

**OBX Baseball League Board
Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2023 6pm**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Danny Sawyer at 6:14PM.

Roll Call- In attendance at the Ash Jones Field were: Danny Sawyer, Brianna Vann, Jon Britt, Chelsea Tillett, Fran Dunn, Steve Fowler, Bill Gorham, Zane Gillespie, Chip Perrot & Tom Hoggard.

Approval of Minutes of August 15 Meeting- The Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Jon motioned to approve the Minutes from August 15 as written. Danny seconded the motion and the motion passed.

President's Report- Danny

- Danny presented copies of the signed Memorandum of Understanding (attached). The most recent version of the MOU was not signed. Pat and Jon will schedule a meeting with Bobby Outten to see if we can revise the MOU.
- For fall ball we have 3 8u teams, 4 10u teams and 2 12u teams. Jerseys and hats have been ordered. Wednesday games- back field will have 2 10u games. Front field will have an early 8u game followed by a 12u game. One 8u game in Wanchese.

Treasurer Report- Fran advised that the bank balance is a little over \$29,000. We will roll over \$10,000 for next year. David Powers will remain our registered agent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fields and Facilities Committee (Bill)-

- Our batting cage request was denied. Danny will meet with the county again to come up with an alternate plan.
- Danny is ordering nets for the scoreboards. Danny will also get wooden borders approved for the new bullpens.
- We will have access to the new storage building in about 2 weeks.
- Zane thinks buying a shed would be the same price as enclosing under the scoreboard.

Equipment/Uniform Committee (Steve)- Steve passed out equipment bags to fall ball coaches. The new nets, mounds and plates are here, we need to schedule a work day.

Coaches Committee (Jon)- Fall ball coaches are good to go. Steve will set up a text group.

Concessions Committee (Chelsea)- The weekend tournament held at our fields brought in approximately \$600 in concessions.

Rules Committee (Pat)- For fall ball we will verbally communicate the local rule for 10U: a maximum of five (5) runs, or three (3) outs will constitute an offensive inning. The board would like to discuss the slide at home rule for next spring.

Fundraising Committee (Chelsea)- We could still use some sponsors and prizes for the golf tournament. We would like to get a gift for Lori Britt as a thank you for organizing the tournament every year.

Nominations Committee (Pat)- The board has 7 spots to fill in January. Board member nominations should be sent to Pat. Board members should also let Pat know if they would like to be reelected.

OLD BUSINESS

Address text messages and emails/board procedures and processes- Pat would like to see the board refocus our efforts on what is important for OBX Baseball. After some discussion the board agrees we need to regroup, be productive in our meetings, be efficient in our board communication, and focus on what is important.

Adjournment- Meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm by Danny. Next meeting is Tuesday, October 10.

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) made and entered the date of last execution by the parties, by and between The County of Dare (County), Dare County Board of Education (BOE), and OBX Baseball, Inc. (OBXB).

WITNESSETH:

Whereas, there are two baseball fields located at Kitty Hawk Elementary School (KHES) with the front field being designated as Field #1 and the back field being designated as Field #2; and

Whereas, the fields are currently used by KHES, OBXB, and County through its Recreation Department; and

Whereas, the parties desire to enter a MOU setting forth the responsibilities of each.

Now therefore, as a condition of using the fields, the parties desire to set forth the rights and responsibilities of the parties as follows:

1. KHES shall have the first priority in the use of the fields, parking areas, batting cages, concession stands etc. OBXB and County shall schedule their uses of the fields and the supporting facilities around the scheduled uses by KHES.
 2. At the beginning of each school year and prior to the start of school, KHES shall provide the County with a schedule of events to allow OBXB and County to schedule their activities at times that are not in conflict with KHES activities. Once scheduled, no changes may be made without the approval of the County Parks and Recreation Director and the Principal of the respective school impacted by the change. The parties will work together in good faith to accommodate the needs of each.
 3. County will coordinate with OBXB to schedule baseball activities. All contact concerning the use or maintenance of the fields shall be between County and BOE and County and OBXB.
 4. County will keep and maintain: (a) fields #1 and #2 inside the fenced area, including all of the playing areas, dugouts, and irrigation; (b) the fences and fence lines, lighting, press boxes, restrooms, fence cap, bleachers and concession stands; (c) the grass outside of the fenced areas from the home plate area down to the foul pole areas.
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5. The BOE will be responsible for cutting the grass area outside of the outfield fence on both fields, the grass area on the first base side on field 1, and all other KHES property not maintained by County.
6. OBXB shall: (a) after each game, practice or other use remove all trash and debris from the dugouts, bleacher area and areas adjacent to fences such that these areas are clear of all trash and debris; (b) after each game or practice sweep all dugouts and remove all equipment from dugouts; (c) insure that when not in use, all equipment shall be placed in it proper storage area and not left outside, in a dugout, bathroom or concession stand; (d) maintain all batting cages, which includes all supporting poles, ground cover, netting, and lighting (e) turn off the field lights after the completion of games, practices or other OBXB activities.
7. OBXB SHALL NOT: (a) put fertilizer, grass seed or chemicals on any of the fields; (b) put lime or any other markings on any of the grassed base lines (c) open the sprinkler control box or otherwise adjust, turn on or turn off, or otherwise change the programming of the irrigation system; (d) apply "Turfus" or any other materials to the infields; (e) perform any maintenance on the fields.
8. This agreement sets forth all of the understandings of the parties and supersedes all other agreements or understandings, written or oral. This agreement may only be amended in writing with the consent of all parties.
9. This agreement may be terminated by any party, for any reason or no reason, upon 180 days written notice to the other parties.

In witness whereof, the parties have executed this agreement the date set forth below.

Dare County Board of Education

Stephen J. Basnight
 Superintendent
 Date: 2/13/23

Dare County

Aditts
 County Manager
 Date: 3/6/23

Outer Banks Babe Ruth Baseball

Dan J. Jantz
 President
 Date: 5/1/23