**BGSA Board Meeting - Notes**

April 5, 2023

Attendees: Frank, Andy, Matt, Brian, Steve, Claire, Colleen, Paul, Dave, Corey, Jill

1. **Financials**
   1. YTD Financials – Paul provided an update
   2. Infield machine and storage update

1. **2023 Spring In-Town**
   1. Season begins with games week of 4/24 and ends week of 6/5 (Question for NIKKI – Is the Concession stand going to be open during home games?)
   2. Andy will send out final schedule to board
      * 1. Grades 5&6 play on Monday & Wednesday
        2. Grades 1&2 and 3&4 play on Tuesday and Thursday
        3. Grade K does not play games
        4. Grade 7+ (playing with Franklin and other towns) – games are played Thursday & Saturdays
      1. Andy will be offering an umpiring class for high school students / there will be 12 home games (grades 3&4 group only)
      2. 3 coaches max per team / each coach needs to be safesport certified
      3. Still need final list of head coaches and assistant coaches / Steve emailed head coaches but hasn’t received responses yet.
   3. Playoffs are the week of 6/12.  Grades 1&2 do not do playoffs
   4. Uniforms have been ordered on Thursday 3/30 – Claire needs shirt sizes for head coach & assistant coaches (they estimate 4 weeks to complete)
   5. Scheduling fields for practice - create a coaches only email (to include non board members) and work with Andy to coordinate
   6. Director on Duty Schedule – will be sent once game schedule is available this can be scheduled.
   7. Coaches-
      1. need to submit names for assistants for approval by the Board
      2. need to have CORI done.  Need full name, DOB and last 6 of SS#.
   8. Pictures - confirmed for June 3rd with Heather Best (no make-up date scheduled at this time)
   9. Town needs to release the use of fields.  Should know by Thursday.  Yes, we realize just about all other fields have been released. We’ve expressed our frustration.
   10. We will plan an end of Spring ‘event’ - more to come / still need to plan

1. **Field Clean Up**
   1. Some work was completed last weekend; still need to complete infield work & clean up dugouts / Dave will work on over the next few weeks when he has time. He may schedule another field clean-up day in the next few weeks depending on the need.
   2. Dave will contact church group about volunteering to paint dugouts on field 1
   3. Need to hang up signs in outfield (Eric & Andy will do)
   4. Order Chalk & other items – Dave will be ordering Chalk

1. **2023 Summer Teams – registration needs to be closed by 4/22**
2. **League directors reach out to spring coaches to help promote registration for Summer**
   1. Update on registration #’s – we will need to vote on summer coaches before registration deadline of 4/22
      * 1. 8U – 7
        2. 10U – 10
        3. 12U – 4
        4. 14U – 5
        5. Steve is going to add questions to summer registration to 1. Are you interested in playing in tournaments? 2. Do you play on a club team?
   2. Set up with TVL: recommendation is to have 1 tournament team and a TVL team (Tournament Team Roster 10 and have 3 or 4 alternates)
   3. Dates for tryouts: 2 try out dates = 4/30 & 5/7

1. **2023 Bash Tournaments**
   1. Bash Dates (ALL HAVE BEEN APPROVED)
      1. 8U - June 16th - June 18th
         1. 7 registered, 2 paid (including Bellingham)
      2. 10U - July 21st - July 23rd
         1. 16 registered, 12 teams have fully paid (including Bellingham)
      3. 12U - June 23rd - June 25th
         1. 15 registered, 8 paid (including Bellingham)
      4. 14U - July 14th - July 16th
         1. 12 teams have fully paid (29 have registered in total)
   2. Board commitment
      * 1. How do we get more parental involvement to help in the tournaments / try to coordinate around games that parents have to be at anyway.
        2. Honor Society – reach out to HS to offer volunteer time at our tournaments
        3. Coaches need to communicate to parents who are doing parent buy-out and create a sign up sheet for parents volunteer – need to make sure we send out sign up sheets far enough in advance.
   3. Umpires
      * 1. 8u - 1 umpire for all games
        2. 10u - 2 umpires for semis and finals only
        3. 12u - 2 umpires for semis and finals only
        4. 14u - 2 umpires for all games, including pool play

1. **2023 Summer Tournaments (for Bash to play in)**
   1. **Corey will send email with final dates that teams are registered for**
   2. **Corey is looking into different apps to see what would be best (board members will email Corey the name of any apps they are aware of)**
   3. **Need to coordinate promoting local hotels / preferred rate & see if we can get sponsorship in return**

1. **Special Olympics Tournament –** all set for July 29th

1. **Fundraising/Sponsorship Update**

1. **Other items**

1. Pitching & Catching Clinic (Colleen & Jill) – Saturday afternoons (2-4), run by Jillian and Colleen and supported by national honor society students/players. Offer it to kids grades 1- 6 / separate kids for younger (grades 1 & 2 (2pm-3pm) and then grades 3-6(3pm-4pm). Steve will create a google form that coaches will be send out to sign-up for clinic. Clinic will be starting on 4/15
2. Golf cart maintenance Dave is getting tires (Est cost $500 for 4 tires) and will order new battery (Est cost $500)
3. Real flag pole with a light – Dave will look into pricing options / need BGSA logo flag – Claire will get a quote for BGSA flag from
4. BGSA store update – 22 orders received / 70 items / BGSA is earning $219 from the sales
5. Scholarship – posted / no applicants yet
6. Spring Grades 5 & 6 – created 2 teams (2 teams of 8) / open up 4th grade girls to be able to play-up if approved by parents & grades 5 & 6 coaches will communicate with parents. Only play in outfield and batting at end of order.
7. Equipment donation / drop off didn’t work well last year – no need to offer again this year**.**
8. Matt will be ordering balls & need 2 new sets of catcher equipment (smalls)
9. Create a Amazon Wishlist
10. Approved by board to spend up to $300 on chest freezer for ice cream
11. Nikki will look into a cube for accepting credit cards

**\*\*\* NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 3rd @ 7:00 \*\*\***