BIG LAKE FASTPITCH ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Exploration Lab- BLHS

March 2nd, 2025

6-8pm

**OPEN**

The BLFPA open board meeting was called to order at 6:00pm at BLHS-exploration lab on Sunday March 2nd, 2025 by Brian Dietz, board president.

**PRESENT**

Board Members: Brian Dietz, President Aaron Mevissen, Travel Coordinator

     Brittany Judge, VP Kristi Brown, In-House Coordinator

     Dan Nadeau, Treasurer Abbie Devriendt, Fundraising

     Kim Bowen, Varsity Coach Meghan Weerts, Secretary

Others Present:   N/A

**REPORTS:**

Meeting Minutes:

* Review Feb Meeting Minutes
	+ Motion: Brittany Judge, seconded: Aaron Mevissen, all present approved the minutes as they were written.

**TREASURER:**

* Please save receipts in google drive with the following naming convention:
	+ Example: 2025-02-07-$209.50 Becker Blast 8U Tournament Registration Fee
	+ Verified that all board members have access to the google drive folder to upload receipts.
* Bank Transactions are for what had cleared the bank as of 2/27/25
	+ Current Cash Balance $34.102.65
* Venmo Transfer initiated $834.95 3/2/25 (Merchandise and Jersey Upgrades)
* Dan and Nathan have been working with the IRS for $3,200 owed.
* Motion to approve Treasurer report: Kim, Second Aaron. All Present approved.

**TRAVEL COORDINATOR REPORT:**

* Registration numbers:
	+ 6U-9- Moving registration to waitlist basis, 3/11 opened registration
	+ 8U-12- Moving registration to waitlist basis, 3/11 opened registration
	+ 10U-32- 3 (Teams) Blue Playing as “A” Black/Gold playing as “B”
	+ 12U-24- 2 (Teams) Blue playing as “A” Gold playing as “B”
	+ 14U-11- Playing as “A” Level
* See attached Roster/Coach list
* Evaluations done and rosters made, Will get these and Skill Shark out ASAP.
* Aaron will be emailing the coaches for each team with the dates of possible tournaments to be able to coordinate with their teams
* Coaches Meeting- March 21st @TBD (Discuss Meg Rem @ this meeting)
* Spring Meeting Big West- 10U-14U- April 8th @Medina Entertainment center 6pm/10U-12U & 8pm/14U (Kim has away game in North Branch- Roy will attend for her)
* Key Dates Flyer- Aaron is working on updating on google drive and Meghan will share to the website.
* St. Ben’s Game- Aaron is waiting to find out from Chelsea Time and Date for all BLFPA youth players to go up for a game.

**IN-HOUSE COORDINATOR REPORT:**

* Big lake is hosting the 8U Multi-town League coaches meeting on April 2nd from 6-7:30pm
* 15 Coach Login Meg Rem- Kristi’s login will get returned and the $$ will go towards the multi coach login
	+ Motioned for purchase by Meghan, Second by Brian. All present approved change.
* Do we have access to fields for 8U play Wed Night 6:30-7:30pm (April 30-June 18th)
	+ Liberty Field 3 and Liberty Field 2 are used for in-house play only and available
* Do we have access to fields for 6U play- Thursday Night June- July
	+ Liberty Field 3 are used for in-house play only and available
	+ Aaron was able to contact Amy Jo @ Monticello to get contact name for scheduling.
* Gym Date for In-house clinic set (4/26, 5/10, 5/17) Kendra is working on contracts
	+ 4plex with back up of the High school gym
* Jamboree- “Big Lake Buzz off”
	+ Currently looking at 12 teams, 4 fields plus skills competition.
	+ Estimate for tournament came back @ $350 for fields, $550 awards/ Bag tags, $400 ump fees= $1300/12teams= $109/team.
		- Pricing compared to Becker $200, Champlin $275.
		- Kristi motioned tournament fee set at $230, Brittany Judge second. All present approved.
	+ Concessions- Softball normally buys extra concessions from Basketball and Volleyball- Brittany Judge and Meghan will look at what is needed and obtain from Sam’s Club.

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR REPORT:**

* Tentative Volunteer dates will come out ASAP
	+ Signup Genius- Brittany Judge will add to and run for now. Meghan will send the login to Brittany and Brian.

**FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR REPORT:**

* Family Fun night/ Silent Auction
	+ Vendors coming: Mason SnoCones, Nautical bowls, Concessions (Board Members will run)
	+ Silent Auction: Each team to supply a “basket” which will be marked as a silent auction (bidding style vs tickets)
		- Raised Funds will go towards Equipment/Batting Cages
		- Present at the coaches meeting for the coaches to collect $, decided and get the basket started.
* Moonlight Bowling
	+ McPetes- May 3rd 10p-12a- We assign lanes, $25 must be collected ahead of time ($22 stays with the association for strike pot payouts. $3/bowler gets paid to McPetes)
		- Google Form (Brian will send to Meghan) Flyer (Abbie will send to Meghan) We will need to assign lanes (max 5 bowlers per lane)
* Fill my softball
	+ This will be used as a fundraiser for teams, with board approval on what the funds will be used for. Bring to the coaches meeting to explain.

**EQUIPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT**

* Dan will get report back with the list.

**OLD BUSINESS**

* Community Ed Winter Meeting Recap:
	+ Brian got quote back:
		- New Cage at Varsity Field $11,425.
		- Practice Field Fence (1st/3rd Base line) 180 LN Feet and will off set from current fence for entrance.
			* 8ft: $10,325
			* 10ft: $11,125
			* Motioned for 8ft fence by Brian, second by Kristi. All present approved purchase.
	+ Community Ed can bring over Benches to the practice field for the summer, from the football field.
	+ Practice Field: Temp fencing in the outfield- Back Shed has fencing possibly will just need new sockets.
	+ New porta potty company
	+ Rules/Regulations document- Brian will send out to board and save to google drive.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Parents Meeting- March 19th @BLHS Lecture Hall 6-8pm.
* Sign up Genius- Do we need to purchase yearly or who will make sure to cancel after Summer/Fall Season- Per board members we will use and cancel as needed.
* Community Outreach:
	+ Spud Fest Parade- Candy/Cards/Flyers- Meghan will look into these.
	+ Rise and Sine March 22nd Event- Stress balls Amazon QTY 100 $32.99 X2
		- Motioned for purchase by Kim, seconded by Kristi. All present approved purchase. Meghan will purchase.
	+ BLCE Summer 2025 Kickoff Event- Softball stickers 1000pc $9.99
		- Motioned for purchase by Kim, seconded by Kristi. All present approved purchase. Meghan will purchase.
* BSN Store Open:
	+ Closing on March 13th
	+ [My Team Shop](https://bsnteamsports.com/shop/WQUbS2DC6c)
	+ Meghan will email Frankie to get order for winning Jersey contest up to $50 item
		- Motioned for approval by Brian, seconded by Brittany J. All present approved purchase.
		- Item purchased: BSN SPORTS Women's Cotton Rich Fleece Hoodie, SKU# BSN8002, **$39.95- size Small**
* PS I Love you store open:
	+ Standing store
	+ [Big Lake Youth Softball – PS I Love You Minnesota & The Frozen Spoon](https://psiloveminnesota.com/collections/big-lake-youth-softball)
* Equipment/Uniform store open:
	+ Closes March 20th
	+ Gloves, masks, helmets, belt, socks, pants
	+ [Big Lake Team Uniforms & Equipment | Game One - Stores](https://biglaketeamuniformsequipment25.itemorder.com/shop/home/)
* Scoreboards@ 4Plex- AIM
	+ Company AIM
	+ 5-8K at each field, Lauren- Football, Dan-baseball, Softball
	+ Each team covered one scoreboard- ask school to cover existing one.
	+ Can we look at a digital run (Maple Grove/Rogers/St. Michael)
* Summer Concessions- during the week games
	+ We are not equipped to allow this yet
* Food Licensing- Need to service Hot food that we are preparing
	+ Need to know exact dates- Aaron will get this:
		- June 20th/ June 21st
* 3-5 Year old T-ball (HIVE ball)
	+ We could pay Addie/Emmy to run this clinic
	+ Get QR code set up to link to google form to see if we have enough interest in this event
	+ <https://forms.gle/5k4N9SY9QgjckbXq5>
* Matt B Tournament director- 2 Tournaments (14U)
	+ Pay $500-600/weekend
	+ League gives $$ to run Tournament- Aaron will find out how much and bring back to the board next meeting.
* Team Pictures
	+ SportsLine Photography
	+ Brian will email- photos confirmed for Sunday June 9th at varsity field.
* Trailer
	+ Aaron will get the trailer from Matt’s house and look into getting it registered and then work with the school to donate it so that Varsity could have concessions.

**ADJOURN:**

The meeting was adjourned by Brian D at 8:00pm

**NEXT MEETING:**

Sunday April 6th, 6-8pm

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PS I love you store |

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