

APPROVED 2/16/2025

BYBS Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date: 01/12/2025

Location: Berlin Lanes

- 1) Call to Order: 5:30pm by Micky
- 2) Roll Call
 - a. Board Present: Gumtow, Wollert, Marshall, Pulvermacher, K. Parker, M. Miller, J. Miller, Coach Jeff, Absent: NONE
 - b. Membership: Parker, Parker, Miller
- 3) Membership Input
 - a. None
- 4) Correspondence
 - a. Micky – One 9u player wants to move up to 10u but numbers wise makes sense to keep at their proper grade level and keep number of players even on each tournament team
 - b. Micky – One 9u player said they are declining their position on the tournament team so that team is down from 11 to 10 players right now
- 5) Discussion
 - a. Meeting Minutes
 - i. Kari makes a motion to approve last month's meeting minutes, Mike seconds, all present were in favor, no neighs, minutes are approved
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - i. A. Toney sent all information to Micky prior to the meeting
 - ii. Discussion on moving financial year from August to July instead of January to December.
 - iii. 3 checks in question in the report shared, based on the numbers they look like umpire payments from last season, but clear currently until board gets in contact with the bank to confirm.
 - iv. There were 2 deposits from 2 sponsors plus a deposit from Chevy and an unknown deposit of \$20.00
 - v. We have started paying money out for the tournament teams to register for 2025 tournaments in other cities.
 - vi. We have started receiving money from cities that are joining our Home Berlin 2025 Tournament
 - vii. Kari made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, Mike seconded, all present were in favor, no neighs, report approved

- c. Bank Authorization Vote
 - i. A. Toney formally resigned her position as Treasurer in an email. Email was read aloud to the attendees.
 - ii. Kari made a motion to “REMOVE” Amanda Toney, Russ L, Yahn S from the current bank account and “ADD” Jared Marshall and Michael Gumtow, Jared seconded, all present were in favor, no neighs, bank authorization changes approved
- d. Tournament Team Updates
 - i. Boys Coaches determined: Jacob & Matt for 10U, Bryant for 9U, Joe for 8U, Justin for 12U
 - ii. Girls 10U collaboration with another city: No progress, no responses received from any other areas. Mike & Micky will continue to search.
 - iii. Registrations for tournaments in other cities
 - 1. 8U has Berlin, Portage, and uncertain if any more so far?
 - 2. 9U has Berlin, Ripon, Markesan, and Portage and is done registering
 - 3. 10U has Berlin and uncertain if any more so far?
 - 4. 12U has Berlin, Ripon, Horicon, Waupaca, Wautoma, and Greenville and is done registering
- e. League Registration Updates
 - i. Justin has mocked up a 2025 “shorter” online registration and will email everybody after making any changes discussed tonight
 - ii. Targeting Justin sending out link in next day or two, target the Board reviewing and providing feedback by Jan 20th, targeting registration go-live online to public Jan 27th , planning in-person registration for Feb 16th 5:30pm to 6:30pm (same as board meeting time) at Masticola’s (Kari will reach out to ask) , plan on closing registration Feb 28th at midnight. Late fee of \$25.00 will be applied for anyone after that and late registration could go up until jersey’s are ordered.
 - iii. Discussion about giving every player a new hat/visor or making it optional.
 - iv. Pricing discussion which includes Jersey, hat discussion, League fees, Insurance costs, and Umpires.
 - v. Micky calculated approximate cost per/player to the league last year in 2024
 - 1. ~\$24 for tball/coach pitch
 - 2. ~\$68 for minors/majors in Ripon
 - 3. ~\$60 for minors/majors/seniors in Waushara

4. ~\$190 for tournament teams
- vi. Last year's registration fees were as follows
 1. \$30 for tball/coach pitch
 2. \$60 for minors/majors
 3. \$75 for seniors
 4. \$130 for 8U/9U
 5. \$180 for 11U
- vii. Mike made a motion for Rec League registration fees to say the same as last year but making hats optional for minors/majors/seniors at an additional \$10 cost, Kari seconded, all present were in favor, no neighs, rec league fees approved
 1. \$30.00 for Tball/Coach Pitch in Berlin
 - a. Hat included (no option for a visor)
 2. \$60.00 for Minors/Majors in Ripon & Waushara Leagues
 - a. \$10.00 optional hat or visor
 3. \$75.00 for Seniors in Waushara League
 - a. \$10.00 optional hat or visor
- viii. Jared made a motion to keep boys 8U/9U cost the same but increase 10U and 12U costs slightly due to increased number of tournaments and costs from outside cities, Kari seconded, all present were in favor, no neighs, tournament team fees approved
 1. \$130 for 8U Tournament Team Players & their Rec League fees
 - a. \$10.00 optional hat
 2. \$130 for 9U Tournament Team Players & their Rec League fees
 - a. \$10.00 optional hat
 3. \$150 for 10U Tournament Team Players & their Rec League fees
 - a. \$10.00 optional hat
 4. \$200 for 12U Tournament Team Players & their Rec League fees
 - a. \$10.00 optional hat
- ix. Insurance Discussion, Micky working on next payment. Last payment was ~\$720.00. Micky will research that now before the next open gyms or winter clinics.
- x. Sports Engine Credit Card Fees discussion
 1. Last Year
 - a. 3.25% plus \$1.00 was passed on to registrants through Sports Engine
 2. Motion made by Jared for the league to absorb the cost (approximately \$630) during registration thus removing the

Sports Engine Credit Card fees from the player registration cost, Kari Seconded, all present were in favor, no neighs, credit card fee removal approved

- a. Justin will need to make this change on the Sports Engine website

xi. Team Sponsorship Fee Discussion

1. Last year

- a. \$175 for Tball/Coach Pitch teams
- b. \$275 for Minors/Majors/Seniors teams
- c. \$350 for Tournament Teams

2. Jared made a motion to keep the same sponsorship fees as last year, Mike seconded, all present were in favor, no neighs, sponsorship fees approved

xii. Coach discount discussion

1. Tabled until a future meeting

xiii. Bumper Sticker handout during registration discussion

1. Mike had sent out a proposal for Berlin car bumper and helmet stickers to hand out during or after league registration.

Mockup has BYBS in the logo with a baseball, suggestion was to change it to the word Berlin.

2. Kari made a motion to spend up to \$750 on Berlin car bumper and helmet stickers to hand out during registration, Tanya seconded, all present were in favor, no neighs, bumper sticker purchase approved

- a. Mike will follow through on updating the logo and ordering the bumper/helmet stickers to be used by Feb 16th in-person registration date

xiv. Discussion of Micky getting Jared jersey and hat information from last year so Jared can look into this year ideas

f. Home Tournament Updates

- i. Entry fees for tournament was done via board email discussion and completed prior to the meeting

1. \$200 for 8U
2. \$225 for 9U
3. \$250 for 10U
4. \$275 for 12U

- ii. City of Berlin charging a new “Large Event Fee” for our tournament this year of \$100 deposit per Field per Day, so that would total \$900 to the city that we’d hopefully get our money back since it’s a deposit
- iii. Registration Status
 - 1. 8U Berlin & Fond du Lac, (Kimberly is pending date)
 - 2. 9U is FULL (Berlin, Ripon, Laconia, Portage), FDL on waiting list
 - 3. 10U is Berlin (no other teams so far)
 - 4. 12U is Berlin, Ripon, & St. Peters, (Kimberly is pending date)
- iv. Dates per Age Level
 - 1. Board decision was
 - a. Saturday
 - i. 9U (North Diamond)
 - ii. 12U (South Diamond)
 - b. Sunday
 - i. 8U (Klein Diamond)
 - ii. 10U (North Diamond)
- v. South Diamond bases
 - 1. Discussed moving the bases back, city gave us the post holes for the new bases, discussed doing this early in spring to team can practice as longer bases
- vi. Scoreboards
 - 1. Tanya had somebody test the Klein diamond controller and it passed as working, so the glitchy issues might be related to the box that is in the ground
 - 2. South diamond scoreboard the city is going to have somebody go out and check on it, we will need that functional for home tournament
- vii. Porta Potties discussion
 - 1. Tabled for a future meeting
- viii. Dumpsters discussion
 - 1. Tabled for a future meeting
- ix. Kids Logo contest idea for tournament
 - 1. Tabled for a future meeting
- g. Sponsorship Outfield Sign discussion
 - i. Discussion of banner choice last meeting of \$75 cost
 - ii. Jared made a motion of \$200.00 per Sign per Field cost for sponsorship banner on North and/or South diamonds, Kari seconded, all present were in favor, no neighs, banner cost approved

- iii. Discussion to offer banners only after team sponsorship process has been completed
 - h. Winter Clinic Status
 - i. Mike requested starting these up as soon as possible
 - ii. Discussion of setting this up after Micky completes insurance
 - iii. Discussion of Softball & Baseball collaborating to use the same gym and time slot, possible Sunday nights discussed, Micky will work on the collaboration as well as insurance
 - i. Replacing old equipment discussion/shed inventory
 - i. Tabled until a future meeting
 - j. Boys rec league location discussion
 - i. Tabled until a future meeting
 - k. Umpire discussion
 - i. Tabled until a future meeting
 - l. Big Project discussion
 - i. Kiwanis discussion, Jared met and had a collaboration agreement that agreed to work in the same building, together, they have a meeting of their own to discuss with membership. The agreement would setup a storefront of strictly cash based, and BYBS would need to give Kiwanis the menu items to put into the storefront and then as they are sold it would split them out by who provided the food. There was no additional discussion around building improvements or new items in the building. There was also discussion about charitable donations for small projects in the future.
 - ii. All other big project discussion tabled until a future meeting.
 - m. Open board position discussion
 - i. Treasurer
 - 1. Needs to be advertised and filled
- 6) Board Member Updates
- a. Coach Jeff – June 18, 19, 20th the annual FCA Summer Softball camp with head coach from Laconia helping
- 7) Future agenda items
- a. Coach discounts
 - b. Umpire discussions
 - c. Big Project discussions
 - d. Porta Potty's & Dumpsters for Tournament
 - e. Kid's Logo Contents for Tournament
 - f. Replace old equipment

- g. Boy's Rec League location discussion
 - h. Home Tournament Registration Status
 - i. Team Sponsorship Status
 - j. Outfield Banner Sponsorship Sale Status
 - k. Spring South Diamond bases date setup
 - l. Spring Batting Cage date setup
 - m. Open Treasurer position
 - n. Kiwanis Storefront menu items list
- 8) Upcoming Dates
- a. Feb 16th 5:30pm to 6:30pm in-person registration & board meeting possibly at Masticola's
- 9) Adjournment: Jared motions to adjourn, Kari seconds, all in favor, no neighs 7:26pm