

Northfield Youth Baseball Association
Board of Directors Meeting
April 18, 2021, 7:00 pm
Zoom

In Attendance: Steve Fox, Adam Van Sickle, Kelly Pithan, Dan Scheffler, Russ Bauer, Maria Deschamp, Daniel Hollerung, Keith Argabright, Lance Reisetter, Mark Auge, Megan Kraby, Jon Mielke

ADMIN

Financials -

Some timing issues with the estimated budget but things will balance out as we go forward. We are currently behind last year at this time, but projections are that we will end up being ahead of last year's bottom line.

Authorized signers -

We need board approval to change authorized signers on the NYBA account. Remove Daniel and add Steve and Adam as respective league presidents. Discussion of giving Tournament Director access to a back card during the tournament registration period so they can pay for tournaments via the NYBA account instead of having to use a personal account and wait for reimbursement. This access will be provided by the Travel President.

Motion by Dan Scheffler to remove Daneil Hollerung from signer on the NYBA bank account and add Steve Fox and Adam VanSickle

2nd: Megan

All in favor, none opposed

Insurance -

Current coverage with Hartman for \$5600 per year does not cover molestation/abuse or employment practices. However there are unnecessary coverages. Keith has a proposal that would save 1800 a year with better coverage and we could add missing coverage noted above. We would need a written policy on transportation/coaches alone with players, etc. which could come from the language in the Safe Sport Certification coaches are required to complete.

Discussion on new policy and coverages as well as NYBA employees/independent contractors.

Motion to update insurance policy to Roundbank/Gateway Specialty Insurance policy.

2nd: Russ Bauer

All in favor, none opposed.

Fundraising and Sponsorship -

Currently at \$11,000 in sponsorships for 2021.

Discussion of fundraising options for bathrooms at Sechler. Megan has been given the go ahead from our main donor to proceed with the Board's approval.

There are a few fundraising options:

Softer salt sale-

12U-15U could sell and deliver as part of this fundraiser

Heggies Pizza-

In-House and 10/11U could take part in this fundraiser.

Kwik Trip gas cards-

All NYBA members could take part

Bricks that would go on the building is also an option.

These fundraising efforts would be presented as for a "capital fund" and go toward a certain large scale project each year.

Estimate could be upward of \$200,000. Discussion ongoing with the City planner on logistics of placement and plumbing/sewer.

Discussion by the Board of big picture goals and how the bathroom project fits within those goals. Daniel will work on a document to piece all projects together for future brainstorming sessions.

Megan will form a fundraising committee and these parties will receive DIBS credit for their time.

TRAVEL

All teams are set up and schedules completed. 12U-14U and SMCBL

Practices have started not that Sechler is open and games will begin in a few weeks.

We had to hire a paid coach for the 12AAA team which is not a level we usually do this for. Parent coaches were not available. The plan is not for this to set a president going forward but we could have discussion going forward if there were enough non-parent coaches willing to fill coaching spots.

Motion Steve Fox to add mileage to assistant coaches stipend

2nd: Adam

All in favor, none opposed

Raider Classic -

Moving forward with all tournaments. We will not be able to use either college fields.

Three younger tournaments are not yet filled. We may have to look to offer discounted entries to fill these spots.

Trusted Coaches -

Steve and Kristin met with trusted coaches personnel to get things set up for this season. Coaches will each have to claim their role as a coach and will not direct them as to which, if any, certifications they are due to take.

Daniel, Adam and Steve will meet this week to discuss field supervisors. Board discussed whose duty it should be to coordinate this group. The consensus was that it would fall under the Concessions Manager.

INHOUSE

There was a very late push for registration this year. We ended up with more registrants than last year.

Tball, Futures and Rookies are set with teams and coaches. Minors is still quite short on coaches we will continue to recruit.

Megan will input the sponsorships and then we will be able to

Russ is working on the master schedule and then the in-house committee will be able to review for any issues.

In-House Classic will be July 23-25.

Discussion was also had about COVID, pictures and coach's meeting info.

DIBS will be finalized once the master calendar is completed with game times.

Review of new logo.

OTHER

Capital Projects -

Daniel has controllers for updating scoreboards. Mike from Schulz Electric will be meeting with Daniel and Steve to look over the scoreboard project as well as adding lights to Sechler 1 and 2 and provide an estimate.

Facilities -

Shed Project

AJ is working on getting the paper work completed for this to be approved as his Eagle Scout project. AJ and Lance will get materials ordered and then set a timeline for completion.

Sechler Clean-up -

Lance will set a few field project goals and work with a few teams and parents to get those projects completed.

Pitching machine

Turn in old controllers which will allow us to buy new pitching machines at half price. We could sell these machines for profit to then be able to fix up our current machines and possibly purchase a 3 wheel machine.

Concessions -

Application for Concessions is before the City.

Daniel exploring sale of beer during Knights games and other non-youth events.

COVID -

Discussion of the 2021 COVID-19 Guidelines and Preparedness Plan. Kristin will finalize for Board review and information will be shared with coaches and families.