

## **Biddeford Little League Softball Board Meeting**

Date: January 12th, 2025

Location: Brown Dog Carriers & Logistics in Biddeford, ME

Start Time: 6:01pm

**Attendees:** Kristen Perreault, Randy Forcier, Christine Morin, Ashley Ishihara, Sean O'Keefe, Matt Rossignol, Tim Guillerault, Mike Lafortune, Kim Cochrane-Coleman, Mike Ramunno

**Not Attended:** Karen Ramunno

Randy Called to Order

Matt Motions to approve December's meeting minutes. Christine 2nds. All in

favor. **Bylaws and Constitution**

Randy asks if everyone is good with the bylaws. Christine and Kristen talk about how baseball is having a meeting on their bylaws and constitution this week. Can not approve the constitution since it is under Baseball and they haven't approved it yet. We will approve bylaws and Constitution at February's Meeting.

### **Background Checks**

Backgrounds will be done the way Paul Perreault email states. Board Members, Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Team Moms, Umpires, Concession Stand workers that are ALWAYS\* in the canteen, and Coaches that help during practices will get a background check.

\*\* Volunteers that

go in the canteen 1-2 times will not need a background check. Scoreboard/Announcers volunteers will not need a background check.

### **Treasurer Report**

\$23,046.91 in account. Almost completely switched over to People's Choice. Waiting on one more bill to go through the MCB account.

Randy and Kim went to People Choice and were added to the account.

Christine went over google doc spreadsheet for budgets. We will approve all budgets at the next meeting.

Mike L. asked if we should have a budget for field day. He will come up with one.

Ashley asked to spend \$1200 of her budget now for catchers equipment. It has been going out of stock quite often on epic.com so she wants to be sure she can get it in time.

Tim makes a motion to give Ashley \$1200 for catcher's gear. Matt 2nds. All in favor.

### **Pitching machine update.**

Tim did more research on the machine that was approved and would like to order a different one. Does the same thing as the original one but is lighter and can pitch at lower speeds. Would need \$200 more than what we originally approved for.

Christine motions to give Tim \$2200 for the pitching machine and dimple balls. Sean 2nds, all in favor.

BLLS online store. Will be open in March time frame. Want to wait until after the

### **evals. Canteen Update.**

Kim talks about possibly having a wifi hotspot in the canteen for the square reader. For a year it would be \$700. This does include the wifi going in hibernation mode in the off season. She will have it in her budget.

Talked about having a game shut down if there is no volunteer in the canteen. Christine talked about baseball telling parents the game will be canceled if no one goes in there. Also, if there are multiple coaches for the home team, one of the coaches will go in the canteen. It never has come down to that, Usually a parent will always step up before the game. Randy asked to see if baseball has it in their bylaws.

### **New canteen update.**

Jessica Jolin (architect) from Mobile Design in Biddeford is drawing up blueprints for the new structure. We are now not going to have the High School build since they take longer to build. Once Kim gets the plans back she will then submit it to the codes office to get them approved. As soon as that is done we can start the project.

### **Sponsorships**

Discussed prices for banner and team sponsors.

Current: Banner- \$200

Team Sponsor- \$500

Both- \$600

Matt motions to change Prices to \$300 a banner, \$700 for team sponsor and \$900 for both. Mike R. 2nds. All in favor.

**Tim-** Winter Clinics, On Sundays starting the beginning of March at Tiger Gym. Also starting pitching clinics in February on Tuesday and Thursdays from 5:30-7 at BMS. Might do one of the nights as a hitting clinic. Tim will finalize the times and reach out via email to the board.

### **Crash the Gym**

Feb 3- 7th from 8:40-12:30 at BPS. Baseball is also trying to get into BIS and JFK as well. Paul did hear from Steph Colman at St. James and it looks like that might be a go. Will need volunteers to help out at the schools.

Kristen makes a motion for Softball to pay \$400 of the \$900 for the squishy baseballs that are handed out during Crash the Gym. Kim 2nds, All in favor.

### **Team Parent vs Team Mom**

Kim brought up the website and how it only says team mom to sign up for. Suggest we change it to team parent. Christine messaged Paul during the meeting and unfortunately the site does not allow team mom to be changed.

**Evals are set on Sunday 3-30-25 at Tiger Gym from 2-7pm. Division slots to be decided on.**

**Next Meeting 8:00 pm Sunday 2-2-25 via Microsoft Teams**

Meeting Ended 7:03pm