arm care, etc. Coaches with managing two types of teams. Programs. Revenue generating programs. Quality of play.

- a. Open discussion
 - i. Define goal related to potential changes
 - ii. (Pros – Cons)
 1. Risks vs. benefits
 - a. Partnerships / Community / Big picture – Parks and rec entities, the relationships are fragile. These organizations control the fields. Emphasize that our work will help both programs grow in numbers.
 2. Timeline
 - a. Meetings with community partners
 - b. Surveys
 - c. Road map - Troy shared that two reps from MYAS are willing to meet with us to discuss what our road map could look like, and how we are structured.
 3. How does it fit into long term goals – Mission statement
 2. Surveys - Clients/Coaches

New Business

1. Agendas for upcoming meetings
 - a. Sub-committees (Tournaments, Road map, etc.)
2. Finance statements were presented and reviewed.

NEXT MEETING

Meeting Date: Wednesday, September 15, 2021

Meeting Time: 6:00 pm

Meeting Location: 14275 Golf Course Drive, Suite 300, Baxter MN 56425 and via Zoom

ADJOURNMENT

Time: 8:23 pm

Motion to adjourn was made by Eric Fenstad, seconded by Mandy Vanek. Motion passed unanimously.