



Ephrata Baseball Association Board Meeting

November 5, 2017

6:02 pm

EBA Academy
300 Chestnut St
Ephrata, PA

Meeting called by: President – Paul Gockley **Type of meeting:** Regular Board Meeting

Attendees: Paul Gockley, Ken Boley, Brad Murphy, Mike Muhr, Ric Bromirski, Jeremy Jones, Karen Buckwalter, Adrian Shelley, Steve Savage, Tony Andrews, Len Embiscuso, Chris Dydo

Guest(s):

Minutes

Agenda item: Previous Meeting Minutes Approval

Presenter: Paul Gockley

Discussion:

By unanimous consent the September 24, 2017 EBA Board meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Conclusions:

Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

None required

Agenda item: Treasurer's Report

Presenter: Paul Gockley

Discussion:

- Financial statements were shared and reviewed. Checking account balance as of 11/3/17 was \$25,708.39

Conclusions:

- Statements for tax return have been prepared and submitted.
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Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

- Non-Required

Agenda item: LL President

Presenter: Jeremy Jones

Discussion:

- Little League charter renewal process has commenced
- Jeremy shared that 2018 will be his last year as our Little League President, and he would like to recruit his replacement as soon as possible so the new candidate can train, with Jeremy, in 2018

Conclusions:

- In-house 2018 bat standards will remain the same as 2017

Action items

- None required

Person responsible

Deadline

Agenda item: EPBA Director

Presenter: Len Embiscuso

Discussion:

- LCYBL will be grandfathering in the 2017 bat rules as well as implementing the 2018 USA bat requirements
- Len is receiving some interest from potential coaches which will be vetted for the coaching opportunities
- The fall ball program (~25 players) was successful with much of the feedback being positive
- Discussion on the possibility of creating a professional athletic training program, for students, at the facility with the intention of generating funds for EBA endeavors

Conclusions:

- Continued discussion on the feasibility and logistics of a fee based facility based athletic training program

Action items

- None required

Person responsible

Deadline

Agenda item: Public Relations Director

Presenter: Brad Murphy

Discussion:

- Board encouraged to begin recruiting candidates for open board positions (secretary – 1/2018, Little League President – 1/2019)

Conclusions:

- Spring ball registration will be live by 11/15/17
- Dec. 9 & 16, 2017 will be the eval dates
- Dates TBD for in person spring ball registration which will tie in with the used equipment sale and uniform fitting day

Action items

- Advertise on EBA website and social media the open positions

Person responsible

Brad

Deadline

11/15/17

Agenda item: Fields & Facilities

Presenter: Paul Gockley

Discussion:

- The Ephrata Township park batting cages will be stored in the park shed
- The Clay Township park batting cages will be stored at the park Clay park shed

Conclusions:

- Inquire if the Akron Lion's club would donate for the Akron park equipment/utility boxes (cost: \$945/box)

Action items

- Batting cages dismantled before winter weather
- Akron Lion's club contacted about utility box donation

Person responsible

Paul speak with Chad

Paul

Deadline

12/1/17

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Agenda item: Uniforms & Equipment

Presenter: Karen Buckwalter

Discussion:

- No new updates

Conclusions:

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Person responsible

Deadline

Action items

- None required

Agenda item: Sponsorships

Presenter: Paul G.

Discussion:

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Conclusions:

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Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

- None required

New Business & Other Information

- Coach Joy Rice requesting facility indoor time for the Ephrata Field Hockey team: Sundays 6:30pm-8pm November through February. Paul will give a key to coach Rice
- Resignations have been submitted for the Picture Day Coordinator and EBA Secretary
- Picture Day vendor discussion
 - Paul will speak with Missy about having a 2nd player/parent picture option to help generate additional funds for EBA
- Renew insurance policy --- Paul is conducting the review
- An "Alumni Baseball Fundraiser Dinner" concept was discussed as an additional event to help raise support EBA. Brandon Miller could be the guest speaker. Concept will be discussed in more detail at future board meetings.
- A motion was presented to the board about adding (\$25) into the registration fee to cover the cost of purchasing an EBA purple helmet for each player. If a player does not want to pay the \$25 helmet fee then the player can elect to use the "team's" purple helmets. The intention is to create a consistent and unified representation of EBA baseball teams. 8U and under will have helmets provided by EBA. Motion to be considered at the December meeting.

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm

Next Board meeting will December 10, 2017 at 6pm

Respectfully submitted by your secretary,

Chris Dydo