



West Bridgewater Youth Athletics Association, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

August 26, 2015 @ 8:00PM

WBYAA Clubhouse

Meeting Summary

Motion	Result
Meeting minutes	Approved (all in favor)
Treasurer's Report	Approved (all in favor)
Addition of Steve Frates as a new Board member	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of \$160 to purchase a popcorn machine	Approved (1 opposed)
Approval of \$1,375 to pay a bill related to Baseball Tournament uniforms & hats.	Approved (all in favor)
Approval to add three girls to the U10G Travel Soccer team, & to notify all parents that each child would be guaranteed at least 6 games this season.	Approved (9 in favor, 3 opposed, 2 abstentions)
Approval to keep Dome registration costs at \$110 per session	Approved (all in favor)
Approval to keep Boys Basketball registration costs at \$50 for Minors, & \$85 for Majors & Seniors	Approved (all in favor)
Approval to keep Girls Basketball registration costs at \$50 for Minors, & \$85 for Majors & Seniors	Approved (all in favor)

Meeting Minutes

- a) Meeting was called to order at 8:02 PM. 21 members were in attendance.
- b) Minutes were distributed (via email) for the prior meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously.
- c) Report of the Treasurer

Peter reviewed the financial reports. The reports were approved unanimously.

New Business

Jamie communicated to the Board that Jeff Ryan submitted his resignation. Jamie accepted it, and thanked him for his years of service to the WBYAA.

Steve Frates stated his intentions to join the Board. He was approved by a unanimous vote.

The group discussed some issues we've had with Uniform orders. Jamie discussed some of these issues with Bill Roy. Bill stated to the Board that in general, we should give him the final order 7-10 business days before the uniforms are needed in order to get them in a reasonable timeframe. It is understood that in many cases, the registration period gets extended, leaving little leeway for Bill to get things done on time.

Greg discussed the creation of a WBAAA Facebook page, and that it has gone well so far. There are some concerns about posting pictures on the site without parental consent, so the plan is to include a checkbox for it during the registration process.

Jamie noted the success of Movie Night, and that we've received a lot of good feedback on it. Approximately 250 people attended it, and that the Snack Shack grossed \$350. The goal is to make this a yearly event.

There was another discussion about heating in the Clubhouse. Scott Florio said that Brockton Furnace & Duct will be donating the equipment for free, and that Keith Eskander will do the installation of the system (also for free).

Finally, given that the Annual Election is coming up in October, Jamie asked who would like to be on the Nomination Committee. Mike Bellody, Brian Lawler, Paul McGrath, & Andrew Bisbee volunteered, as well as the four Officers.

Report of the standing committees:

- a. **Finance Committee:** Peter suggested that we purchase a popcorn machine, rather than renting it every time we hold an event. The cost would be \$160.00. A motion to approve was made, and the motion passed with one opposed. There was also a motion to pay a bill for hats & uniforms related to the Baseball Tournament in the amount of \$1,375. All approved. Finally, Peter discussed financial modeling for the various sports, and having the Finance Committee create the model, and send it to the commissioners of each sport. The group agreed that it was a good idea, and we will move forward with it.
- b. **Scholarship Committee:** No Report.
- c. **Fundraising:** Jamie noted that Grand Slam Pizza & Pub would like to be a sponsor for one of the winter basketball teams. Paul mentioned that CSU has soccer grants available up to \$1,500. He applied for the full amount and thus far has received \$500 to use towards future clinics & evaluations, with the potential to receive additional funds.
- d. **Snack Shack:** Glenn is going to work on a date for the end of season cleanup.

- e. **Awards:** No report.
- f. **Website:** No report.
- g. **Letter Writing:** No Report.
- h. **Field Day:** No Report.
- i. **Complex Improvement:** Mike said that he'll have a price for revamping Sullivan Field (materials only) this week. Brian Lawler also has some pricing for equipment from Chris Dun (approximately \$5,000 depending on the number of man hours). As a point of reference, the cost for materials for North & South fields were \$23,500. There was some discussion about applying for a CPA in town. With regards to the lower Howard soccer field, Jamie talked to Chris Iannitelli, who is getting a quote for irrigation. Dr. Oakley agreed to pay half, and Chris believes that the work can be done during the season without any interruptions to the schedule.
- j. **Rules Committee:** The Rules Committee will be meeting in September to discuss some wording changes proposed by the Soccer Committee.
- k. **Safety Committee:** Greg Sheedy said that despite what was said in a previous meeting, we do not need to purchase new AED's at the elementary school. However, the Lifepack 500 (in the Clubhouse) will need to be replaced.
- l. **Fall Soccer:** Jamie let Paul know about the outstanding CORI's (3 of them). Paul noted that the numbers were up at every age level, and that the merger with East Bridgewater has gone well thus far. U6 starts the season on 08/29/15, and U8, U10, & U12 will start on 09/12/15. Paul said that East Bridgewater accepted the 4 U14 kids that signed up (2 of which still need to pay the registration fee). All of the games against East Bridgewater will take place at their facility, which should result in less wear & tear for our fields. Only one baseball field will need to be lined this year. Typically, the games in East Bridgewater will be between 11AM & 2PM. They invited us to participate in their Opening Day parade.

Sponsors will be on all of the WB teams for Fall Soccer, but there will not be sponsors on the Travel teams. We may use Hometown photo for the U6 division, as we still owe plaques to some sponsors. There was also a brief discussion about kids who wish to be referees this season. Jamie mentioned that we still need to get the permit to play on the Howard Fields this fall from the school secretary. Brian mentioned that he'd try to swing by to get it tomorrow (08/27/15).

There was a discussion about clinics: in mid-September, the plan is to run some clinics for U6, U8, & u10 in order to do evaluations for Spring, as well as trying

to get a free coaching clinic. Per Paul, the total costs for the Clinics (after factoring in the grant we received) will be around \$400-\$450. Paul will get the final number.

For Travel Soccer, there are 4 teams: a U10 Boys team, a U10 Girls team, a U12 Boys team, and a U12 Girls team. All of the teams are full. There was an issue with the U10 Girls team due to the fact that during the registration process for Fall Soccer some of the parents clicked on the checkbox that stated that they are interested in Travel Soccer. However, 3 of them did not physically register their child for Travel Soccer, and this was not uncovered until after the team was filled. There was a lengthy discussion on how this should be resolved, and the final motion was to add the 3 girls to the team, and notify the parents of the entire team that due to the roster size (15 kids), each child would be guaranteed to play 6 of the 8 games on the season so that everyone gets equal playing time. The motion was approved with a vote of 9 in favor, 3 opposed, and 2 abstentions. Jamie & Paul both agreed that going forward, the checkbox should be removed.

- m. **Dome Soccer:** Paul would like to get the registrations opened as soon as possible. He proposed to keep the price per session the same as last year (\$110/session). The motion was approved unanimously.
- n. **Boys Basketball:** Mike said that the Summer Travel session went well. He is hoping to get registrations open for in-town Basketball in September, and proposed to keep the same rates as last year (\$50 for Minors, \$85 for Majors & Seniors). The motion was approved unanimously.
- o. **Girls Basketball:** As was the case with Boys Basketball, Bill also proposed the same rates as last year (\$50 for Minors, \$85 for Majors & Seniors). The motion was approved unanimously.
- p. **Spring Soccer:** No report.
- q. **Baseball:** Fall Baseball in the Whitman league is starting this weekend (08/30/15). West Bridgewater has a 12U team and some individuals playing in 10U (we didn't have enough kids sign up to field a full team).
- r. **Baseball Tournament:** The 11U team finished as runner-up in their first tournament, and played well in the second tournament. There was a discussion about the Baseball Committee wrap-up meeting (what worked, what didn't, etc.). Rich offered to send the minutes from the meeting to the board.
- s. **Softball:** No Report.
- t. **Softball Tournament:** No Report.
- u. **T-Ball:** No Report.

v. Adjournment

The Next Meeting is September 23, 2015 at 8:00 PM at the WBYAA Clubhouse.
The meeting adjourned at 10:22 PM.

Attendance:

✓	Dave Adams	✓	Tom Fuller		Scott Robichaud
	Phil Arsenault	✓	Brian Lawler	✓	Bill Roy
	Jim Bailey	✓	Rich Lebaron	✓	Christin Santiago-Calling
✓	Mike Bellody	✓	Eric Ledin	✓	Greg Sheedy
✓	Andrew Bisbee	✓	Scott Maher		Dan Smith
	Chris Clarke	✓	Paul McCafferty	✓	Greg Stipkovich
a	Jon Craven	✓	Paul McGrath	a	Glenn Turner
✓	Jon Enos	✓	Jamie Mitcheson	✓	Brent Warren
a	Scott Florio	✓	Kevin Morash	a	Dennis Wright
✓	Steve Frates	a	Walter Morse		
✓	Peter Fredericksen	✓	Kerrie Reynolds		

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