

**Minnetonka Baseball Association Board Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, November 14, 2013**

**Opening:**

The meeting of the Minnetonka Baseball Association Board was called to order at 8:05 PM on November 14, 2013 by Kyle Heitkamp, President.

**In Attendance:**

Kyle Heitkamp (2/2), Robbie Burkhart (2/2), Kurtt Richman (2/2) , Monica Kosvic (2/2), Kirsten Muller (2/2) , Rob Hager (2/2), Parker Gillespie (1/2), Avery Scheib (2/2), Dave Maurer (2/2), Steve Countryman (2/2), Chad Johnson (1/2), Marty Kusar (2/2), Matt Carter (2/2)

**Absent:**

Cam Johnson (1/2), Zarir Erani (1/2), Greg Sanderson (1/2), Paul Twenge (1/2)

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

Motion to approve meeting agenda by Parker Gillespie, second by Robbie Burkhart.  
Motion to approve prior month's minutes by Chad Johnson, second by Kirsten Muller.

**1. Treasurers Report – K, Muller**

No Activity last month, working on merging all accounts. Preliminary 2014 budget presented including projected registrations, 2014 fees. 2014 budget to be presented at December meeting, goal for a zero based budget. Refund policy and registration breakdown to be visible and posted on website. K. Muller to work with P. Gillespie and M. Carter regarding 2014 registrations; will determine family discounts/late fees/ refund policy. Using STLL model for uniforms, LL will need all new uniforms. Insurance – S. Evenson to obtain insurance for travel teams; SBR insurance comes through separate SBR league; JBR to look at insurance through Babe Ruth or Travel; LL insurance to remain as current.

**2. Leadership Roster Updates – K. Heitkamp**

Board members to submit list of positions to be filled if needed. Roster additions reviewed. Email to be sent out to recruit for remaining open positions.

**3. Board Position Vote – K. Heitkamp**

Motion made via email to nominate Jeff Elder for Scheduling Director Grades 7-12 by Kyle Heitkamp, second by Robbie Burkhart. Motion passed by majority vote.

**4. Amended By-Laws Vote – K. Heitkamp**

Amended MBA by-laws to be revised, vote tabled until December meeting.

**5. 2014 League Structure –**

**Ages 5-12 - R. Burkhart**

Little League has approved the new boundaries, approved merger with 3 charters. Member of District LL will attend draft. Committee has met, working on finalizing structure. 2 Leagues to be named Blue, White, Black. One point to be addressed – allowing 10 year olds to play up. Town Hall Meeting scheduled for January 7<sup>th</sup> to give overview of new structure; 2014 registration to open January 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Ages 13-15 – P. Gillespie**

JBR – Junior Babe Ruth meeting in St. Cloud on November 17<sup>th</sup>. To be attended by P. Gillespie and K. Heitkamp. Will need to determine post season play. Request to be made for open enrollment boundaries.

Travel – All teams have been formed.

SBR – Motion to approve following SBR coaches by P. Gillespie:

Mudhens – Greg Smith

Bulldogs - Chris Gabler

Second by Chad Johnson, approved by majority vote.

SBR will schedule clinics instead of dome time for players.

Leagues have dome time scheduled, travel teams can buy back unused dome time.

Batting will cages available in dome M/T/W/Th 6-9pm, dates to be determined.

**6. Website – K. Heitkamp**

New website integration completed. Suggestion made to add a history/legacy page to website. Board recognizes and thanks Zarir Erani for all the work completing and updating the website.

**7. Communications –**

Tabled until December meeting:

Season Calendar/Key Dates for website

Bennett Family Park mailer

Town Hall Meeting – January 7th

Email blast to recruit for open roster positions.

**8. Field Improvements – K. Heitkamp**

BFP will cover ½ costs involved for any field improvements. Batting cages at BFP need updating. Troy Mason to handle field maintenance BFP fields; Tim Jenzer to handle field maintenance for STLL fields.

**9. Sponsorships – S. Countryman**

2014 golf tournament scheduled for June 23, to be held at Deer Run Golf Club, registration fee to be \$125.00 per golfer. Estimates – 144 golfers / 200 total attending event. S. Countryman working with S. Warner on JBR sponsorships. Will work with M. Kusar regarding team pictures for sponsors.

**10. Diamond Club Update – K. Heitkamp**

Bingofest was a huge success, best event to date. Event raised over 20K.

**11. BFP Update – K. Heitkamp**

Maintenance issues with fields will need to be addressed for 2014 season. BFP approved improvements for 2014; new steps and sidewalk near field 3, ventilation or air conditioner to be installed in concession stand, improvements to be made to pavilion.

Motion to adjourn by R. Burkhart, second by S. Countryman. Meeting adjourned at 10:11 PM.

*Meeting Minutes submitted by Monica Kosvic, Secretary*