BLFPA Open Board Meeting Minutes

March 7th, 2018

**Opening:**

The open board meeting of the Big Lake Fast Pitch Association (BLFPA) was called to order at 6:32 PM on Wednesday March 7th, 2018 in the Big Lake High School Cafeteria by Michelle Fjone, President.

**Present:**

Board Members

Michelle Fjone - President Kelly Bowne - Travel Coordinator

Matt Baufield – Vice President Kris Knodle – In-House Coordinator Kim Bowen – Varsity Coach Tony Loftus-Treasurer Via speakerphone

Denise Fitzgibbons - Secretary

Board Members Not In Attendance

Other Attendees

Grant Craig

Ericka Craig

Brad Bowne

Steve Westerberg

**Old Business:**

1. A motion to approve the February minutes was made by Matt Baufield, Kris Knodle seconded the motion and the rest of the attending board was unanimously in favor.
2. Discussion was had regarding equipment needs. Matt Baufield spoke with Dan and will bring the order form with check to coaches meeting. Matt will order 1 case 11 inch and 2 cases 12 inch softballs (6 dozen per case). Last time we order softballs was 2 years ago. A motion to approve order was made by Tony Loftus, Michelle Fjone seconded the motion and the rest of the attending board was unanimously in favor.
3. A motion to approve the current Treasurer’s report was made by Kim Bowen, Denise Fitzgibbons seconded the motion and the rest of the attending board was unanimously in favor. Michelle Fjone has additional funds to add from open gyms.

\*Treasurer’s report is available upon request\*

**New Business:**

1. BLFPA met with Steve Westerberg to discuss various concerns with the remaining referendum monies. Michelle Fjone discussed with Steve Westerberg the BLFPA was previously told no regarding parents donating time and work to get things done at the fourplex. Steve Westerberg stated that happened before he was here, now to communicate with Logan 1st with projects BLFPA would like to get completed. Discussion was had regarding school board working session on Thursday March 08th , 2018 at 6:30 PM. The school board will be going over what to do with the remaining referendum. Michelle Fjone to attend school board meeting.
2. Kelly Bowne discussed registration. The numbers are currently 18U: 3 16U: 7 14U: 16 12U: 33 and 10U: 21. Kelly Bowne stated that Becker has a 18U team looking for players. Kelly also stated that Kelsi Ramirez and Britney Krumrei have the same number, she will reach out to the Ramirez’s.
3. In-house news/Updates-Kris Knodle led the discussion on in-house. 6U director meeting with Elk River/Rogers tomorrow, March 8th, 2018. Registraion to stay open until April 6th. Discussed being part on the ECFE function on Saturday, March 10th. Kris Knodle and Michelle Fjone to set up a waffle ball activity for the kids on March 10th, hopefully will draw some interest for girls/parents to BLFPA. Matt Baufield to talk with Paula regarding 6U and 8U clinic dates (April 14th, 21st, 28th and May 5th at the highschool). The 28th there’s a Varsity game so no girls will be able to help on that date.
4. Icebreaker update led by Michelle Fjone. Michelle Fjone stated we will need to reduce number of teams this year due to being down a field. Kim Bowen will figure out numbers by Sunday.
5. Discussion was had regarding evaluations. Set-up by 9 am, board members to arrive at 8 am. Tony Loftus will be collecting volunteer checks and also remaining registration fees.

**Open Discussion:**

1. Brad Bowne led a discussion regarding pitching speed. Brad stated that he would like pitching evaluations to include this. Michelle Fjone stated that this is something BLFPA could discuss and possibly add to the evaluations for next year.

**Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made 8:17 pm by Shelly Fjone. Matt Baufield seconded the motion and the attending board was unanimously in favor. The next public meeting will be on Wednesday, April 11th at 6:30 pm in the Big Lake High School Media Center.

Minutes submitted by: Denise Fitzgibbons, Secretary

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