

Minnetonka Baseball Association Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 12, 2013

Opening:

The meeting of the Minnetonka Baseball Association Board was called to order at 8:01 PM on December 12, 2013 by Kyle Heitkamp, President.

In Attendance:

Kyle Heitkamp (3/3), Kurtt Richman (3/3), Monica Kosvic (3/3), Kirsten Muller (3/3), Cam Johnson (2/3), Rob Hager (3/3), Matt Carter (3/3), Avery Scheib (3/3), Dave Maurer (3/3), Zarir Erani (2/3), Steve Countryman (3/3), Chad Johnson (2/3), Marty Kusar (3/3), Paul Twenge (2/3)

Absent:

Robbie Burkhart (2/3), Parker Gillespie (1/3), Jeff Elder (0/1), Greg Sanderson (1/3)

Approve Meeting Agenda/ Prior Month Minutes:

Motion to approve meeting agenda, prior month's minutes by Chad Johnson, second by Cam Johnson.

1. Approval of MBA Bylaws – M. Kosvic

MBA Bylaws presented. Motion to approve with revision to Article IV – Membership, Section 1 by Kristin Muller, second by Avery Scheib. Passed by majority vote, MBA Bylaws adopted 12/12/13.

2. Treasurers Report – K. Muller

2014 Budget presented. Majority of 2014 budget based on figures from 2013 budget. League Directors asked to review and go over with K. Muller if needed. Will look at fees, % of concession revenues from BFP, to reviewed at BFP Board Meeting in January. MBA officially recorded with MN Secretary of State as new entity. Motion to approve 2014 budget as presented by Kirstin Muller, second by Mary Kusar.

3. Sponsorships – S. Countryman

MBA Golf tournament scheduled for 6/23 at Deer Run Golf Course. Annual shopping date at Dicks Sporting Goods scheduled for March 8th. Valerie Gillespie heading up Opening Day ceremonies at BFP and Saints Night. Opening day scheduled for May 3rd, Saints Night scheduled for May 17th. Miller's night to be held at Vets field, date TBD, will need to be promoted.

4. 2014 League Structure –

Ages 5-12 –M. Carter

One open position remaining on Leadership roster, will recruit to be filled. Committee met on Sunday, determined League Coordinators to be responsible for updates to leagues as needed. Player selection process to be put into place, primary goal to have representation from all past leagues. 10-12 year old players to be evaluated, friend requests through 7 year olds. Will need to look at data collection during registration process. K. Heitkamp to look into availability of electricity on fields for 8 year olds, recommendations to be made at January meeting. All League Directors have been asked

to create league formats to be posted on website; information to be posted to website before registration open in January.

Ages 13-18 – K. Heitkamp

K. Heitkamp and P. Gillespie attended state Babe Ruth meeting. 2014 structure to be comprised of Prep -13 year olds; Classic – 14-15 year olds. 6 teams in each league. Post season tournament play up to coach discretion. Uniforms for 13-18 year olds to include standard blue Minnetonka hat with “M”. All information regarding uniforms to be posted on website.

5. Website – Z. Erani

Registration forms will need to be built to collect relevant data. All League Directors asked to submit outline for data collection as needed. Detailed information will be built into new registration page on website. League Directors to provide any relevant information to be posted to website regarding league structure.

6. Communications

No responses have been received regarding structure changes and Orientation meeting. Determined not to conduct Orientation meeting; MBA will not be part of BFP mailer for 2014.

7. Player Development - D. Maurer / R. Hager

Dome schedule set for clinics; 12 hours of half field in dome reserved; 9 hours of full field. If scheduled times not used/needed, can be sold back to Travel. Evaluation dates set, will be posted on website. Committee will meet to put together coach drills, standard rules to be taught to all players from coaches.

8. Umpires – A. Scheib

Apprentice program to be in place for 8 year olds. North Metro will handle Babe Ruth; Little League. Senior Babe Ruth Tier 1 scheduled by League. Communications will go out to potential umpires.

9. Scheduling – A. Scheib

All good to date for scheduling. Some concerns regarding loss of practice fields due to scheduled construction. M. Kusar will set date for pictures with S. Countryman.

Motion to adjourn by Zarir Erani, second by Avery Scheib. Meeting adjourned at 10:34 PM.

Meeting Minutes submitted by Monica Kosvic, Secretary