

# Osseo Baseball Booster Club

## March 2023 MEETING MINUTES

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MEETING DATE: March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Present: Coach Lavin, President Jason Titus, Treasurer Andy Skov,  
and Vice President Matt Weum. Not present: Secretary Kris Bohnsack

Meeting Called to Order—

- a. Announcements by the President.
- b. Motion to start the meeting by Matt Weum, second by Joe Lavin.
- c. Approval of previous meeting minutes. Motion to approve consent business by Joe Lavin, second by Andy Skov- all approved and consent business is approved unanimously.
- d. Treasurers Report: no outstanding invoices at this time, that aware of. Gave check to coach Lavin to pay for baseballs that just arrived. Blaine VFW tourney paid, so both VFW tournaments paid. Have around \$40,000 in the general fund, not including Twins fund. Received letter from IRS for taxes for fiscal year ending Sep-2020 that were submitted Feb-2021, indicating we failed to submit the proper forms for 501c3 – however, we weren't awarded 501c3 until Sep-2021, effective Mar 6, 2021. Treasurer Skov had a call with IRS on Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, and believes the issue has been resolved, as IRS processor did not realize 501c3 status was after the submission.
- e. Player/parent meeting (opening night): set for Friday March 24<sup>th</sup> in the cafeteria at 6:00 PM, after practice. Players will pick up player packs, fundraising sheets and requirements, and learn about coaches plan for this year.

COMMITTEE UPDATES – Actively seeking new volunteers to join/head a committee!

f. FUNDRAISING –

**Salt and Pizza** – REQUIRED FUNDRAISER - Need a point person to make arrangements for this season's fundraiser. President Titus has been working with Fleet Farm on potential option for salt – appears like it might be a viable option. Heggies Pizza is ready to go. Pricing will be put together and should be available by Opening Day.

**Gertens-** Store is open, per email sent out on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Website to order is open until April 10<sup>th</sup>, delivery date is May 13<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. Will need volunteers to help with sorting orders (same day as Prom).

**Banners** – renewal notices for banners have been sent out. Have received 14 renewals so far, with most wanting the outside (hwy 81 side).

**Chow for Charity** – President Titus worked with Red Savoy in Osseo to set up a fundraiser for Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup>. Mention Osseo Baseball when ordering and we will get a percentage of the sales.

**Pancake breakfast** – the question was raised if we could do the pancake breakfast earlier in the year next year. Will look at options to see what can work.

**Vertical Raise** – fundraising option that reached out to President Titus. Each player would provide 20 emails to company to solicit donations and option to buy various items. Board elected to pass on it for this year, as we have other fundraising in place.

**Ed's Collision and Glass sponsor night** – Ed's Collision contacted Allison Rose about doing a sponsor night at Osseo's Memorial field during a baseball game. They have done similar sponsor nights with football and basketball. Board felt it would be a

good opportunity. Date is TBD – need to find a game that works.

**Brick Sales** – President Titus has been looking into starting up the brick sales fundraiser again, as there have been a few enquiries about it. Figuring out options and updating flyer. Potential to create an area behind home plate by the Do Not Sit sign for the bricks. Tammy Haag said she had paid for a brick previously (spring 2021), so need to research.

**Cub Bagging** – Next scheduled event is 4/8/2023, DIBS are loaded.

**Twins grant and Jaycee Funds** – Still working on options and plan to utilize the funds received, have to meet certain requirements/stipulations. Looking at getting a field skirt to protect the infield area out in front of home plate during batting practice or during infield.

g. FIELD MAINTENANCE

Need the batters box repaired for upcoming season – company started the work late fall and needs to come back and finish. Hopefully the ground will be ready in time. Will need to make a date to hang the batting cage nets. The backstop net is hung by the District, but we will need to zip tie the net to bottom. New zip ties for banners, wind screens, etc for this year have been ordered and received. Need to get some BIDS for work to be done for the Twins Grant, must be used for field upgrades. Plan was to paint the foul poles orange, and then look into replacing the caps on the fences with orange caps instead of the yellow in order to match – waiting to figure out costs options for other projects and remaining available funds. The mound on the JV field will be rebuilt this spring (current plan is over spring break) – at this time there are potentially 3 games scheduled to be played on JV field this year. So, will need to install the outfield fence. AD Quan ordering more diamond dry to have in case needed for wet spring, as we are almost out.

h. CONCESSIONS

Continue to look into options for a new refrigerator. VP Weum to check on distributor options that will provide a drink holder fridge – being worked on to get options. Need to figure out electrical requirements and possibly upgrade the electrical panel in concessions – have had issues over-loading circuit in the past. Researching concession items and costs, with potential to raise prices for some items this year. Looking at purchasing a Square Terminal that will allow touch credit cards and various pay app's (Apple pay, Google pay) – it is a stand alone terminal that does not need to connect to table or i-pad. Basketball asked about buying leftover drinks from them for our concession stand.

i. PLAYER DEVELOPMENT (Coach Lavin).

Currently going well. Will have Arm Care/Conditioning coming up prior to try-outs. That will be 6am-7am the week of 3/13 Mon-Thursday. Try-outs will be the week of 3/20, having them on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Will be divided into 2 groups (veterans and rookies). Will have a practice the Thursday that week. Registration for this season is Open through Smart School K12 website – need to be registered to tryout and arm care.

Connor Nygaard will not be available to assist with VFW or summer fundamentals this summer, so need to find a replacement. Starting to look at summer training options for speed and strength and VFW practices. Trying to find times that will work to avoid conflicts with other sports.

- j. APPAREL  
Tammy is working on setting up an X-Grain store that will be open right after tryouts, and open for 1 week. Estimate delivery will be 4-5 weeks. Tammy is also working on ordering a few additional t-shirts from local vendor, running low on smaller sizes, and hopes to have available at opening night for purchase. Question was asked about getting baseball pants from BSN to have available for opening night – Joe will check with BSN rep to see about options. Items for player packs will be sorted and ready for opening night – will look for people to help set up and sell items during opening night
- k. BANQUET  
VP Weum has been working with Edinburgh golf course on options for the year-end baseball banquet. Tracy Moll has been trying to connect with Sun Dance to see if they are available. Still working on location, options and finalizing a date – waiting to figure out dates for section playoffs, with June 7<sup>th</sup> the tentative date but may need to push back a week.
- l. Senior Night  
The tentative date for senior night is May 17<sup>th</sup>, the second to last home game of the year. Will need to find a volunteer to help organize senior night.

Meeting Adjourned 8:08pm — Motion to adjourn Matt Weum, second Andy Skov.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

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Arm care week – March 13-16<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:00am at PC dome

Tryouts – start March 20<sup>th</sup>

Opening Night – Player/Parent meeting – March 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm in cafeteria

Next Booster Club meeting April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Cub Bagging at Maple Grove Cub – April 8<sup>th</sup>