

Big Lake Youth Football Board Minutes

August 4, 2013 at Friendly Buffalo

Submitted by Secretary, Carrie Hanrahan

The meeting came to order by President, Andy Gomez at 6:05 pm. Andy asked if there are any corrections to the July minutes. Correction on total players is 180 not 194. Motion by Brady and second by Jon all approved the July minutes.

Present at the meeting were-Andy Gomez-President, Adam Steen-VP, Patti Bottema-Treasurer, Carrie Hanrahan-Secretary, Rick Merten-5th grade coach, Jon Duchene-4th grade director, Brady Bagne-5th/6th grade director, Rob Stromberg-7th grade director, Kim Dailey, Dave Gess, Scott Riebel-5th grade coach, Janae Stern-Fundraising Coordinator, Sara Forrest-Volunteer Coordinator, Neil Milberger-Intro coach and director, Stevet Ramlochom.

Treasurer's report \$22,451.14 in account, \$1,606.61 in booster totaling \$24,057.75. Due to not having the Hornet Classic, Andy stressed to save money and refrain from spending money on things that are not needed right now. Items we do need to purchase are chin straps at \$11.99/strap, mouth guards, first aid kits and sticker decals for helmets pricing at \$1.85/sticker. Patti made the motion, Neil second the motion and approved for these items. Fifty stickers will be purchased through Chris Gannor. We also have a shortage of large pads and small helmets. Patti and Adam each have 2 small helmets. Andy put in request for 7th grader that registered and bought uniform for the association to reimburse the registration fees due to a terminal illness in the family and the player would not be able to practice or play. Patti motioned to reimburse \$155, second was from Adam. This was approved by the board to reimburse \$155.00. The board will table the decision on the uniform pending if another player joins. No update on the 501 3 c, it is in the process of being assigned for review. Tax ID number is the same, and we are not tax exempt. Our association can't be a write off.

Patti has a list of expenditures going on the higher end of things to make sure we are sitting at a comfortable spot going into 2014 and she estimates our association will be at \$4300.00.

We need ideas on fundraising. Janae will reach out to local organizations i.e. Lions Club to possibly receive a certain amount of money per year. We need to submit a letter and list items and cost of things we are in need of. Brady motioned for Janae to contact the Lions Club, second was by Brady and approved by the board. We discussed having the concessions opened during Intro Tuesday night games and Saturday games for other grades. We will need to think of a big fundraiser by 2014 registration.

Ideas for parent volunteering would be at 4 varsity concessions, ticket booth, carb night, set up/take down fields, work chains, etc. We need volunteers to build shelves in the storage locker. The mini bowl concessions and helping out that day.

With not having an 8th grade association team we will not have an 8th grade tournament team either. All registered players and parents have been notified and reimbursed their registration fees. Andy contacted Wilson regarding no Hornet Classic Tournament. A meeting with Brad from Community Ed to adjust fees since we won't be utilizing fields/school grounds for tournament. Carrie has contacted most of the vendors.

The Minnetonka Tournament is paid in full. The Iowa tournament has been tabled for the September meeting. Due to cost and our financial status we might have to seek other avenues for payment and inform all parents of the cost that is involved to play in this tournament with gas, hotel, food, etc.

Blaine Tournament-Patti made a motion for ALL of the Big Lake teams to participate in the Blaine Tournament with all teams playing in the league division. If we cannot get a guarantee from Don Patnode that ALL of our teams will be in the league opposed to the select division then we will not play in the tournament at all. Brady second the motion and it was approved by the board by majority vote that we will only go if we are guaranteed to play in the league division. To reassure that we could bring this information to our coaches, parent rep's, parents and players, Carrie asked Adam to text message Donny to confirm ALL of our teams would be in the League division. Adam text Donny and got confirmation of this request. All coaches/parent reps will be e-mailed with information pertaining to this tournament that it is no cost to our association. Parents are responsible for gate fees.

Other items need equipment deposit checks from Jon Duchene, Bruce Bordwell, Brady Bagne, Amy Robeck, and Rob Stromberg. Carrie will be the key holder for concessions and the mailbox. Adam will have the trailer for Intro night. We are missing 2 coach's bags.

Our next meeting will be on September 4th at 6pm at the Friendly Buffalo.