

**Minnetonka Baseball Association Board Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday March 12, 2015**

**Opening:**

The meeting of the Minnetonka Baseball Association Board was called to order at 7:35 PM on March 12, 2015 by Kyle Heitkamp, President.

**In Attendance:**

Kyle Heitkamp (6/6), Robbie Burkhart (5/6), Monica Kosvic (6/6), Kirsten Muller (5/6), Brian Schimke (5/6), Rob Hager (5/6), Parker Gillespie (4/6), Chad Johnson (5/6), Avery Scheib (6/6), Dave Maurer (5/6), Zarir Erani (6/6), Steve Countryman (4/6), Marty Kusar (6/6), Kelli Binder (6/6)

**Absent:**

Jeff Elder (3/6), Paul Twenge (1/6)

Guest : Matt Walker

**Approve Meeting Agenda/ Prior Month Minutes:**

Motion to approve meeting agenda, prior month's minutes by Zarir Erani.  
Second by Brian Schimke.

**1. Treasurer's Report**

Financials / P&L reviewed.

Scholarships: MBA Board thanks Brian Schimke for new Scholarship process, it has been implemented and running very smoothly for 2015.

Travel expenses have increased for 2015, will need to review registration fees for 2016 season. All Tier 1 surcharges to be collected by check for 2015.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Parker Gillespie, second by Robbie Burkhart.

**2. Registration Update**

All running smoothly; registration numbers reviewed. Tier 1 & Tier 2 Senior Babe Ruth registration to remain open.

**3. Communications**

MBA calendar has been moved on website, now has separate tab, all dates to be updated and posted on calendar.

**4. Clinic/Evaluation Update**

All clinics running smoothly, ready for evaluations to begin. Evaluations to be held in dome. Any registered player who has not paid will have registration fee collected before evaluation. Very positive feedback on MBA Academy.

**5. League Updates**

*Coaches* – All coaches recruited. Coaches meeting scheduled for Thursday.

*Team Selection* – League & Team formation beginning teams to be posted next week.

Prep – 5 teams / Classic – 4 teams.

Concession updates for Vet's field posted to website. Babe Ruth bat rules to be updated on website.

## **6. Background / Safety Update**

Little League approved insurance change. All background checks and concussions forms need to be submitted by coaches meeting.

## **7. Scheduling**

Scheduling in process, all running smoothly.

## **8. Team Parent Update**

Team Picture dates all set, ready to go. Concessions set and ready to go.

## **9. Sponsors**

Committee working on committing all sponsors. Sponsors will be matched with teams by end of the week. Looking into process to thank sponsors.

Gift card program will be reworked for season.

Motion by Kelli Binder to eliminate gift cards given out as coaches gifts, second by Dave Maurer.

## **10. Positive Coaching Alliance Meetings**

Great feedback from leadership conference. Next workshops to focus on coaching scheduled for March/April, 147 signed up to date.

## **11. Bigsy Award**

Currently in progress. Any nominations to be directed to Dave Maurer. Email reminder will go out to solicit nominations. Bigsy award presented at BFP opening day May 9<sup>th</sup>.

2015 "Skipper" award added, to be presented at MBA opening day, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **12. Field Maintenance**

*Field Clean Up* – Scheduled for April 11<sup>th</sup> after Spring breakfast.

## **13. BFP Update**

BFP opening day may 9<sup>th</sup>, looking for nominations for BFP awards. BFP requested compensation for concession no-shows to cover shifts. If shift not covered for 2015 season, MBA to pay \$50.00 per shift.

## **14. MDC Update**

*Spring Breakfast*- Scheduled for Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>. Large program scheduled, all players, coaches, team parents encouraged to attend.

## **New Business:**

*MBA Opening Day* – Scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup> at Vets Field. Varsity game at 2:00 PM, all MBA players will get in free. Activities scheduled to include: color guard/dunk tank/carnival activities/jumping house/ home run derby/movie/ used equipment drive/Kemmetmuller photo booth.

Email blast to go out, will be posted to calendar and website.

*Excelsior Commons* – Pushing for scoreboard. Kyle Heitkamp to meet regarding specifics. Most likely to be in place for 2016 season.

*Uniforms* – Coaches hats/jerseys reviewed. Players – blue hat / Coaches – black hat, blue jersey.

**Field Sponsors** – 4 fields have potential for naming rights. MBA working with BFP to put program into place.

Motion to adjourn by Dave Maurer, second by Robbie Burkhart. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 PM.

*Meeting Minutes submitted by Monica Kosvic, Secretary*