



May 21, 2023 | 7:00pm CT

# **Board Members**

Kevin Lutz, President | Justin Larson, Vice President | Richie Brodsky, Treasurer | Heidi Hebert, Secretary | Matt Mowry, Communication Dir. | Allison Carpenter, MN ICE Dir. | Amanda Gage-Didier, In-House Dir. | Bob Curtis, Concessions Dir. | Jenn Bernard, Uniforms Dir. (Incoming) | Craig Dose, Equipment Dir. | Jesse Bueno, Coach Development Dir. | Nick Borsdorf, Player Development Dir. | Mike Miller, Fundraising Dir. | Nate Teppo, Fields Dir. | Steve Schumacher, Traveling Dir. | Nicole Sederski-Vadnais, Tournament Dir. (Incoming)

#### Call to Order

Steve called the regular Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:05 pm at the Lakeville Chamber of Commerce in Lakeville, MN. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

- Present: Justin Larson, Richie Brodsky, Heidi Hebert, Matt Mowry, Allison Carpenter (via phone), Amanda Gage-Didier, Bob Curtis, Jenn Bernard, Jesse Bueno, Mike Miller, Nate Teppo, Steve Schumacher, Nicole
- Absent: Kevin Lutz, Nick Borsdorf, Craig Dose
- Guests: Tammy Brandt, Emily Ackman, Sharon Raasch, Lisa Smith

## Approve Agenda

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

### **Approve Minutes of Last Meeting**

- Minutes of the April 30, 2023 board meeting were reviewed and no additions noted
- Motion by Richie to approve the meeting minutes
- Seconded and carried without dissent

### Reports

- Finance Report: April Financials
  - YTD LFSA still looking good, revenue favorable over budget
  - YTD Ice net revenue also over budget

#### **Old Business**

- Tournament Director Search Update
  - GroupMe communication selected Nicole Sederski-Vadnais as Tournament Director
- Lakeville Classic Recap
  - Rained out Sunday
  - Field crews on top of things
    - Talk to paid crew about field dry usage (too much was used), need to use templates for batters boxes, don't drive through field of play, be careful when dragging fields

- Most were understanding on the cancellation, most complaints came from adjustments to game time and miscommunication of dead stop versus no new inning after "XX" minutes
- Motion by Steve for Mike and Richie to be paid for Classic tournament, \$500 each, seconded and carried
- Tournament Updates
  - Grand Slam, June 23-June 25, 2023
    - 99 teams registered as of noon Friday, May 19
    - Fields at Aronson, North, South, and KTMS
    - Bob to reach out to Kevin to secure paid field crew for schools and Aronson fields
  - NAFA 14U Nationals, July 27-July 30, 2023
    - Hope to start parade at North HS, South HS if North is not available
    - 253 games scheduled for Lakeville, at this time, 212 games in Prior Lake
  - Fall Classic, September 15-September 17, 2023
    - No update at this time
  - Premier Girls Fastpitch (PGF), October 6-October 8, 2023
    - No update at this time
- 2023 Season Pictures Update
  - SportsStar
    - Traveling May 19, 2023 (complete)
    - In-house May 30 for 8U, June 12 for 6U
    - Banners available, Steve communicated with coaches
- LFSA at St. Paul Saints Game Recap
  - Good turnout, rained out, vouchers issued, LFSA will receive \$2 per ticket sold
- St. Paul Saints Spotlight Game Recap
  - Good atmosphere, attendance similar to prior year
- Summer Pitching & Catching Clinic Update
  - No update
  - StrikeZone every Sunday night in June and August starting at 6:00
    - Beginner pitcher at 6:00 (starting at second year 8's)
    - More advanced pitcher at 7:00 (starting at second year 10's)
    - Catchers 7:00
    - Opening May 8th, closing May 24th
  - Nora Brandt to provide in-house clinic
    - Amanda/Nick have not heard back, yet
- SportsEngine
  - Updates, Nick working to update registrations
- Dome Conversation
  - Change in management at Dome
  - Able to secure session two back at the dome in 2024-2025 year
- Need to address KTMS field dragging equipment
  - Craig to research cost of equipment

#### **New Business**

- Guest Introductions
  - Tammy Brandt, Lakeville North representative, discussed partnership between LNHS Softball team and LFSA
  - Emily Ackman, 10U traveling and 8U in-house parent
  - Sharon Raasch, 10U traveling parent, interested in communications director position
- Pan-o-prag parade
  - July 15, 5:30-7:30
  - Amanda volunteered to organize
  - Find trailer, email to teams to invite girls to participate
  - Confirm LFSA to run concessions, Nate to reach out to city
- Fall Evaluations and Fees Discussion

- Evaluation date September 30
- \$35 evaluation registration fee per athlete
- Flex provides evaluators, we need to provide (board) volunteers to run the stations, Ice/North/South players to be group leaders moving athletes from station to station
- Registration to open later
- Discussion surrounding team size, how to address adding guest players to rosters
- Lakeville Links Fundraiser
  - Potential date July 16
  - LFSA gets approximately 50% of gross proceeds
- Two-door refrigerator and freezer
  - Bob to price out two-door refrigerator
  - Steve to reach out to someone to take a look at the refrigerator and freezer to see if repairable
- June and July Board Meetings (big tournaments on the original weekends)
  - Move to June 11
  - Move to July 16
- Car Decals
  - New logo sample: after board discussion Jenn to have vendor increase size and use clear background, instead of blue
- Dibs
  - LFSA Family Moving, board approved to waive dibs requirement for Swensons
  - Justin to update/remove volunteer policy on website
  - Clarified 2023 dibs expectations:
    - No sharing of dibs across positions
    - Assistant coaches must work together to cover remaining dibs shifts as volunteers cannot sign up for less than three hours
    - Dibs only apply to one athlete, ex: if family has two athletes in the program and has a role on one of the teams, dibs are covered for that athlete, unless they are in a role for both teams
  - Set expectation for Fall 2023 and future seasons, dibs will not be split among volunteers in the position, dibs will be granted to one head coach, one assistant coach, and (for traveling) one team manager. All other co-coaches/team managers will need to complete dibs hours.

## Future meeting topics

- Board incentive, one free registration per current season, discussion at annual meeting
- Review of by-laws
- Review of board member duties
- Update team manager role description

## Closing

- Motion for meeting adjournment by Nate at 9:38pm
- Seconded and carried without dissent

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Heidi Hebert 5/21/2023