

# BATBA Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## Board Members in Attendance

Chris Coleman—President

Chris Cazin – Facilities & Equipment Director

Lindsey Hanson- Secretary

Bryan Guse–Traveling Director

Andy Burmeister– Tournament Director

Craig Schlichting- Assist. Tournament Director

Terra Favilla—Communication Director

## Absent

Kevin Bross – Vice President

Ryan Busch– Administrative Director

Erik Peterson – Treasurer

Ryan Busch– Administrative Director

### **Begin: 7:00**

#### **Financial Report**

- Bryan Guse shared treasurer report
- Main expenditures were for 15U registration which we will be reimbursed for by the high school players.
- There were several tournament expenses including the additional bat order and tournament awards.

#### **Apparel**

- The tournament shirt order form is ready to be sent out and the hard cutoff will be 4/25 to make sure the shirts will be ready on tournament weekend.
- There were a few requests to reopen the spirit wear store so we will open the spirit wear to match the time frame of tournament shirt store.

#### **Fundraising**

- The new banners have been ordered and will be put up at the fields next week.
- Lindsey requested \$200 to buy stationary for thank you letters and that was approved.
- Lindsey requested that we make signs for both the Blaine association and the Miracle league (\$200 per sign for 5 fields) \$2,000. Bryan made a motion to approve the \$2,000 and Terra second, approved.

#### **Social Media Updates**

- Terra has been able to connect on social media with other baseball associations.
- Terra will also work with the teams to start tagging Blaine Baseball in their posts on social media.
- Terra is also working on a communication to the elementary and middle schools to promote the August tryout before kids leave school for the summer.

### **Summer Season**

- Uniforms are almost ready and should be at Bryan's house by Wednesday of next week. Bryan will communicate with teams once uniforms have arrived and when they can pick them up at his house.

### **Team Pictures**

- Dates for pictures have been selected for teams based on their game days. 3 teams will go the first night and 10 teams the second night.
- Order forms will be placed on the website, sent to the team manager for deployment, and also handed out the night of pictures if needed. Cash and check will be accepted.

### **BATBA/SLP Subcommittee**

- Scoreboard Project – scoreboard has been ordered and estimated arrival is end of June. SLP plans on working on cementing in posts in May once the frost is out of the ground. Lindsey is trying to find a contact at Cemstone to potentially donate cement.
- Cloverleaf Fence – The fence company has communicated the fence should go in next week pending warmer weather.
- Peterson Bullpen – Looking to add ag lime and clay in a few low spots. The turf still needs to be taped once the weather warms up. Will also need to add weighted buckets to hold down the tarps over the mounds.

### **Miracle League**

- Each team is expected to represent BATBA and partner with Miracle League for their games during the 2022 season. Bryan will communicate to coaches about the expectation.

### **Tournament**

- 11AA division is still at only 2 teams – Andy has two potential teams that will know by the end of the weekend. We will let the one current non-Blaine team signed up that we are actively trying to add teams but the division may need to be cut.
- Andy is going to work with Ryan Busch to get a communication out to request four wheelers/ATV/UTV donations for the tournament weekend in exchange for volunteer hours. The email will also include the numerous other volunteer opportunity that will be available that weekend.
- Craig gave a concession update that the Ham Lake concessions will be run by Soderville
- Andy is going to reach out to last years site directors to see if they are interested in working this year's tournament.
- Craig is going to start putting together some preliminary schedules to see if we can combine multiple divisions at the same site. Craig will also work with the head coaches to put the teams in division to try to allow teams to play teams they don't see during the season.
- Andy is working to determine dates for families to drop off donations for the tournament (ex. Candy, pop, water, cash)

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