



Bloomington Fastpitch Association Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

March 11th, 2018 2:00pm-4:00pm
Chadwick Room, Bloomington City Hall

1. Call to order

Molly Belmont called to order the monthly board meeting of the Bloomington Fastpitch Association (BFA) at 2:01 p.m. on Sunday, March 11th, 2018.

2. Housekeeping

a. Attendance

Board Members present: Molly Belmont, Kathy Love, Tammy Tessier Kealy, David Rau, Jenn Herron, Jenn Hembd, Daren Anderson, Brandon Peterson, Steve Hofer, Jessica Musta, Lisa Bruins and Leah Hughes

Other attendees: Greg Westendorf (BFA coach/parent), Karen Johnson (past president), Amy Christiansen (BFA coach), Mike Kopischke (KHS), Jim Gonneth (8U Asst Coach), Sarah Johnson (BFA coach & parent), Renee Spencer (parent), Cathy Currier (past VP), Amy and Keith Belisle (8U parents), Monica, Brian and Kyle Kremer (8U parent and player)

b. Approval of prior meeting minutes

Molly Belmont made a motion to approve February Minutes as distributed.
Motion seconded by Daren Anderson.

c. Notification of upcoming meetings – April 9th, 2018

3. 8u State Tournament (Molly)

- The benefits of BFA hosting the 8U State Tournament were discussed – i.e. parking, location convenient for both Bloomington families and surrounding associations, everyone agreed it is a wonderful tournament
- The reasons why BFA selected in 2017 not to host the 8U State Tournament were discussed – i.e. not enough volunteers – paid a lot of hours and a few board members filled in, revenue did not offset the stress but on the association, this year most of the board members and parents of older players (10U+) will be watching their kids play in the state tournament in other locations
- Parents spoke on the experience of last year vs years prior and how they wanted BFA to host the state tournament again and how much support there was within the 8U group
- Molly will be forming a parent committee that will be in charge of the concessions, the Signup Genus and to be help Jessica with running the tournament
- Molly Belmont made a motion that Bloomington host's the 8U State Tournament with the majority of the volunteer hours supported by the 8U travel families.

MOTION APPROVED

Yes: 7

No: 6

4. 8u league meeting recap (Molly) – forwarded to April's meeting

5. MOA Tournament update (Molly and Jessica)
 - Signing contracts with MOA this week
 - Meeting with Bloomington Chamber of Commerce for \$2500 grant
David, Molly & Dan Pfeffer
 - Language will change on the website
 - July 26th-29th all MOA Nationals will be playing, Bloomington will host 10U B&C

6. In House Update (Molly Bellmont)
 - Numbers so far - 29 registered (4sm teams)
 - Thank you board members who came to support
 - It was fun!-Parents had fun and the girls too
 - In house Director=Molly has a candidate
 - Meeting any board members welcome
 - Sponsor to come
 - BASH welcome

7. Shed Update (David Rau) – forwarded to April’s meeting

8. Blast Off (Molly and Preston)
 - Lakeville sending 12A and two 10U teams
 - Pitch, Hit & Run
 - 1st pitch person and 10U catcher need to be selected
 - Cowboy Jacks Annual Glass night & raffle drawing will be a later date, own event – not combined with the BASH

9. Evaluations/Team Formation (Development team) – forwarded to April’s meeting

10. Parent Meeting (Molly)
 - TRIA invited, along with other available sponsors
 - Coaches will setup
 - BFA Hero Award

11. Board Reports
 - a. President: Molly Bellmont
 - b. VP Admin: Kathy Love
 - c. Treasurer: Tiffany Shermak
 - d. VP Strategic Planning: David Rau
 - Done with age level sponsorship – everyone renewed
 - Grants – BCC grant we are up against 6 other teams , not all are from Bloomington
 - Preparing for the raffle – a member has offered to be the Lead for the raffle
 - Looking into tournaments sponsors
 - e. Corporate Sponsorship Director: Leah Hughes
 - Grants season, researching for new opportunities and if anyone knows of any to let Leah know
 - f. Director of Communications: Jenn Hembd
 - g. Facility Director: Preston Renstrom
 - h. Equipment Director: Daren Anderson
 - Gathering equipment for coaches
 - i. VP Development: Brandon Peterson
 - We followed what we said we were going to do
 - Coaches applications are used in planning
 - Planning committee – top 16 was a great idea – solid
 - Coaches were communicated to before teams were posted – here is your team and selection for assistant coaches

- Learned – how to communicate the coaches, eval logistics – maybe a two day process, the top 16 process worked great
- Saddened to think that I would pull a kid off of a team because we need their parent to coach
 - i. Coach Development: Steve Hofer
 - Coaches meeting is on March 18th, 6:00 – 8:00pm
 - Board members who are on the agenda, TRIA and Youth1st will all be in attendance
 - ii. Player Development: Amy Munsinger -Strategic Planning Report
- j. Tournament Director: Jessica Musta
 - Revising volunteer hours and roles will sent out
 - BASH registration 14u almost full. 10u 1 team
 - 8U State Tournament will need TRIA on-site, July 7th & 8th
 - Tournament committee meeting in April
 - On the website, can we have an email group that membership can use to email the whole board
- k. Marketing Director: Jenn Heron
 - BLAST banners Cyndi will do for teams. Girls will need to have their uniforms soon so Cyndi can have the banners ready for the BASH
- l. Member Services: Lisa Bruins- Strategic Planning Report
 - Uniforms have been ordered will have around the middle of April, will need some time to hand out and organize before pictures
- m. Secretary: Tammy Kealy
 - Need to work on birth certificates

12. Open Comments

- Karen Johnson presented the agreement /relationship between Clutch Hitters and BFA. It was developed to separate/have no intermingling's of finances between the two organizations. The board may want to review and update with Clutch.
- Shred - Karen Johnson's name is on the permit, the board either needs to update the permit or it is set to expire shortly

13. Adjournment

Molly Belmont made a motion to adjourn at 4:01pm, it was seconded by Jen Hembd