



Bismarck Youth Fastpitch Softball Association Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Information:

Meeting Title	Board Meeting	Time	6:30 pm
Date	9/5/2023	Location	Exxon/Zoom
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	Y	Jesse Klautd	R	N	Brian Neuhardt
R	Y	Heath Lessard	R	Y	Beth Carlson
R	Y	Jeremy Twete	R	Y	Carinna Hendrickson
R	Y	Melissa Artlip	R	Y	Nick Roemmich
R	Y	Darby Krivoruchka			

Agenda/Minutes:

Item	Topic	Owner
1.	Call To Order	Matt
	a. President Matt called the meeting to order with 11 members present.	
2.	Approval of May Minutes	Jessica
	a. Scott motioned, Jeremy second. Motion carried.	
3.	Board Member Nominations	Matt
	a. Nominations were received	
	i. President-Matt Liudahl; Vice-President-Scott Owens; Secretary-VACANT; Website/Technology Director-VACANT; Summer League Coordinator-Jamie Turner; Asst. Summer League Coordinator-VACANT; Umpire Coordinator-VACANT; Travel Team Coordinator-Nick Roemmich; Asst. Travel Team Coordinator- Carinna Hendrickson; Member at Large- Fred Schauer, Jeremy Twete, Jesse Klautd	
4.	Treasurer Report	Heath
	a. Heath presented treasurer report with details on Blast, Travel, Summer League, Clinics, and fundraising/donations.	
5.	USA Softball Report	Brian
	a. No report	
6.	Old Business	Matt
	a. Summer League	
	i. Equipment inventory – need to schedule	
	1. 8U - Ideas for electric pitching machines, spring replacement for pitching machines?	
	2. Review the rules to make sure the other practice night is not optional.	
	ii. Format-table until November	
	1. Program length	
	2. Practice/games	
	3. Mandan participation	
	4. Registration for next season	



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- iii. Survey results – tabled until October
 - 1. 6u season length
 - 2. Summer league tournament double-elimination
- iv. Participant growth chart reviewed

- b. Equipment
 - i. Equipment needs - tabled until inventory is completed
- c. Division Representatives/Committee Recap-table until February
- d. Travel Program
 - i. Director report/recap
 - 1. Tournament changes
 - 2. Early communication with Lane
 - ii. Survey results reviewed and discussed
 - iii. Uniform return: Tuesday, Sept 12 at McQuade parking lot 5:30-6pm
 - iv. Logo discussed
 - v. Tryout dates to remain at the same timeframe
 - vi. Travel players in summer league
 - 1. Swap 8u & 10u game nights
 - 2. Jesse motioned to pull all travel kids out of summer league. Nick second.
 - a. Discussion: Concerns are financial repercussions. Analysis for last 2 years has been requested, due next meeting. Coaching pool and recruitment are also concerns.
 - b. Motion remains on the table for next meeting.
- e. Fundraising/Sponsorship
 - i. Midco application – did not receive
 - ii. Capital Credit Union – Yeti/goodies giveaway
 - iii. Old 10 – Matt contact
 - iv. Sanford POWER – Matt contact
 - v. Discount card – tabled until next meeting
- f. Communications/Marketing/Community
 - i. 2023-2024 Communications Plan
 - ii. Social Media
 - iii. Bismarck Larks – July 5 - Recap

7. New Business

All attendees

- a. Off-Season Training
 - i. Nov 5-Dec 17 – 7 consecutive Sundays
 - ii. \$3150 (same as last year)
 - iii. 10-12yo: 12pm-1:30
 - iv. 13-18yo: 1:30-3pm
 - v. \$140/player to participate
- b. Spring & Intro Camps – requested dates with Lane
- c. Clothing store-tabled until October

8. Other Business

All attendees

9. Review Action Items

All attendees



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Action Items:

#	Action Item	Assigned To	Due Date
1	Off Season Training: Create new registration, promote	Jess	9/30/2023
2	Schedule Spring & Intro Camps with Lane	Matt/Jess	10/15/2023
3	Schedule Pitching & Catching Camps with Lane, ensure coach availability	Darby/Jess	10/15/2023
4	Sparks travel coaches: draft and post job openings on website, promote, reach out to potential coaches	Darby/Jess	10/15/2023
5	2023-2024 board member election: create ballot, notification of election	Jess	9/30/2023
6	Conduct equipment inventory	All	12/31/2023