



Bloomington Fastpitch Association Board Annual Meeting Minutes
 7:00pm Monday, October 3rd, 2016
 Bloomington Center for the Arts

- I. Call to order
 Karen Johnson called to order the monthly board meeting of the Bloomington Fastpitch Association (BFA) at 7:00pm on Sunday, October 3rd, 2016

- II. Attendance
 - a. Board members present: Karen Johnson, Cathy Currier, Sarah Johnson, Tammy Tessier Kealy, Daren Anderson, Erich Manwarren, Greg Westendorf, Jessica Musta, Lisa Bruins, Jenn Herron and David Rau

 - b. Other Attendees: Jim Hanson (Clutch Hitters), Rich Hanson (Clutch Hitters) Tod Deming (Clutch Hitters), Felicia Conner, Karla Torp, Tiffany Goehner, Lori Magoffin and Renae Spencer

- III. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (October 2016)
 A motion to approve September 2016 Minutes as distributed was made by Karen Johnson, 2nd by Lisa Bruins
MOTION APPROVED

- IV. Annual Report
 Karen Johnson presented the State of the Association. A copy will be posted on the Board page of the website.

- V. Annual Board Election

Board Position	Current	Officer / Director	Current Term End	Term Commitment	Nominees (goal 2 each open or expiring position)
President	Open	Officer		2 years active 1 year ex-officio	
Vice President	Cathy Currier	Officer	Oct. 2016	2 years	Tammy Kealy
Treasurer	Sarah Johnson	Officer	Oct. 2017	2 years	
Secretary	Tammy Kealy	Officer	Oct. 2016	2 years	Lori Magoffin
Equipment Manager	Daren Anderson	Officer	Oct. 2017	2 years	
Facilities Manager	Erich Manwarren	Officer	Oct. 2017	2 years	
Player & Coach Development	Greg Westendorf	Officer	Oct. 2017	2 years	
8U Program Director	Bob Lindberg	Officer	Oct. 2016	2 years	
Marketing	Tammy Galvin	Director	Oct. 2016	1 year	Felicia Connor
Fund Raising	David Rau	Director	Oct. 2016	1 year	David Rau - incumbent
Member Services	Lisa Bruins	Director	Oct. 2016	1 year	Lisa Bruins - incumbent
Tournament Director	Jessica Musta	Director	Oct. 2016	1 year	Jessica Musta- incumbent

- 18 ballots cast; 10 votes for ballot as stated above and 8 write ins
- President votes:
 - Karla Torp = 4
 - Tod Deming = 1
 - Cathy Currier = 1
 - Sarah Johnson = 1
- Vice President votes:
 - Tammy Kealy = 15, has declined the position
 - Cathy Currier = 2
 - Lisa Bruins = 1
- Secretary votes: Lori Magoffin – unanimous

- 8U Program Director votes:
 - Tiffany Goehner = 7, accepted the position
 - Amy Munsinger = 1
- Marketing votes: Felicia Conner – unanimous
- Member Services votes:
 - Lisa Bruins = 17
 - Tammy Kealy = 1

VI. Pitching Clinic Committee Update

Lisa reported that research showed pitching instruction fees ranged from as low \$40 to up to \$80.

VII. Website Platform Committee Update

Update provided by Jenn Herron. Score Monster platform still very new. Seem to be a lot of kinks to work out. Many questions answered, I'll check, or we think we can do that. The platform is more oriented toward running a league and is team specific, but as a community association BFA falls in between. Recommend continuing discussions with Score Monster, and activate and fully utilize current Ngin capabilities. At this point there would be insufficient time to complete the due diligence to allow the board to make a well informed decision, successfully complete a platform change and be prepared for February registration.

Karen suggested using score monster entrance in the market and league change to attempt to negotiate reducing Ngin Fees or getting some of their add-ons at no cost.

Karen recommended that if/when BFA makes a change to allow for dual systems for a transition year rather.

VIII. Coach Appreciation Event – Confirm date/location

- Thursday, October 27th at Cowboy Jack's, details to come, information will be sent to the coaches

IX. General Director Reports

a. President: Open

- Received the shed agreement back from the city, they accepted most of our changes. Karen is going to contact the city one more time regarding a couple of points that they did not accept and depending on outcome, board will need to decide what they want to do. The biggest point is the city wants BFA to carry the insurance on the whole building, not just the contents

b. Vice President: Cathy Currier

- New board will have to decide which of the two options of insurance they want to do for our clinics – pitching, catching and winter
 - Do not want to insure players twice
- Did inform the league that we were not interested in hosting the 8U summer state tournament. There was discussion amongst board and newly elected members whether there would be a creative way to partner with another organization to staff tournament if BFA provided host location.
- Fall survey results: Low response rate, 30% of parents responded and only 22% of players
 - 10U – had a complaint about travel. Use spring parent meeting to explain travel difference between summer ball and fall ball, and the amount of travel involved in fall ball.
 - 8U – complaint about travel for summer, as the league's program grows the opportunities to play closer to home will too
 - 8U – Fall tournament, one team played 5 games in one day – that is too much for girls that age

c. Treasurer: Sarah Johnson

- YTD numbers were circulated but are not final

- Sarah Johnson made a motion to approve a scholarship application for BFA Fall Ball, 2nd by Karen Johnson
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- BFA has positive revenue variance of \$8000 primarily due to the grants we received. Sarah Johnson made a motion to use \$2000 of the excess funds towards sound system upgrades outlined and new equipment as outlined by Daren Anderson, 2nd by Jessica Musta.
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- d. Secretary: Tammy Tessier Kealy
- e. Commissioner: Daren Anderson
 - The storage shed has been inventoried and is in the process of being cleaned up
 - All fabric apparel has been placed in plastic bins. We need to figure out what we are going to do with the old apparel items, (i.e. shirts from past BASH tourneys). It was suggested we either donate them or give them away at our clinics
- f. Facilities Coordinator: Erich Manwarren
 - Working with the city to finalize all the gym spaces needed for open gym and winter clinics
 - Working with Cowboy Jacks for the Coach Appreciation event
- g. 8U Director: Bob Lindberg
- h. Player and Coach Development: Greg Westendorf
 - Sent out a survey to all summer and fall head coaches asking what went well, what we could do better
 - Having a coaches meeting Oct 16th to go through the responses, talk about strengths and needs
 - Sent out a questionnaire to colleges (D1-D3) asking coaches, about names of players or past players, who would be interested in coaching, etc.
 - Coach Powers at St Kate's is very willing to run four of our winter clinics, they are asking for a \$1500 donation in exchange, which helps pay the players that work the clinics, the coach and helps fund the St. Kates program. The clinics would be for the coaches and players and would be both batting and fielding. Greg will continue to work on the framework.
 - Greg spoke with Travel Baseball board about our program and partnership with PCA.
 - Greg was asked by a Bloomington parent if he was aware of discussion about a group planning to form an East Side association for 8U and 10U.
- i. Tournament Director: Jessica Musta
 - Meeting with Youth First to get more information on Youth First Award program application at the BASH.
- j. Communications Director: Jenn Herron
- k. Member Services: Lisa Bruins
- l. Marketing: Tammy Galvin
- m. Fundraising: David Rau
 - Handed out a report that shows how our fundraising program has developed over the years and month to month.
 - BCVC called to ask how they could better partner with us and our tournaments, especially NAFA for hotel use.
 - David reaches out to all our sponsors throughout the year to let them know what is happening without organization.

X. Open Comments

- Karen informed the board that Tony Angrimson, a member of the BFA family was recently injured. Tony is self-employed and the injury has limited his ability to work. Tony has volunteered countless hours for BFA. A former board member set up a GoFundMe page to help offset some of his expenses. Karen asked the board to consider a donation to the GoFundMe site. Cathy Currier made a motion that BFA donate \$275 from our miscellaneous account for 2016 to the GoFundMe page, 2nd by Daren Anderson.
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XI. Adjournment

Karen Johnson made a motion to adjourn at 9:03pm, 2nd by Sarah Johnson

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 7 at 7:00 pm at the Bloomington Center for the Arts.