

Blaine Youth Football

Board Meeting Minutes
June 22th 2014 7:00 PM at Brunswick Meeting Room #3

Board Members Present

Ken Downey, Darrell Colman, Jim Ristow, Heather Erickson, Eric Hargrove, Brian Koste and Scott Sandberg

Advisory Members Present

Jessica Villa and Jason Byers

Community Members Present

Christine Kusch

Registration Update

- Currently 250 registered for tackle
- Currently 20 registered for flag

BYF Kick-off Family Night

- Obtaining many donations for local businesses and families
- Jessica asked that BYF donate one Registration for next year toward the silent action/raffle
 - o Board discussed, voted and passed request 6-0
- *Action items*
 - o *More volunteers*
 - o *Sell tickets*
 - o *Webpage with silent auction and raffle items*
 - o *Another email blast with info and items*

Equipment Deposit

- Board discussed, voted and decided not to implement an equipment deposit for the 2014 season with a vote of 6-0.
 - o BYF will flag and call players from last year that didn't return equipment and they will not get new equipment until last years has been returned.
 - o BYF will hold coaches responsible to the best of their ability to collect all equipment at the end of the season. If they cannot collect they will then pass those names onto the board.

Grade Level Commissioners

- Commissioners
 - o 2nd – Heather Erickson
 - o 3rd – Bill Peterson
 - o 4th – Kristina Strand
 - o 5th – Ken Downey
 - o 6th – Mark Bryant
 - o 7th and 8th – Jessica Villa
- *Action Items*
 - o *Contact all commissioners to finalize their positions*
 - o *Post names and contact info on website by 6/25*

6- 8th Evaluations

- *Action Items*
 - o *Scott to get final stations and order of events written up by 6/25*
 - o *Post final stations on website*
 - o *Need QB's to throw for catching skills*
 - o *Need 10-12 high school students to help*
 - o *Need stop watches too - 4*
 - o *Need parent volunteers for check in*
 - o *Find jersey's or shirts for evaluations*

6- 8th Draft Details

- All Board members should attending if there isn't another conflict

Coaches Interviews

- Held Sunday June 13th – 5 to 7 pm and June 16th 7 to 9 pm (tentatively)
- Brunswick Meeting Room 3
- Coach Develice, Heather and Scott possible other board member
- Darrell to come up with a list of interview questions

Fundraising Opportunity

- Sell burgers, hot dog, water, chips outside of Sam's in Fridley to raise money
- Available to organizations 4 times per year
- Weekends – Friday, Saturday and Sunday
- Would need players and adult volunteers
- Jessica looking into specifics

Blaine Parade

- Footballs and icee's to be handed out
- Have about 30 player and parents lined up
- Eric taking care of float
- Meet at site A13 on Oak Park BLVD around 11:00 or at Eric's at 10:30

Potential Blaine Sponsors

- *Action items*
 - o *Brian to email out spreadsheet to all board members and advisory members*
 - o *Members update any businesses that they have direct contact with*
 - o *Member select businesses to contact*
 - o *Heather will update all businesses Kick-Off Committee has already contacted*

Open Topic

- Scott attended Blaine Youth Hockey meeting to inquire about working hockey try-outs around football games. In the past this has caused issues with some players. Scott will work with BYH to limit conflicts as much as possible.
- Spirit wear and board shirts, Brian nominated Jen Koste to look into and price out options for both
- Pictures dates are set for August 25th, 26th and 27th at the BBC
 - o Coaches will sign up their teams on a website
 - o Online ordering and payment
 - o Working on redoing picture packages
- Jason to try and attend the USA FB camp on July 12th

- Securing equipment shed at BBC (options below)
 - o Deadbolt on both sides of both doors.
 - o Getting a new garage door with key lock
 - o Possibly getting rid of the bathroom downstairs and they will build Football access to that area
 - o Ken motioned to all Darrell to offer money to help with project of up to \$500 – board discussed, voted and passed 6 – 0
- Tahoe would like to have football accessory items for purchase at equipment hand out –
 - o would offer discounts to people who purchase
 - o Darrell to find out if they will give BYF a % of sales
 - o Will need to change equipment hand out to August 3rd and 5th
- How to handle flagged background checked coaches
 - o Board will make decision on a case by case basis
- Baseline concussion testing
 - o Jessica will check with Lisa to see what they have done
 - o Pick a date to have it done
 - o Stress for 6th – 8th graders