



## July Meeting Minutes

### I. Call to order

Shawn called to order the regular meeting of Blaine Youth Football at 7:02pm on July 10, 2022 at Lexington Sports Complex.

### II. Roll call

The following persons were in attendance:

Board Members: Rick Japor, Shawn Robideau, Darrell Colman, Kaeley Cazin, Adam Byam, Tamzyn Grant, Scott Zappa, Chris Good

Advisory Members: Matt Smude

Community Members: Jen Kinney

### III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Shawn motioned for June meeting minutes to be approved. Motion passed; June meeting minutes approved

### IV. Open Issues

- a) (Darrell) BYF will send out an email survey to the membership for interest regarding King of the Grid Iron. (June Meeting) Discussion on communication will be after registration is closed and teams formed.
  - i) Darrell will send email to coaches, and then BYF will notify the membership of the details.
- b) Equipment - Anything left to be ordered or received?
  - i) 2nd & 3rd grade jerseys need to be ordered (won't be sublimated) \*need to be ordered by July 15
  - ii) Athlete informational cards needing to be completed for equipment handout
- c) (Coach Smude) O-Lineman Camp - How much does BYF need to contribute for the t-shirts?
  - i) Approximately 110 shirts at \$7/shirt . . . Coach Smude will let us know final dollar amount.
- d) (Rick) Board Code of Conduct policy
  - i) Postponed to future meeting; hasn't been sent to Board.
- e) (Tamzyn & Adam) Family Fun Night @ Bowlero - What more is needed to prepare?
  - i) Adam will announce winners; Chris will pull sheets and give prizes to winners; Shawn will be MC; Tamzyn will send emails, social posts, etc. leading up to event; Adam will confirm number of Vikings tickets donated;

Coaches were recommended to put basket together and to not have practice; Kaeley, Shawn, and Tamzyn will pick up any donations.

- ii) Chris motioned to allow BYF to spend up to \$1000 for Family Fun Night (on decorations and/or raffle prizes). Motion passed; all approved.
- iii) Post-event: Rick will send thank you notes.
- iv) [Update] BYF received two sets of 3 tickets for the Vikings v. Lions game.
- v) Note for future seasons: BYF should list Family Fun Night on calendar/key dates as, "Family Fun Night - \*NO scheduled practices\*"
- f) (Shawn) High school turf use - Dates chosen?
  - i) No dates chosen yet, as school district wants to charge for use of field. Tentative dates: 9/24, 10/01, 10/08.
- g) Painting BBC fields? (June meeting: Darrell getting quotes.)
  - i) (Darrell) Did quotes come in? Are we painting BBC?
    - (1) BYF should receive a quote by end of July (Ken and Eric are working on a quote).
- h) What are the final registration counts for players and coaches? \*Last meeting it was noted we were confirming coaches on July 10.
  - i) Treasurer and President have final say on each late registrant.
  - ii) 2nd - 39 players, 3 coaching applications
  - iii) 3rd - 59 players, 2 coaching applications
  - iv) 4th - 68 players, 3 coaching applications and potentially 1 more
  - v) 5th - 71 players, 4 coaching applications
  - vi) 6th - 74 players, 4 coaching applications
  - vii) 7th - 58 players, 3 coaching applications
  - viii) 8th - 74 players, 3 coaching applications
- i) Coach mentors for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade coaches? (June meeting: Tabled for after registration & Board will pick coaches to be mentors for 2nd grade & new coaches.)
  - i) Define "mentor" - To be a resource regarding playbooks, practices, etc.
  - ii) Shawn will draft an outline and reach out to coaches; Shawn, Darrell, and Scott will pick coaches to be mentors.

## V. New Business

- a) (Darrell) 6th grade parent concern and request
- b) (Kaeley) Picture Day - Suggestions on dates?
  - i) Tue & Sat; 9/13 & 9/17 or 9/20 & 9/24
- c) (Darrell) Heggies Pizza Fundraiser

- i) McKinley Elementary is switching vendors (away from Huggies); Darrell will check into who they're switching to.
- ii) Chipotle Fundraiser; Kaeley will check into and try to get it for the night of Equipment Handout. [Update: Unable to do Chipotle Fundraiser; all Blaine locations were booked through the end of football season.]
- d) (Chris) Working with HS to set up Clock Operators
  - i) Chris confirmed he will work with Jen Kinney on what needs to be done.
- e) (Shawn) Coordinate Evaluation Day / Draft Night
  - i) Shawn confirmed player check-in at 6:30; 7:00 Evaluation begins; 8:00 coaches' meeting at HS. [Update: Unable to have coaches' meeting on same night; planned for a different night.]
- f) (Rick) Scrimmage Day / Youth Night
  - i) Rick confirmed Kevin will be having this season's referees attend BYF's scrimmage night (for added practice/training).

## VI. Parking Lot Items

- a) 2023 Season:
  - i) Discussion on there being a division within TC North league for northern Metro teams . . .
  - ii) "Mom's/Parent's breakfast" was previously discussed . . . Thoughts?
    - (1) Darrell and Rick suggested we change to "Football Open House" night for football skills and information; recruiting coaches & players at same time.
  - iii) Change vendors for jerseys?
  - iv) When should sublimated jerseys be ordered to receive in time?
  - v) Should playtime rules be changed?

## VII. Additional Topics

- a) (Shawn) The school district has increased their price to reserve the Middle School fields for practice Monday - Saturday (for 7th-8th grades), from \$1000 to \$1800. Shawn motioned for BYF to reserve the Middle School fields for the 2022 season. Motion passed; all approved.
- b) (Chris & Scott) Equipment handout for middle school will be 7/18 6:00 - 7:30; whoever can help, please come at 5-5:30.
- c) (Darrell) Donated hip & thigh pads to John Swanson (Twin Cities North Football League) to donate to any organizations in need.
- d) (Darrell) USA Football is requiring BYF to create an Emergency Plan. Darrell will draft and Rick will proofread.

## VIII. Next Board Meeting

- a) August 14 at 7:00pm; Blaine Baseball Complex

## IX. Adjournment

Rick motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:44pm.

Minutes submitted by: Kaeley

