

Blaine Youth Football

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order

Shawn called to order the regular meeting of Blaine Youth Football at 7:08pm on March 12, 2023 at Blaine Baseball Complex(BBC).

II. Roll call

The following persons were in attendance:

Board Members: Jesse Schwartz, Darrell Colman, Adam Byam, Greg Baumann, Jebidiah Kuseske, Scott Zappa, Shawn Robideau, Noah Johnson (8th Grade Commissioner), and Corey Dexter (Flag Commissioner), Autumn Maring (Social Media/Communication)

Advisory Members: Matt Smude

Community Members: None

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Shawn motioned and Greg seconded to approve February's meeting minutes to be approved. Motion passed; February meeting minutes approved.

IV. Community Member Request(s)

V. Open Issues

- a) Scoreboard Payments- Waiting on Centennial's Check
 - i) Where are we at with Centennial?
 - (1) Shawn talked with Centennial. They requested invoices and will be this month.
- b) Scholarships
 - i) Who is being awarded a Scholarship?
 - (1) Board made decision on scholarship recipients and amount. Darrell motioned to approve 3 scholarships (\$1000, \$500, \$500). Greg seconded. Motion passed.
- c) Coaching Surveys
 - i) Has every Commissioner reached out to their coaches?
 - (1) Commissioners were asked to come to next meeting with recommendations on coaches and improvement.

- d) Blaine Youth Football Survey Results
 - i) Discuss, address issues, and build a plan
 - (1) Board discussed survey results. No major points of concern.
- e) Sponsorship Coordinator/Marketing/Promotions
 - i) Jon Maring would like to bring his expertise to Blaine Youth Football. Jon will call into our Meeting and participate
 - ii) This would be a non-voting Board Member position
 - (1) Board approved to add Jon Maring as non-voting member for BYF Sponsorship Coordinator/Marketing/Promotions.
- f) USA Football Silver and Gold
 - i) Darrell will take the lead on this and explain the benefits of the program
 - (1) Discussed Silver and Gold levels. Darrell to get more information on requirements.
- g) Equipment Handout for Saint Cloud State Event (Scott) - Move to next month's meeting
 - i) Date needs to be determined
 - (1) Who is going to handle this?
- h) Equipment Handout for 7th and 8th Grade for June Mini Camp (Scott)
 - i) June 20th, 22nd, 27th, and 29th
 - (1) Equipment handout will be on June 18th.
- i) Apparel Switch to Xtreme - Move to next month's meeting
 - i) Coaches allowance
 - (1) Each team will receive \$100 towards the purchase of coaches gear. This will be delivered in a promo code to the head coach
 - ii) Jerseys
 - (1) Flag
 - (a) If we get Xtreme a list of names and go with the simple 1-15, they can turn these around in 2-3 days
 - (b) Coaches would get sizing samples of the shirts, have the kids try them on, and the coach would drop the shirts off at Xtreme
 - (c) Cost is \$13 per shirt, kids will get their last name and a number 1-15, and Xtreme will have their logo on the sleeve
 - (i) We need to identify ideal colors for these shirts
 - (2) 2nd and 3rd Grade
 - (a) BYF will proceed with reversible jerseys at this level at a cost of \$55 per jersey

- (b) Colors need to be determined. We could go with multiple color combinations or go with a white on one side and a navy or Bengal blue on the other.
- (c) Sizes, Numbers, and Names need to be established at equipment handout
 - (i) Ideally we turn these sheets into Xtreme by August 9th
 - (ii) Turnaround time for a September 9th start is 100% doable

j) NMYFL Items

- i) Jesse is still in the process of receiving feedback and thoughts from nearby Associations on their leagues
- ii) Notes from NMYFL meeting
 - (1) Centennial will use their own fields
 - (2) NMYFL will change rules for 8 man football
 - (3) MYAS – 2 tournaments
 - (a) Labor Day Weekend
 - (b) MEA Weekend
 - (4) Chris to talk to the City of Blaine (Nate) about fields at the Aquatore fields.

k) Budget

- i) Do we have a updated budget to review for 2023?
 - (1) Due to increase in City of Blaine player fees, Darrell motioned to increase tackle registration to \$270 for early bird. Scott seconded and motion passed.

l) Flag Football

- i) Jamboree needs details and Dates
 - (1) Corey Dexter should take the lead on this and bring his Plan of Action to April's Meeting
 - (a) Board decided to work on including Flag in the All-Blaine Scrimmage Night.

m) Blaine Youth Football Communications (Adam)

- i) Did we get anywhere with Sports Engine for Emails or another company?
- ii) Are we will in the same boat with previous credentials for members?

n) Dates for Blaine Highschool Training Programs (Smude)

- i) Football Open House
 - (1) April 30th or May 7th
- ii) Youth Football Camp
 - (1) Is July 31st- August 3rd a go?
- iii) Lineman Camp

(1) July 10th-12th 3rd-8th Grade. Do we have times yet?

iv) QB Camp

(1) July 10th-12th 3rd-8th Grade. Do we have dates and times yet?

v) Coaches Clinic. Do we have dates and times yet?

o) April's Meeting Date

i) April 9th is Easter Sunday

(1) Moved to April 2nd

VI. New Business

a) Discuss moving elections to October/November meeting.

b) Blaine Youth Football will attend the McKinley carnival to promote football registration.

VII. Parking Lot Items

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VIII. Additional Topics

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IX. Next Board Meeting

April 2nd at 7:00pm; Blaine Baseball Complex

X. Adjournment

Scott adjourned the meeting at 9:06pm. Seconded by Greg.