

**Farmington Girls Fastpitch Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting- Open Session**  
**July 16th- Celts – Farmington MN – 6pm**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Gretchen Lilja – Secretary  
Eric McAbee- Vice President  
Katelyn Genzler – Assistant Concessions  
Kacie Robinson – Communications  
Meredith Peine - Frenzy Tournament Director  
Jeff Buck- President  
Tamara Barum- Fundraising  
Jen Asleson-Equipment Director  
Rob Grissom-Field/Facilities  
Kristina Young – Concessions  
Kelsey Bohlig In-House Director  
Neena Wilcox- Program Development  
Lindsey Schepers- Treasurer

**Board Members not in Attendance:**

Chad Redman – Travel Director  
Tara Lemke – Apparel  
Sara Perkinson- Volunteer coordinator/Frenzy assistant

Call to Order

Approval of minutes from last meeting(s): June 11, 2023

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- Kelsey made a motion to approve open minutes, Meredith seconded motion, board voted, no opposition- minutes approved

## Open items

- Fall Ball/Website (6:03-6:15pm)
  - Registration for 12U+ will launch after fall ball starts
  - No make-ups available unless doctors note
  - Petitions to move up to 12's to be sent via email to Jeff/Chad/Eric
    - All petitions will be reviewed by the board, players who would have moved up under old rules will be approved, all other petitions will be reviewed.
    - All petitions due by 9/22 to be reviewed at 9/24 meeting
  - Fall ball- 73 players currently registered, moving deadline to 7/30
- 6U Skills Night (6:15-6:20pm)
  - Will plan \$250-300 for food for skills night
  - Older girls coming to do eye black and skills night
  - Josh will plan to grill burgers/hot dogs
- 12U Qualifier (6:20-6:30pm)
- Concessions
  - Frenzy
    - Popcorn didn't sell, won't do next year.
    - Pretzels and nachos went well, will continue with those
    - Roman went really well, will continue that next year.
    - Suggestion for hot pockets for next year
    - Both weekends
      - \$2600 cc sales
      - \$17,000 cash sales
      - \$6200 in costs
      - ~\$13,000 is total sales
    - For next year, will plan to document more clearly on receipts to better account for expenses by board members, ice/propane etc.
  - Qualifier
    - Currently at a loss due to the rain outs and current sitting inventory, \$2200 in food
    - Reached out to fire fighters and NAFA in Eagan to see if anyone wants to purchase our left-over inventory. Midwest speed has a tournament Labor Day weekend, so another option as well.
    - Lots of positive feedback to board and non-board FGFA families for their work throughout the weekend.
    - For future- would do two sites vs three given the logistics of three fields
    - Tabs for board members at tournaments not working, will plan to get rid of that options
  - Fall Ball
    - Will plan to host fall state 9/23 & 24
    - 4 weekends for league- all Stelzel would be Saturdays and Sunday, open and close

- Times for fall ball games
      - 900, 1030, 12, 130, 3 and 430
      - Needs dates/time chunks
  - Lindsey
    - Current balance \$81,469.44
      - Checking ~\$57,000
    - Working on adding field improvement account
    - Working on getting concessions their own debit card
    - Working on getting documentation up to date so all money is accounted for
      - Entertaining quick books or other apps to help track expenses and reimbursements

#### New Items

- Board Positions (6:30-6:45pm)
  - **Vice President-Eric staying**
  - **Secretary- Gretchen staying**
  - **Program Development Director- Neena not running**
  - **Fundraising Coordinator- open**
  - **Frenzy Tournament Director- Meredith staying**
  - **Communications Director- Kacie undecided**
  - **Concession Coordinator- Kristina not renewing**
  - **Frenzy Tournament Assistant -non voting Member- open**
  
- Field Improvements (6:45-7:00pm)
  - MSC came out and surveyed our field grading
  - They recommend maintenance on fields every two years
  - Current estimate is ~\$33,250, but the hope would be that if we do this big investment now, maintenance would be around \$1500-2000 per field which we would set up two fields per year to even out the costs.
  - Discussion surrounding how we can work with school employees to improve the dragging of the fields.
  - Discussion surrounding pros and cons of this investment, the other teams/groups that use the fields. What options do we have to use BMS more to see the return on investment.
  - Biffs and handwashing station are additional cost when using BMS vs Empire
  - Discussion surrounding what the school charges for and where the money we give them goes
  - Discussion surround getting additional bids to check the validity of the estimates
  - Discussion surrounding the benefits of these improvements and how the girls and families should be benefiting from registration fees that they play.
  - Discussion surrounding registration fees and price increases and the implications for families.
  - Will plan to make a vote at August meeting

- What would be the cost if we did B&C this year, and A&D the following year?

Presidents Notes (7:15-7:28pm)

- Discussion surrounding an assistant coach who was promised by his head coach that his volunteer hours are covered and then this coach was #3 assistant coach. Discussed previous situations and how things were handled. **The board recommends that Sara should communicate to the head coach that volunteer hours are covered for 2 assistant coaches and hours for the third coach will need to be paid for.**
  - Discussion surrounding adding the above policy into the coaches binders. Will work on forming a committee to re-vamp these binders.
- Discussion surrounding doing better regarding collecting checks next year and not allowing players to tryout.
- If unable to collect checks from two players who didn't produce checks or do hours, those players are unable to tryout Oct 7<sup>th</sup>.

Call to Close 7:29pm

Kelsey made a motion to close the meeting, Eric seconded the motion- board voted, no opposition, meeting ended.

- FUTURE MEETING DATES:
- August 20, 2023
- September 24, 2023- elections
- October 22, 2023