

BRIDGEWATER BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL JANUARY 14, 2020 – BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Members

Alifano, Tom	Confalone, Phil (P)	Pikulin, Mike	
Cannizzo, Tom	Fresco, Andy	Spirra, Anthony	
Colbert, Mike	Locrotondo, Joe (VP)	Young, Kevin	Zeiman, Robert

Guests

Alonso, Eddie (9U)	Plank, Joe	Zeiman, Jacuqie (12U)
Franklin, Rich (12U)	Rinehimer, David	
Lehberger, Art	Regenye, Ron	

Approval of Nov 2019 and Dec 2019 minutes

- Alifano made the motion to approve both meeting minutes, seconded by Pikulin

Treasurer Report (Alifano)

- \$263k cash on hand
- Turf loan balance is \$78k; added extra \$1k monthly payment which will allow us to pay off the loan by April 2021

Cooperstown 2020 (Jacquie Zeiman)

- Raised \$13k out of \$30k goal
- No Yankee tickets due to 12u having just one team; instead will sell CharityMania NCAA basketball tickets
- Will do additional shake-a-can in the spring
- Murder Mystery tickets can only be purchased online; maximum target of 180 people
- Each travel team should sponsor a basket (value around \$100); Once Jacquie decides on a theme, Mike Pikulin will send out an email to all travel managers
- Murder Mystery entrance tickets should be provided free-of-charge to the new mayor and council; Cannizzo to forward a past guest list to Confalone

Marketing (Paul Santiago-info presented by Alifano)

- Shake Shack sponsorship should be confirmed soon
- Looking for people to join the marketing team to reach out to local businesses
- Tom Cannizzo is working with Dick's and Modell's to renew their annual sponsorships
- The BReeze ad will run in February and March
- Tom Cannizzo will work with Andy Fresco to update couple of sponsorship banners with new URL

Registration (Leghberger)

- Will send out a league + school e-blasts
- Open house on Jan 16th at 7pm (board members should arrive by 6:30pm; please bring your laptops)

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- Memorial Day Tournament (Spirra & Pikulin)***
- Should also post on infosports (who will do this task???)
 - Pikulin – looking to pull in the entire Roxbury travel league
 - MDT director – in-source or out-source; Pikulin will ask Lenny
- Lower + Middle League meeting***
- BR Middle School cafeteria
 - 6:30 – 9:30 pm
- 2020 Rulebook updates (Young)***
- Updated versions will be published by Feb or Mar meeting
- Spring 2020 Rec – Teams from surrounding communities***
- Manville joined Hillsborough
 - Somerville 5th/6th rec might join us in the spring
 - Bound Brooke is actively considering its options
 - Ridge 13U – Colbert will contact 13u manager to see if they are interested
- Equipment (Spirra)***
- All game balls have been ordered
 - League asked Dicks to forgo softballs; instead asked for additional catcher’s gear
- Uniforms (rec – Alifano)***
- Majestic contracting finally ending by fall
 - On-field = Nike; off-field = Under Armour
 - There is a potential shortage due to vendor change so Alifano will discuss the possibility of ordering fall uniforms with BSN
 - Board will need to decide on going with MLB major league or MLB minor league teams
 - Alternate option – go with MLB minor league shirts in fall; Majors, Seniors + go with sponsor team jerseys?
- Babe Ruth (Mike Colbert)***
- Chartering now
- Softball (Fresco)***
- Winter training ongoing

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Facilities (Pikulin)

- Clean PR2 /PR3 + rebuild mound by opening day
 - Remove clay \$7,150
 - Mound \$5,265
 - Maintenance: \$ 474 per visit; 3 visits
 - Mound will feature a permanent rubber at 50'; 46' rubber cleats will be positioned wider to allow unobstructed foot landing
- Safety netting (between PR2/PR3) replacement
 - D-rings are ripped which may allow balls from one field to land on the other field;
 - Cannizzo – BSN needs to go back 5-7 years to find the dimension + cost; Alifano will contact our account rep
- NB lights/light post replacement
 - Township engineer (Battaglia) left; Thome Genova is the incoming replacement
 - Fresco to contact the mayor's office to see if the work can be rescheduled
- PR4/PR5 – second base pins are cracked which are set in concrete buckets
 - Need to contact Rachel to remove and replace all base pins, re-grade fields, remove lips.
 - Confalone will be the point person
- Gator/UTV needs to be repaired (who??)

Snack Shack (Cannizzo)

- Begin trial to accept credit cards via Harbor Touch Point of Sale system by opening day
- Cost will be \$50 per month
- Will review after few months to see if it is worth the trouble

New Business

- Somerset County Business Partnership and BBSI
 - Networking event on Thursday February 6, 2020 5-7pm
 - Two tables at Maggiono's
 - Looking for board member volunteers;
 - If interested contact Cannizzo