



Bismarck Youth Fastpitch Softball Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Information:

Meeting Title	Board Meeting	Time	6:30 pm
Date	10/10/2022	Location	Exxon
Facilitator	Matt Liudahl, President		

Invitees/Attendees:

Required/Optional	Attended (Y/N)	Name	Required/Optional	Attended (Y/N)	Name
R	Y	Matt Liudahl	R	Y	Scott Owens
R	N	Jody Simpson	R	Y	Jessica Simpson
R	N	Jesse Klautd	R	Y	Brian Neuhardt
R	Y	Heath Lessard	R		Beth Carlson
R	Y	Jeremy Twete	R	Y	Laura Owens

Agenda/Minutes:

Item	Topic	Owner
1.	Call To Order	Matt
	a. President Matt called the meeting to order with 8 members present and 1 guest.	
2.	Approval of September Minutes	Jessica
	a. Jeremy motion to approve. Scott second. Motion carried.	
3.	Treasurer Report	Heath
	a. Heath presented the treasurer report to the board. Upcoming bills discussed.	
4.	USA Softball Report	Brian
	a. Task force for umpires	
	b. State meeting on October 23	
5.	Old Business	Matt
	a. Financials	
	i. Equipment needs	
	1. 3 sets of bases - Scott	
	2. Pitching mats, 2-3 - Scott (table until the Fall)	
	3. Travel team bags	
	b. Division Representatives/Committee – roll out in January	
	i. Tournament Planning (Blast & State)	
	ii. Travel Team	
	1. 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U	
	a. 14U & 16U will be handled by travel team committee	



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- iii. Summer League
 - 1. 6U, 8U, 10U, 11Up
 - a. Jaden Schafer has volunteered for 6U & 8U
- iv. Fundraising
- c. Clinics
 - i. Pitching & Catching
 - 1. Contact Emma & Cassidy
 - 2. Four Seasons Center
 - 3. Last year: 7-10 from 1-2, 11-18 from 2-3. \$75 for 4 weeks
 - 4. Proposed this year: January 22 - February 19 (Sundays, 5 weeks). 7-10 from 1-2, 11-18 from 2-3. \$100
 - ii. Sanford Off-Season Sparks training
 - 1. 30 total registrations so far
- d. Blast Tournament
 - i. Order 100 more t-shirts next year
- e. Summer League
 - i. Equipment inventory – Scheduled for December 3, 2022
- f. Travel Program
 - i. Director report
 - 1. 18U can be offered if we have some that have aged out of 16U. When advertising, make sure to include 18U.
 - 2. Pitching coach for month of April & May is being worked on. Would like to have pitching coach for the summer. 1 practice per week was discussed.
 - 3. Pay schedule for director will be quarterly, starting in January.
 - ii. Email to current families by October 31 about update email with announcement of Director
 - iii. 14U-18U tryouts start in January
 - iv. Coaches announced by November 30, 2022
 - v. December 15 deadline for communication to families and registration open.
 - vi. Jessica motioned to consider renaming 14U-18U teams and rebrand 10U-12U Sparks teams with a new logo. Laura second. Ideas will be due to the board by October 24.
- g. Fundraising/Sponsorship
 - i. CVB grant
 - ii. Create finance committee
- h. Communications/Marketing
 - i. Nominations & Elections
 - ii. BPS Friday Flier



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6. New Business

- a. Board Nominations & Elections
 - i. Open positions: Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Website/Technology Director, Summer League Coordinator, Assistant Summer League Coordinator (non-voting member), Travel Team Coordinator, Assistant Travel Team Coordinator (non-voting member), Umpire Coordinator (non-voting member), and 2 Members at Large.
 - ii. Board accepted nominations for open board positions. Nominations will remain open until November 4 for voting at November board meeting.

7. Other Business

All attendees

- a. Website
 - i. Possibly add an alumni page
 - ii. Add Darby's information to the website
- b. Clothing store & branding
 - i. Laura checked with Custom Stitch. They do not recommend having store open all year. Will also give a portion back to the organization.

8. Review Action Items

All attendees

Action Items:

#	Action Item	Assigned To	Due Date
1	Prepare for elections in November	Jess	10/14/2022
2	Contact & schedule Four Seasons Center for pitching/catching clinics. January 22 - February 19 (Sundays, 5 weeks)	Matt	10/14/2022
3	Re-send email for Sparks Off-Season training at Sanford	Jess	10/14/2022
4	Contact Emma & Cassidy for clinics	Darby	11/4/2022
5	Custom Stitch - inquire about store, uniforms, logo/rebranding	Laura	11/4/2022
6	Equipment inventory – December 3	All	12/3/2022
7	Evaluate travel team tournaments	Darby	12/31/2022
8	Create end of year summer league tournament documentation	Jess/All	12/31/2022
9	Equipment needs - Bases	Scott	12/31/2022
10	By-law change - sign and post to website	Jess	12/31/2022
11	Website - add alumni page and Darby's information	Jess	12/31/2022
12	Invite Chad to February board meeting	Laura	1/31/2023