



BLOOMINGTON FASTPITCH ASSOCIATION

Monday April 1st, 2013 7:00 PM

Bloomington Center for the Arts- Dakota Room

- I. Call to order
 - a. Karen Johnson called to order the regular meeting of the Bloomington Fastpitch Association Board of Directors at 7:03pm on Monday, April 1st 2013 at the Bloomington Center for the Arts, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington MN
- II. Attendance
 - a. Board members in attendance: Karen Johnson, Cathy Currier, Mike Kopischke, Craig Johnson, Bob Christiansen, Grant Effertz, Carol Effertz, Penny Hanson, Jim Leicht, Brad Currier
 - b.
 - c. Other attendees: Todd Deming, Diana Williams, John Jensen, Amy Christiansen
- III. Approve Prior Meeting Minutes (March 2013)
 - a. Motion to approve March 2013 Meeting Minutes by Cathy Currier and second by Jim Leicht
 - b.
 - c. Motion Approved
- IV. Old Business
 - a. USSSA July Tournament
USSSA advised BFA unable to host or cohost a July tournament. USSSA will move forward with hosting a July tournament independent of BFA.
- V. New Business
 - a. Team Evaluations and Selections Recap (Jim Leicht)
In general the new evaluation process went well
Live pitching was good but as pitchers tired more difficult for hitting evaluations
10U's were a little confused more direction would help keep players better organized
Suggestions to refine process discussed and will be reviewed for incorporation into future evaluation and selection process
 - b. Pitching Clinics (general discussion)
 - i. Players not taking advantage of BFA offerings – low turnout inconsistent attendance
 - ii. Clinic offerings to be reviewed to encourage/improve consistent attendance
 - c. Dome Ball
 - i. Add 2 questions to Parent/Player Evaluations
 1. Interest in Dome Ball
 2. Desire to play full or partial season
 - d. Bash Planning (Brad Currier, Penny Hanson, Beth Johnson)
 - i. 10's, 14's, 16's, Elite divisions are full; 12's 2 B/C slots open, 8's 3 open slots
 - ii. Securing bids for Medic services
 - iii. Dugout will be measured for tarp covers
 - iv. Craig Johnson and Bob Christiansen will provide Penny Hanson with site plan with area dimensions as requested to identify vendor placement on site plan.
 - v. Identified vendor set up, take down and minimum hours of operation to be included in criteria Penny Hanson uses when signing up vendors

- e. Coach Application process (Cathy Currier)
 - i. Motion by Cathy Currier: Change coach applications to every 3 years to match background check timing. Second by Craig Johnson
 - ii. Motion Approved

- f. Parent Meeting
 - i. BFA parent meeting April 14
 - 1. Karen, Cathy, Mike and Jim will meet to prepare agenda
 - ii. Clutch Hitters parent meeting April 28
- g. Promotional Opportunity - MLB Pitch Hit & Run
 - i. Insufficient time to plan event – potential for future opportunity though
- h. BFA Picnic
 - i. Currently planned for May 1 but still subject to change based on weather
 - ii. BFA will host picnic serving hotdogs, chips, beverages for 300
- i. Suburban League Update
 - i. Upcoming Meeting dates
 - ii. League Game dates by age level
 - iii. 8u games/tournaments

VI. Director Reports

- a. President: Karen Johnson
- b. Vice President: Cathy Currier
- c. Treasurer: Mike Kopischke
- d. Secretary: Jeri Rosenberg
- e. Commissioner: Craig Johnson
- f. Facilities Coordinator: Bob Christiansen
- g. Communications Director: Grant Effertz
- h. Member Services & Membership: Carol Effertz
- i. Marketing Fund Raising: Penny Hanson
- j. Player Development: Jim Leicht
- k. Tournament Co-Directors: Brad Currier, Beth Johnson