



West Bridgewater Youth Athletics Association, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

February 4, 2015 @ 8:00PM

WBYAA Clubhouse

Meeting Summary

Motion	Result
Meeting minutes	Approved (all in favor)
Treasurer's Report	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of \$4,000 for yearly start up costs at Snack Shack	Approved (all in favor)
Approval for incidental charges related to the Snack Shack	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of a budget up to \$2,000 for Field Day	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of a budget up to \$2,025 for WBYAA Jackets (57 children are eligible)	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of Registration Fees for T-Ball	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of Registration Fees for Baseball	Approved (19 in favor, 1 opposed)
Approval of Registration Fees for Softball	Approved (18 in favor, 2 opposed)
Approval for 2015 Softball Tournament	Approved (all in favor)

Meeting Minutes

- a) Meeting was called to order at 8:05 PM. 20 members were in attendance.
- b) Minutes were distributed for the prior meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously.
- c) Report of the Treasurer
Peter reviewed the financial reports. The reports were approved unanimously.
- d) **New Business**
Potential dates for "Dining for a Cause" at Chili's were discussed. The board agreed on holding it on 3/8/15 - WBYAA will receive 10% of the proceeds (non-alcohol). Jamie will be contacting Chili's to schedule it.

The board agreed to look into using Hometown Photo as a vendor for T-Ball/Baseball/Softball photos, noting the reasonable prices for the various packages.

Jamie opened discussion on introducing a summer sports program, where clinics would be held for the various WBYAA sports. The age range for participation would be U8-U14, and the registration costs would likely be very low in order to encourage participation. There will be further discussions as to the time frame in which it would be held.

Jeff Ryan submitted a check to the Treasurer from South Shore Soccer Club for \$2,286.

Report of the standing committees:

- a. **Finance:** Financial reports were issued and approved. Peter gave an update on efforts to collect overdue balances.
- b. **Scholarship Committee:** Wally sent an email to West Bridgewater High School regarding the scholarship application on 01/29/15. The deadline is 04/19/15.
- c. **Fundraising:** The yearly fundraising letters will be sent in March. Also, as part of the sponsorship deal the WBYAA has with Dick's Sporting Goods, there will be a "Dick's Day" sometime in March, where representatives from the WBYAA will have a table at Dick's Sporting Goods in Brockton.
- d. **Snack Shack:** Glenn requested \$4,000 in start up costs related to the Snack Shack, which was approved. He also requested approval for incidental charges, which was also approved. A new cooler still needs to be purchased before the end of March, which costs about \$2,500.
- e. **Awards:** Of the 75 kids that were notified of their eligibility for jackets, 18 did not respond. Approval was granted for up to \$2,025 to purchase 57 jackets.
- f. **Field Day:** The committee proposed to hold Field Day on 05/02/15 at 10:30AM, with a budget not to exceed \$2,000. The motion was approved. There was some discussion as to whether or not other sports should be invited to march in the parade. Jamie has reached out to see if the WB Middle School band would be interested in performing the National Anthem.
- g. **Rules Committee:** Two proposed rules were voted on - the first dealt with being in compliance with our insurance contract (being SafeKids compliant). The rule was approved unanimously, and coaches will be required to complete the form starting with the Spring sports. The second rule was to eliminate the current rule stating that there are no playoffs. This rule was also approved unanimously. There were two baseball rule proposals read at the meeting; the first discussed modifying the wording for **Rule 5.13** (Seven Run Rule), and the second proposal was regarding **Rule 5.2** (Base Stealing), specifically for the Minors division. After conversations on both proposals, it was agreed that the

Baseball Committee would hold another meeting to come up with final proposals for both rules prior to February's Board of Directors meeting.

- h. **Safety Committee:** Greg Sheedy provided a list of coaches that have completed the Concussion Training. He has ordered new batteries for the AED monitors at Rose L. MacDonald School & Howard School. He noted that the AED's that we currently own are being discontinued, so we will need to purchase new ones at some point.
- i. **Dome Soccer** - Registrations for a new session of Dome will be opened in February. This session will be recreational teams for players not participating in Spring Soccer (there will likely be 4-5 teams).
- j. **Boys Basketball:** There have been requests to allow older kids to participate in the Seniors division. In addition, it was noted that the referees this year have been subpar (i.e. not calling enough fouls).
- k. **Spring Soccer:** Rosters will be available the first week of February, and coaches will be notified of their teams.
- l. **Baseball:** Rich proposed to keep the costs the same as last year (\$55 for Instructional, \$70 for Minors, & \$85 for Majors, with an additional \$20 for each division for fundraising calendars). Due to the increase in Umpire fees, the motion was changed to keep Instructional at \$55, and increase Minors and Majors by \$5, to \$75 and \$90, respectively, along with the additional \$20 for calendars. The motion was approved by a vote of 19 in favor, and 1 opposed. Rich also noted that there is a new Umpire-In-Chief this year.
- m. **Softball:** Wally also proposed to keep the costs the same as last year (\$50 for Minors, & \$85 for Majors, with an additional \$20 built in for fundraising calendars for both divisions). To keep in line with the increases for Baseball, both Majors & Minors will be increasing by \$5, to \$55 & \$90, respectively, along with the additional \$20 for calendars. The motion approved by a vote of 18 in favor, with 2 abstentions. Wally is hoping to get registrations opened by 2/12/15. Further discussions will be held regarding a pitching clinic for this year.
- n. **Softball Tournament:** Wally proposed to hold this year's tournament from 06/12/15-06/14/15, with the same costs as last year (\$375 per team). All approved.
- o. **T-Ball:** Jon proposed to keep the registration fees the same as last year (\$50, plus \$20 for calendars). All were in favor. He is hoping to start the season on 04/25/15.

p. Adjournment

The Next Meeting is March 4th, 2015 at 8:00 PM at the Samoset Gun & Rod Club. The meeting adjourned at 10:05PM.

Attendance:

✓	Dave Adams	✓	Brian Lawler	✓	Scott Robichaud
	Phil Arsenaault	✓	Rich Labaron		Bill Roy
	Jim Bailey		Eric Ledin	✓	Jeff Ryan
✓	Mike Bellody	✓	Scott Maher		Christin Santiago-Calling
✓	Andrew Bisbee	✓	Paul McCafferty	✓	Greg Sheedy
a	Chris Clarke	✓	Paul McGrath		Dan Smith
	Jay Duffy	✓	James Mitcheson	✓	Greg Stipkovich
✓	Jon Enos	a	Kevin Morash	✓	Glenn Turner
✓	Peter Fredericksen	a	Walter Morse	✓	Brent Warren
✓	Tom Fuller	✓	Kerri Reynolds	✓	Dennis Wright

✓ = in attendance a = apologies blank = not in attendance