



BLYFA Board Meeting – May 7

Meeting called to order – 6:00PM

Attendance – Board Members: Maggie Hoeg, Liz Fagen, Jason Hoeg, Amy Kvilhaug, Ray Anderson, Jon Duchene, Heather Anderson, Brady Bagne, Noel Krebs

Non-Board Members: John Jackson, Jennie Krebs

Agenda Items :

Secretary Update – MOTION: Brady motions to approve the April minutes, Maggie Seconds. ALL IN FAVOR: All, OPPOSED, None, **MOTION PASSED**

- All actions were completed from April's minutes.

Treasurer Update – Balance: \$30,098.70

- Riddell Football Recertification bill received.
 - 27 balls sent in, 2 rejected

Coaches' Application Deadline Discussion –

- Maggie would like to see the deadline moved up to May 31st in order to give coaches more time to arrange their schedules for mandatory safety training.
- **MOTION:** Maggie motions to move the deadline for coaching applications to June 4 by 6PM. Kim Seconds. ALL IN FAVOR – All, OPPOSED – None. **MOTION PASSED**
- Next year, we need to add a check box on the coach's application that they understand they will be required to attend a mandatory safety and coach's training.
- **MOTION:** Maggie motions to start Safety and Coach's meeting at 1PM on June 25. Noel Seconds. ALL IN FAVOR – All, OPPOSED – None, **MOTION PASSED**

Travel Team Draft Discussion –

- Currently we are using a 1 card draw system.
- **MOTION:** Brady motions to change the draft set up to only put league "legal" red stripe players in the top bracket versus pulling up lower weighted players. Ray Seconds. ALL IN FAVOR – 10, OPPOSED – 1, **MOTION PASSED.**

Shoulder Pad Discussion –

- Brady and Josh reviewed all shoulder pads and sent email to board with full recap of needs.
- Contacted various suppliers for new shoulder pads – Brady thinks Schutt pads may be best. They have extra padding, cover chest more and are \$39.95 They can be purchased from Sports Unlimited and we should consider if we should buy more.
- **MOTION:** *Brady motions that we order \$2,000 of Schutt shoulder pads from Sports Unlimited. Liz Seconds. ALL IN FAVOR – All, OPPOSED – None. MOTION PASSED.*

Coach's Manual Discussion –

- Jon has put together the first draft of the coach's manual. All think it looks good.
- Maggie will add Safety Info to the manual
- Manual should be saved on Google Docs to be accessed in future years

Registration Update –

- About 10 coach's apps have been sent
- 29 players registered for 4th, 5th, and 6th
- Not many registered for flag or Intro

Dates to Remember –

- **FUNDamentals Mini Camp**
Big Lake High School – Practice Fields 1 & 2
May 21st, 2:00-5:00PM
Cost \$115 (Cost of \$333.75 if we need to move indoors to highschool gym)
- **Registration 1**
Independence Elementary Community Room
Sunday, June 4th, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. (space available to us from 1-7)
Cost of \$123.50
June Board meeting to follow immediately after registration. Coaches will be selected.
- **Registration 2**
Independence Elementary Community Room
Monday, June 5th, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. (space available to us from 4-9)
Cost of \$83.50
- **Registration 3**
Friendly Buffalo Banquet Room
Wednesday, June 21st, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. (space available to use from 4-9)
- **Coaches' Training/Draft**

Independence Elementary Community Room

Sunday, June 25th – time 1:00PM

Cost of \$123.50

- **Equipment Handout**

Friendly Buffalo – Time TBD

July 9th

Open Forum –

Maggie: - Meeting with Coach Keenan

- Playbook coming
- Maggie is helping HS Coaches get USA Certified
- Coach Keenan is coming June 25 to Coach's Meeting
- Remember July Camp – Patti Bottema has a flyer
- During regular season for home games – Coach Keenan would like to allow youth players to participate in huddle, pep talks, sitting on the bench, etc. (maybe this is for 6th graders only)
- HS will assign Varsity players to each team. We would provide the practice schedules for various teams and a few times which HS players can come and support
- **Brady:** We need to ask Keenan about having HS players for intro for referees. They get \$20

Heather:

- August 16 – Meet the Hornets Night
 - Travel teams will scrimmage
 - Dunk tank for coaches
 - We can set up a table and sell items if we want
- Picture Day will be Aug. 23 and make up day will be the Monday following
- Keenan has a Welcome Letter for out-going 6th graders

Jason:

MOTION: Jason motions to buy 3 Shadowman Tackle pads for \$2500. Brady seconds. ALL IN FAVOR – 9, OPPOSED – 2. **MOTION PASSED.**

Kim:

- STMA Football Camp – this is a great football camp and only 4 players from Big Lake signed up this year. It would be nice to see more kids attend this.
 - Need to promote this camp more next year
 - Needs to be discussed at the January meeting

- Vikings Stadium Games – We need a plan in case games come up.
 - We should make teams pay for their own games at Vikings Stadium. (Brady)
 - Cost is \$1200 per game and \$600 per scrimmage – Add this to June or July meeting agenda.

Tiffany:

- Working on a paint night and need \$100 deposit. All agree this is high and we don't get money back if not 12 people. – We should pass on this.
- We should do a Pizza Ranch night
- BWW fundraiser was not successful last year
- New jerseys are ordered.

Jon:

- Can Jeremy Ell reapply as an assistant coach this year? (Yes, he can).

Liz:

- would like us to discuss and consider hosting a year end banquet (similar to Wrestling). Liz offered to head up this planning. Will add to June or July meeting agenda.

Next Meeting: Sunday June 4th @ Independence Elementary immediately following registration

Meeting Adjourned – 8:01PM

ACTIONS TO BE MANAGED BEFORE MEETING –

1. Maggie - Write and send a Thank You card to Graco for \$1,000 donation.
2. Kim – Sign BLYFA for Spud Fest Parade
3. Maggie – Check with CE about our ability to have our own removable storage unit locked up on school grounds
4. Maggie – Bring Shoulder Pads to Registration
5. Maggie and Liz – Count how many footballs we have and provide info to Kim
6. Maggie and Liz – Bring Computers to Registration (if anyone else has them, please bring)
7. Tiffany – Have apparel company bring a few jerseys to registration
8. Brady - Bring scale to registration
9. Maggie - Ask CE if we can leave our registration stuff in the room overnight
10. Maggie – Ask Coach Keenan about HS players as referees for Intro Games
11. Maggie – Add Safety info to Coach's Manual
12. Brady and Kim – get Shoulder pads ordered

13. Jason and Kim – get Shadowman pads ordered

14. Maggie – Add following topics to July Meeting

- a. Year End Banquet
- b. Vikings Stadium Games policy
- c. Discuss how to choose players to “sit with the HS Team”
- d. Fundraising – which do we want to do for the year?
- e. Meet the Hornet night – how do we want to participate?
- f. Last minute prep for Spud Fest