



**West Bridgewater Youth Athletics Association, Inc.**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**December 16, 2015 @ 7:00PM**

**WBYAA Clubhouse**

**Meeting Summary**

<b>Motion</b>	<b>Result</b>
Meeting minutes	Approved (all in favor)
Treasurer's Report	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of \$598.02 to pay 4 invoices	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of \$13,300 to pay invoice for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Session Dome teams	Approved (all in favor)
Approval of up to \$2,500 to pay half of the referee fees for Boys Basketball	Approved (all in favor)
Approval to waive the no-playoffs rule for Boys Majors and Boys Seniors Basketball	Approved (all in favor)

**Meeting Minutes**

- a) Meeting was called to order at 8:03 PM. 16 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. Following his report, there was a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. **The report was approved unanimously.**

**New Business**

Jamie reviewed the Fall Soccer survey results with the Board. There were a total of 56 respondents, and overall, the survey was very positive. There were a number of coaches mentioned by name for doing a great job, and the merger with East Bridgewater was well received.

Jamie also reviewed preliminary results from the survey sent last week regarding priorities for 2016. This survey will be discussed in more detail at January's Board meeting.

## Report of the standing committees:

- a. **Finance Committee:** Peter requested approval for four outstanding bills. The first was for Promo Tees in the amount of \$112.00. The second was National Grid in the amount of \$101.27. The third was for J.F. McNamara in the amount of \$48.00, and the final bill was for equipment purchased at Dick's by Jamie in the amount of \$336.75. **The motion was approved unanimously.**
- b. **Scholarship Committee:** No Report.
- c. **Fundraising:** Jamie noted that the Dining For A Cause event at Grand Slam was an overwhelming success. Overall, \$700 was donated to the WBYAA, which was by far the most successful Dining For A Cause thus far. Glenn was able to secure a Gold Sponsorship from Dick's Sporting Goods for 2016. As was the case last year, there will be a "Dick's Day" on 3/19/16 from 10AM-2PM. Peter mentioned that he has 15 plaques from Fall Soccer that he needs to deliver to sponsors.
- d. **Snack Shack:** No Report.
- e. **Awards:** No Report.
- f. **Website:** No Report.
- g. **Letter Writing:** No Report.
- h. **Field Day:** No Report.
- i. **Complex Improvement:** The work to resurface Sullivan Field is complete. Dave mentioned that it came out even better than he expected (and under budget). There was a discussion among the group related to carts for each of the pitching mounds to reduce wear and tear. Regarding the tractors, Paul is going to research whether we are better off getting them serviced, or buying a new one. The sheet rock is up in the heating room, and the goal is to get the heating system installed this weekend. Finally, the work to install an irrigation system at Lower Howard Field is complete.
- j. **Rules Committee:** No Report.
- k. **Safety Committee:** Greg reiterated that there will be a Concussion course in late February/early March. He's hoping to nail down a date after Christmas.
- l. **Fall Soccer:** No Report.
- m. **Dome Soccer:** Paul mentioned that the 1<sup>st</sup> Session is complete, and that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Session starts this weekend. The forms have already been submitted to The Dome, and he requested approval for the team fees in the amount of \$13,300 (14 teams @ \$950). **The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.** He also

mentioned that while we were able to secure last year's practice rates for this season (\$50/hour), next season they will increase to \$70/hour.

- n. **Boys Basketball:** Mike requested approval of up to \$2,500 to cover half of the referee costs (they require half up front, and the other half at the end of the season. **The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.** Overall there are 4 teams for Minors, 8 teams for Majors, and either 6 or 8 teams for Seniors. The clinics were completed tonight for all divisions. Practices will likely start after Christmas Vacation, with games starting in early January. He requested a list of those registered for Travel Basketball that has not yet paid (Jamie or Greg to provide). He also requested a list of Coaches/Assistant Coaches that need to be CORI'd and/or need to complete Concussion Training. Jamie will provide the list to him as well as other Commissioners to ensure that everyone is up to date. There was a discussion regarding Seniors having to play at the Howard Gym, and that it is a safety issue due to the size of the kids. Jamie is going to reach out to the High School again regarding usage of their gym. Lastly, Mike requested a waiver of the no-playoffs rule for the Majors and Seniors divisions. **The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.** The Rules Committee may meet to discuss amending this rule.
- o. **Girls Basketball:** Greg briefly recapped the Girls Basketball Committee meeting held on 12/10. There will be a clinic for Girls Minors on 12/17, and a clinic for both divisions on 12/19. The Minors draft will be on 12/20, and the hope is to have Minors games/practices on Thursdays and Fridays this season (Majors are TBD).
- p. **Spring Soccer:** Kevin mentioned that rosters are due in February.
- q. **Baseball:** Mike mentioned that Glenn Tufts has offered to do a swap next year in terms of usage of their facilities in exchange for usage of our baseball fields. We need to get more details before potentially pursuing this offer. The group agreed that regardless, we should try to carve out some gym time during the winter for pitchers and catchers so that they are better prepared for the 2016 season.
- r. **Baseball Tournament:** No Report.
- s. **Softball:** No Report.
- t. **Softball Tournament:** No Report.
- u. **T-Ball:** No Report.
- v. **Adjournment**

The Next Meeting is on January 27, 2016 at 8:00 PM at the WBYAA Clubhouse.  
The meeting adjourned at 9:13 PM.

**Attendance:**

✓	David Adams	✓	Jason Gothage		Tom Murphy
	Phil Arsenaault		Lindsey Harrington		Mark Navin
✓	Mike Bellody		Brian Lawler		Kerri Reynolds
	Andrew Bisbee		Rich Lebaron		Bill Roy
	Chris Clarke		Eric Ledin	a	Christin Santiago Calling
✓	Jon Craven	✓	Scott Maher	✓	Greg Sheedy
✓	Jon Enos	✓	Paul McCafferty	✓	Greg Stipkovich
	Scott Florio	✓	Paul McGrath	✓	Dan Smith
	Steve Frates	✓	Jamie Mitcheson	✓	Glenn Turner
✓	Peter Fredericksen	✓	Kevin Morash	✓	Dennis Wright
	Tom Fuller		Wally Morse		

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