

Minnetonka Baseball Association Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Thursday September 15, 2016

Opening:

The meeting of the Minnetonka Baseball Association Board was called to order at 8:06 PM on September 15, 2016 by Kyle Heitkamp President.

In Attendance:

Kyle Heitkamp, Dave Maurer, Robbie Burkhart, Rob Hager, Marty Kusar, Janet Loomis, Avery Scheib, Tammy Sessa, Deb Hanson, Kirsten Muller, Kelli Binder, Chad Johnson.

Absent:

Paul Twenge, Brian Schimke Matt Walker, Jeff Elder.

Approve Meeting Agenda/ Prior Month Minutes:

Dave motioned to approve the prior month's agenda and the prior month's minutes and the motion was seconded by Kelli. The motion was approved by all without further discussion or questions.

Treasurer's Report – K. Muller

- Tax return for 2015 is due Oct. 15. It will be on next month's agenda to approve.
- Tryout fees for travel are a little low; however, kids can walk up and pay to try out.
- Fall ball numbers are down due to academy team added.
- Concession Stand service cost – over budget because kids had to be hired for the no show volunteers.
- Profit and Loss – Travel has a loss and fees are stayed the same.
- Capital Improvements - above the budget we approved.
- Bleachers for Cathcart came in but not assembled.
- Sponsors – 2 sponsor fees outstanding.
- Rob motioned to approve the financials and Dave seconded the motion. The motion to approve the financials was approved by all without further discussion or questions.

Board Election – Tammy Sessa

- Deb nominates Heather Bensen to take over the concession stand board position.
- Avery motioned to approve the existing slate of board members minus Deb and adding Heather. The motion was seconded by Marty and all members approved without further discussion or questions.

Fall Ball Update – Matt Walker

- Gopher state games are all on Sunday's and are double headers.
- Having conflicts fielding teams because all players are playing at the same time.
- Solution: Offer slots to kids not enrolled in Fall Ball but that have played in spring, Mba 2016 season, since all of these kids are still insured.

Travel Tryouts – Rob Hager/Marty Kusar

- Struggling to find 15AAA paid coaches.
- 16's and 17's are in place.

- If any team is collection team funds – these funds should be collected through the team manager.
- Challenge of getting kids to tryout for pitchers, when pitching is not their top two positions choices. We will let these kids have the opportunity to pitch and NOT let this pitching tryout hurt their evaluations. Kids will be notified the first session to prepare for this opportunity so they can get ready for it.
- Bulldogs – approved to have them play in the MBA Jr. Legion tournament at Bennett.

2017 Structure Committee – Dave Maurer

- Working on getting some questions answered and meeting again next month.

Positive Coaching Alliance – Robbie Burkhart

- Has been done for 2 years.
- They offer 2 sessions.
- The content is good.
- Trusted Coach - \$25/coach.
- Kelli will get more information and will present to board at next month's meeting.

Survey Updates – Brian Schimke

- Starting to distribute information to necessary people.

Tucker Masui Scholarship Update – Kyle Heitkamp

- Discussion tabled.

Dave Bigham Field Update – Kyle Heitkamp

- Working through all details with City and Contractors.
- Soil testing came back and now we know the type of footings that have to be installed.
- Looking for a date for the check presentation.
- Collecting donations from individuals for the monument.
- MBA will donation \$1000 toward the monument.
- Robbie motioned for the MBA to contribute \$1000 to the DBF and Dave seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all without further discussion or questions.

Other

- Lake Susan Fields – the city is asking for \$1000 - \$2000 toward field improvements.
- MBA will donate \$2000.
- Avery motioned to approve the donation of \$2000 toward field improvements for Lake Susan fields and Dave seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all without further discussion or questions.

Motion to adjourn by Marty and seconded by Janet.

Meeting adjourned at 10:09 PM.

Meeting Minutes submitted by Tammy Sessa, Secretary