

Brandon Jr. Blackhawks

Board Meeting 15th Street Tavern- 11/20/25



Meeting Agenda:

1. Call to Order – Nathan Gentile

2. Roll Call – Angela Dovey

3. Attendance of participants: Nate Gentile, Angela Dovey, Josh Dailey, Nicole Taux, Clayton Hampton, Kristin Ballard, Casey Villanueva

4. President's update – Nathan Gentile

a. Inter-organization Conflict

Board Members are expected to communicate respectfully, prioritize youth development, and resolve conflicts professionally and away from public view.

b. Board Meeting Schedule

- i. Next meeting scheduled for January 15th @ 15th Street

c. Open Positions –

i. Treasurer-

- 1. Justin Zoldos- reached out to him about the position.

ii. Volunteer Coordinator (Dibs)- combine dibs and concessions (shared responsibility between 2 individuals). Concessions would become the “hub” for all dib check ins.

iii. Booster Director- Create 2 positions: 1 for Merchandise and 1 for boosters/sponsors

Motion to create 2 positions for the booster director- Nate

2nd - Clayton

Unanimous decision to divide the booster director into 2 positions.

iv. Photographers (2)- Will need 1 for Blue Team and 1 for White Team. The Swanson's can take pictures for one of the teams. Will need to find one more photographer.

v. Social Media/Communications- will discuss position during next meeting

vi. Documentation Coordinator- Everything is now done online, this position has become obsolete.

Motion to remove position - Nate

2nd - Clayton

Unanimous decision to remove the Documentation Coordinator position.

vii. GM Cheer Assistant-will discuss position during next meeting.

d. General

i. Banquet- Great turnout, ran smoothly, lots of compliments on how it was set up this year.

Next year will need to look into a speaker system.

ii. U of M Games- Deciding for next year if we have our teams play against each other which would allow us to all play on the same day instead of breaking it up into 2 days.

iii. Website Update- Needs picture updates - Brad will help with the pictures.

iv. 2026 Season Registration-Opening February 22nd - March 8th. Social media posts, flyers at Harvey and Oakwood. Idea to put up signs at the schools about the program.

v. Bylaws update- Positions need to be removed/combined and updated to date.

vi. League meeting- Nothing scheduled yet. Last year's meeting was January 26th.

5. Treasurer's Report – Nathan Gentile

a. Current Financial Status- Account totals

- i. Genisys Checking- approx. \$25,000
- ii. Genisys Savings- approx. \$34,000
- iii. Venmo-
- iv. Total- roughly \$60,000
- v. Registration balances –

b. 2026 Budget Planning:

- i. Field Contracts- Most likely sometime in December. Need to get in touch with Rachel & Jan. 3 year contract - not expecting prices to change much.
- ii. Dib Repayments- roughly \$10,000
- iii. Division Budgets/equipment plans- Need to set a budget for next year items and how much it should cost.
- iv. 2026 Program Pricing-would like to stay competitive with other local programs. Idea of raising equipment/volunteer fee. Will vote in January about this decision.

6. Fundraising –

a. Sponsorship

- I. Current sponsors- Randy Wise, Paramount, 15thst, Cook's, Hamilton's propane, Lazer-lines, Meijer, Stonehouse Dental, Hill Building and Properties
- II. Potential new sponsors- Idea of different sponsor packages - Platinum, Gold, Silver.
- III. Will need sponsors for the Golf Outing - Casey Villanueva offered to coordinate the golf outing if needed.

c. Spirit wear

- I. Spirit wear plan for 2026. - will discuss at the next meeting.

7. Equipment / uniforms / jerseys – Nathan Gentile-

- a. Equipment Collection-** Monday November 24th 6-8pm. Will need to be re-posted on the band app. Also, a message needs to go out to coaches for team bag/equipment collection.

- c. Helmets- Reconditioning –** Will need a list of helmets that need to be re-conditioned. During equipment turn in, the ones that need to be re-conditioned need to be placed aside. December 10th helmets will be picked up for re-conditioning.

a. 2026 planning

- i. Uniform designs – Blue Jerseys this year
- ii. Parent jerseys- Need to get prices.
- iii. Board Member Shirts/sweatshirts - will be offered in the upcoming season.
- iv. Practice/ Program equipment- things we are looking at purchasing/ideas for equipment: shoulder pad racks, equipment pad cart, t-shirt press, nacho station, walkie talkies, camera system, score board, watering station, candy rack, chip clips, agility ladder, mat rollers (3 or 4).

- d. Cheer Mat/ Equipment Storage-** Need to ask about storing cheer mats at Harvey Swanson - possibly in the basement. Need to switch out cheer mats - ours are at the high school.

8. Divisions

a. Tackle Football – Bri Gabbard –

- i. Coaches Evaluation/2026 Selection- will vote on new coaches when there is a better idea of how many teams there will be.
- ii. Camps/ Conditioning - plan to offer a few camps/conditioning/agility camps

b. Flag Football – Bri Gabbard-

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- ii. Camps/ Conditioning- plan to offer a few camps/conditioning/agility camps

9. Concessions – Casey Villanueva

- a. **Championship Games-** raised prices slightly for championship games.
- b. **2025 Assessment-** brought in roughly \$35-40,000 from concessions before factoring in supplies/other costs.
- c. **2026 Planning-** Brats/peppers/onions, Burgers

10. Open Discussion Topics

a. Open floor-

- I. Lunch Informational tables- coaches at Harvey & Oakwood during lunch speak to students about the program/gather interest.
- II. Open House/ Enrollment Night - Nate emailed Jesse about open house enrollment - looking at a time in February.
- III. BJB Camp out - looking at 2nd or 3rd week of July. Will book the 20 site loop with the pavilion. Clayton will look into dates to book.
- IV. Sizing Night - Plan is to offer 2 nights, spaced apart and enough advanced notice given.

11. Motion to Close meeting – Nate

- a. **Second- Clayton**
- b. **All in Favor- Unanimous**

Meeting closed at 7:40pm

