

# Bloomington Fastpitch Association

## Board of Directors

### Meeting Minutes – March 7th, 2011

#### I. Call to Order

Jason Wendlandt called to order the regular meeting of the Bloomington Fastpitch Association Board of Directors at 7:03 p.m. on Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at the Bloomington Center for the Arts, 1800 West Old Shakopee road, Bloomington, MN.

#### II. Attendance

The following persons were present:

Board Members: Jason Wendlandt, Mike Kopischke, Grant Effertz, Carrie Miller, Mark Flugstad, Bob Christianson, Beth Johnson, Jim Hanson, Kevin Caspers, Lisa Greely, Tod Deming and Lori Hanken and Amy Christiansen.

Non-board Members: Mike Carr, Diana Williams and Amy Huett

#### III. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Motion made by Jason Wendlandt and seconded by Beth Johnson that we approve the minutes from February, 2011. MOTION PASSED.

#### IV. Other Business – Old

##### A. Registration Numbers

- Five 8U, eighteen 10U, thirty-five 12U, twenty-four 14U and thirteen 16U.
- Beth will be double checking the registrations and birthdates tonight to validate initial numbers.
- Beth will be matching up birth certificates and medical releases with the registrations and email with any missing information before Saturday tryouts.
- Beth will put all paperwork together that is needed for tryouts and bring on Saturday.
- Teams will be formed and posted on the website by 3/25
- Suburban league coaches meeting is 4/5
- Coaches meeting is scheduled for 4/12
- Parent meeting is scheduled for 4/17
- Practices will start the week of 4/18
- Beth and Lori will clean up the member list and meet with Grant on putting the list into a contact management tool. Targeting to have this done by the time teams are formed and posted on 3/25.
- Diana and Beth will meet Tuesday, 3/8, to consolidate the registration and sizing lists. They will email registered players to remind them of tryouts on Saturday with a cc to Jason.

B. Spirit Wear Update

- Sold \$2,453 of spirit wear at registration out of the \$5,100 purchased. Will continue to sell at tryouts and the parent meeting. Uniforms will be ordered after both tryouts.

C. Coaches Signed Up – looking good except for possibly at the 10U level

D. Water Park Event

- Great event! Thanks to all who made it happen. A special thanks to Jill Caspers for all her work on the event.
- BFA is considering different dates for the event next year.
- Estimating approximately \$4,100 in profit for BFA

V. Other Business – New

A. How to handle open 10U and 12U teams

- Discussion around the question – should we allow open 10U and 12U teams in the Bloomington tournament. 12U open teams will not be allowed in the Suburban League. Agreement we will allow 12U open teams to play in our tournament if they agree to play 14U elite. Will allow 14U+ if they agree to play Elite.

B. Possibility of a 14U Elite Team

- n/a

C. NAFA Tournament

- Scheduled for July 21 – 24
- Amy will discuss at the parent meeting and see what interest we can get in volunteering from the 10U teams. Depending on interest, we may consider utilizing other Bloomington Booster organizations.

VI. Directors Reports

A. President's Report: Jason Wendlandt

- League play will begin approximately the week of 5/9
- Association insurance should be renewed by 4/20 or shortly thereafter
- Tod will review and recommend updates to the BFA handbook

B. Vice President's Report: Mike Kopischke

- Beth and Diane will go through the registration sheets and let Mike know of any volunteers

C. Treasurer's Report: Tod Deming

- Provided updated financials

D. Secretary's Report: Carrie Miller

- Asked for an update on the scorekeeping clinic. Mike Carr is happy to do it if BFA will get it scheduled. Jason will email Bob to see if we can get the JAC team room and schedule.

E. Commissioner's Report: Mark Flugstad

- No report.

F. Assistant Commissioner's Report: Bob Christiansen

- Emailed Jason Hicks on getting MacAndrew's for pitching clinics. No response yet.
- G. Member Services & Membership Report: Beth Johnson
- No report.
- H. Marketing Report: Lori Hanken
- No report.
- I. Player Development: Jim Hanson
- Jim has booked Julie Healey and Amy Huett on alternating weeks for the summer pitching clinics.
- J. Tournament Director: Kevin Caspers
- 10 of the 16 Elite spots are booked
  - 18 of the 64 spots are booked for the rest of the tournament
  - Expect to start seeing more registrations in the next couple weeks
- K. Fundraising: Lisa Greely
- Culvers fundraiser raised approximately \$230
- L. Website: Grant Effertz
- Cause marketing company wants to come in and present an opportunity to use them as a fundraiser. Agreement they are worth listening to.
- M. Open Comments
- Amy Huett joined the meeting to discuss the possibility of adding 3 non-Bloomington players to the 14U team (2 strong pitchers and a strong catcher). Concern expressed with the total number of 14U players and how to balance with the needs of the Bloomington girls. General agreement we could possibly create a win / win situation. Players will attend Saturday tryouts and be evaluated.

## VII. Adjournment

Jason adjourned the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

The next meeting will be Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Carrie Miller

Minutes approved by: Jason Wendlandt