

## WYSI BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION FORM

Name: Josh Bisher



**Describe your past experience with WYSI and/or other youth sports organizations including coaching, volunteering, leadership positions, etc:** I am a current parent of a U14 Lacrosse player and have been a volunteer coach for baseball in Muncie IN. I am employed at the Witham YMCA in Lebanon and am around youth and youth activities on a daily basis. I am also the current Fundraising Chair for Scout Troop 107 out of Christ United Methodist Church in Westfield. I have been with Troop 107 as a parent volunteer for the past 3 years.

**Describe your relevant experience and skills that could contribute to the WYSI Board's effectiveness:** Through full-time employment I help run the Witham YMCA. I am responsible for a fundraising annual campaign of \$140,000. I help secure volunteers for events and help run and manage events at our location. I have been around sports my entire life, played sports, coached sports and am an avid supporter to ensure everyone has an opportunity to play and find their passion.

**Describe areas of interest or priorities you would support for the Board if elected:** Working on fundraising – if we want youth to have the opportunity to participate, we need to ensure there is funds to support it. Another priority is to ensure that youth have fun participating while learning transferrable skills. Ensure that people are in the know about events, programs and just general communication with timely emails, updated and user friendly website for registrations, etc. Finally building on established community partners and expanding the cause through growth as the community continues to grow.

**Beyond anything stated above, why would you like to serve as a WYSI Board member?** I have been a resident of Westfield since the summer of 2016 and our family has been involved in WYSI in either baseball or lacrosse since then. As a parent I see the value this organization has on the community and this is an opportunity for me to give back in a different way. I can also use my past experiences (15 years) and educational background to help lead WYSI into the next decade.

**If elected, would you have the time and commitment to attend all monthly WYSI Board meetings and contribute as needed to improve WYSI?** Yes

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Name: Brad Canada



**Describe your past experience with WYSI and/or other youth sports organizations including coaching, volunteering, leadership positions, etc:** I played sports my entire life (grew up in Fishers). We have young kids (8,6,4) and just moved to Westfield 3 years ago. In those 3 years, I have been the active commissioner as well as head coach for my daughter's soccer league 2 years in a row (U7 and U8G) as well as serving as commissioner and head coach for my son's first year playing baseball in Instructional League. I also was head coach in soccer for my middle son playing U6Coed but didn't have the time (or energy!) to commit to double commissioner and double head coach. I am passionate about teaching, passionate about coaching, and passionate about sports/keeping kids active. I have seen the lasting impact on what sports and personal/athletic development kids can get from sports (and good Coaches) and want to provide that for my own kids and the Westfield community.

**Describe your relevant experience and skills that could contribute to the WYSI Board's effectiveness:** I played high school soccer, football, basketball, and baseball so I have a genuine interest and knowledge in all things sports. I had the opportunity to play college baseball at Bradley University and was drafted by the NY Yankees in the MLB Draft. I have experience and general knowledge of decisions that need to be made with overall athletics. I am also currently a Sr Director of Sales for Stryker (medical sales) so the overall skills that I use for my own personal job easily translate to any type of leadership role regardless of the function or task (high integrity, thoughtful decisions, analytical, strategic, direct, not afraid to make decisions, responsive, accountable, responsible). I honestly don't know what being on the board is all about but have held or been in various leadership roles managing Teams in a crazy fast paced and competitive environment for the last 11 years and competed in sports at a high level my entire life. I will always make the best decisions for the programs and community above all else since athletics literally could drastically change the projection of a kid's life by teaching them life lessons through sports.

**Describe areas of interest or priorities you would support for the Board if elected:** I travel a ton for work so I personally not looking for a role that has a crazy amount of responsibility. I also don't want to go out and fundraise either. My time is limited at home and time with wife/kids is the most valuable thing to me right now.

**Beyond anything stated above, why would you like to serve as a WYSI Board member?** I summed this up above already but I want to invest in the community I raise my kids in. I have personally

seen what sports and athletics can teach you and those life lessons that you carry forever based on the wins/failure as well as the work ethic, patience, goal setting, and most important – competitiveness that you build that people often overlook as one of the most important factors. Candidly, it's hard for me to sit back and watch other people coach my kids and prefer to be actively involved in ALL aspects of my life. I have young children so I am personally vested in this community and ensuring that we are building the best programs we can for the long term.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Joe Duepner \_\_\_\_\_



**Describe your past experience with WYSI and/or other youth sports organizations including**

**coaching, volunteering, leadership positions, etc:** I grew up in Westfield and sports were and are still my life. I played many sports at WYSI before attending Westfield High School where I played varsity Baseball, Basketball and Soccer. Now a days , I have two children: Dylan who has played many years of WSYI soccer and Ty who plays soccer and baseball. I have had the opportunity to coach them and plan to do so in the future. \_\_\_\_\_

**Describe your relevant experience and skills that could contribute to the WYSI Board's**

**effectiveness:** I have a vast knowledge of many sports from a player, coach, fan, and parents view. I have seen WYSI grow through the years. I am also a license attorney in the State of IN and own my own law firm here in Hamilton County. I have owned businesses including my current firm in which I have handled all budgeting and marketing aspects. I have helped organize numerous corporations, LLC's, with preparing bylaws and operating agreements. I have represented various boards of directors. I have a legal and working knowledge of how boards operate. I have served as president of my past HOA and currently on the transition board from my new neighborhood in Westfield. I believe I bring a professional mentality with the ability to work well with others which is extremely important.

**Describe areas of interest or priorities you would support for the Board if elected:** I think Sports Director would be my first area of interest which gives me the ability to be directly connected to the sports themselves. I do not have any interest in fundraising.

**Beyond anything stated above, why would you like to serve as a WYSI Board member?** \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be involved in what I love...sports. My playing days are nearly over and I have no desire to make a career in sports but I want to be involved to make WYSI a great place for children to play as it was for me and my children. Being on the board would provide me a way to stay connected to the community and to sports in a limited role.

**If elected, would you have the time and commitment to attend all monthly WYSI Board meetings and contribute as needed to improve WYSI?** \_\_\_\_\_

The total time commitment is unknown to me but as long as meetings are not conducted during business hours I don't see a problem. My schedule is flexible either way.

## WYSI BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION FORM

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**Describe your past experience with WYSI and/or other youth sports organizations including coaching, volunteering, leadership positions, etc:**

I have been a league director for WYSI baseball for the past three seasons. I have been a coach for WYSI baseball in multiple leagues for the past five seasons. I have also been a league director for WYSI Football for the past two seasons, as well as a coach for the past four. Before volunteering with WYSI, I coached various sports for Hamilton County Special Olympics for 14 years and served as the county's overall sports director from 2013 – 2016.

**Describe your relevant experience and skills that could contribute to the WYSI Board's effectiveness:**

I am currently the sales and marketing director for a small business in Westfield. I have an MBA with a concentration in marketing. In my current position I am responsible for our overall marketing strategy, budgeting, and forecasting. I have many years of fundraising experience with larger organizations such as Make-A-Wish, Peyton Manning Children's Hospital, Indiana Special Olympics, and Saint Maria Goretti. I also have years of experience training volunteers, organizing and supervising tournaments, and working with parents, athletes, and other stakeholders to provide them with the best experience possible.

**Describe areas of interest or priorities you would support for the Board if elected:**

My top priority is to ensure every program is properly funded and garnering the community support necessary to grow the organization overall. I'm interested in starting a coaching clinic as well. I think that every coach, regardless of the sport, needs to be properly trained. I believe that training sessions would encourage people who would be great coaches to step up and volunteer. These sessions could include lessons on managing practices, communicating with athletes and parents, and the importance of sportsmanship and leading by example.

**Beyond anything stated above, why would you like to serve as a WYSI Board member?**

Above all else, I want to serve on the board to best serve the children in our community. The kids in this community are amazing and deserve nothing less than a sports program where their safety, fun, and personal growth are the most important things. I fully buy into the theory that the success of a coach and program isn't centered around how many wins you have, but by how many kids come back to play next season.

**If elected, would you have the time and commitment to attend all monthly WYSI Board meetings and contribute as needed to improve WYSI?**

Absolutely!

## WYSI BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION FORM

**Name:** Aaron Sherrick



**Describe your past experience with WYSI and/or other youth sports organizations including coaching, volunteering, leadership positions, etc:**

I am currently finishing up my 2<sup>nd</sup> term (4 years) on the WYSI board. During this time I have taken on the roles as Communications Director, Vice President, and 2 years as Fundraising Director. Before being on the board, I've coached and been league level commissioners in baseball.

**Describe your relevant experience and skills that could contribute to the WYSI Board's effectiveness:**

I have experience in fundraising, business development, marketing, and technology. All of which are relevant to being a successful board member.

**Describe areas of interest or priorities you would support for the Board if elected:**

The current priority is growth and how we plan to take this on as a board.

**Beyond anything stated above, why would you like to serve as a WYSI Board member?**

Sports are important for every child in Westfield. Sports provide an opportunity for a healthier lifestyle, how to be a team mate and how to be a leader. It is our goal as board members to make sure that every child has a great experience and helping our commissioners and coaches accomplish this goal.

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Yes



## WYSI BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION FORM

Name: Kate Healey Snedeker



**Describe your experience with WYSI and/or other youth sports organizations including coaching, volunteering, leadership positions, etc:** As a family, we have been involved with WYSI for more than 8 years. Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade daughter participated in WYSI softball, basketball and volleyball. WYSI sparked her love of softball and volleyball; she continues to play both sports for Westfield Middle School and on travel teams in Central Indiana. Our 7<sup>th</sup> grade son has participated in WYSI baseball since kindergarten (currently on the 12U Gold travel team) and basketball. I have been a team mom, and my husband Alan has coached and assistant coached both WYSI baseball and softball. Outside of WYSI, I have done communications work for the Indiana Youth Institute, although they are not a current client of my business, Kate Snedeker Communications.

**Describe your relevant experience and skills that could contribute to the WYSI Board's effectiveness:** I have worked in PR/communications for the last 20 years. My skills run the gamut from internal communications, writing, executive coaching, organizing special events, budgeting and crisis communications/issues management. I am a doer. I like to contribute and make a difference.

**Describe areas of interest or priorities you would support for the Board if elected:** Communications, naturally, is an area of interest, but not my only area of interest. I am interested in helping raise money for WYSI scholarships and assist with collecting the gently used sports equipment to distribute. We need to ensure we continue to provide opportunities to all, regardless of ability to pay. I fully support and believe in the WYSI code of conduct, and feel we should all be held responsible. I have learned a lot in the last year about myself and Westfield – we need to be examples to our children, on the playing field and off.

**Beyond anything stated above, why would you like to serve as a WYSI Board member?** While I own my own consulting business, I also job share the role of strategic communications for Westfield Washington Schools. WYSI and WWS have a long and solid relationship. There are many decisions on the horizon, and I believe my role as both a WYSI board member and WWS Cabinet member can help further facilitate the relationship.

**If elected, would you have the time and commitment to attend all monthly WYSI Board meetings and contribute as needed to improve WYSI?** Yes. We are blessed to have so many wonderful WYSI-related memories, and I want to help other Westfield families build those kind of memories as well.