

Meeting Minutes

Interior Baseball League Meeting, July 10, 2022

OPENING

1. **Call to Order @2:59pm**
2. **Meeting Attendees:** Jane Bedford, James Beaulieu, Anthony Smith, Stephanie Smith, Becca Burcell, Shayna Ellingrud, Lance Wilson, Kathy Kerr, Chris Bressler, Aaron Oath, Fritz Vockert, Nick Hendrie, Casandra Champagne-Christian,
3. **Additional agenda items**
4. **Guests and “Thank You’s” —**
5. **Approve meeting minutes from last meeting** – Anthony Smith moved to approve meeting minutes, Becca Burcell second. No discussion, minutes approved.

COACHES CONTINUING EDUCATION

No Report. Discussed in person CCE – overall input needs more notice and not on practice/game days.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Becca Burcell provided Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet for June 2022, reviewed IBL’s current financial status.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

No report- Vacant Position

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Anthony Smith provided updates on umpires. Invoice for June umpires in process. More umpires free as Legion Baseball has cancelled remaining season in the interior – remaining games will be play down south. Discussion on IBL paying parent umpires rather than FBUA to expedite the process. Discussion on how we can get more umpires.

OFFICE MANAGER’S REPORT

Mesa Matheny— Calendar updates, requests, sponsors, photos, tournament awards, annual meeting

FIELDS REPORT

Position vacant – Anthony discussed fields, Borough’s responsibilities (everything grass – watering/mowing once a week) and IBL’s responsibilities (everything dirt). Discussion on how to fix batters boxes, pitching mounds and weeds in the infield. IBL will redo pitcher’s mounds after the season. Difficulty getting field mix dirt- no one is producing it. Coaches expressed frustration at field quality and the expectation of volunteers (players/coaches) to maintain fields.

UNIFORMS

No report.

EQUIPMENT

Cassandra reported baseballs not picked up.

COMMUNICATION REPORT—

No report.

North Stars—

Anthony Smith indicated NorthStars cancelled tournament, will not have any further tournaments this season. U10 NorthStars would be interested in playing Mustang IBL, U13 might be interested also in playing Pony IBL.

Division Coordinator Reports:

No updates.

President's Report:

Two player injuries this season. Board will continue to monitor and Jane Bedford will reach out as needed. Jane Bedford reviewed the by-laws and how changes can be made to existing policies. Policies cannot be changes mid-season – changes must be done annually. Current year policies cannot be changed until there is an annual review.

Air Quality Discussion – Jane Bedford reviewed how we could implement a new plan regarding air quality. Division coordinators have the option to offer an alternate plan and the board President has the option to approve the plan. Option offered for discussion was at 151ppm-200ppm practice is at the coaches & parent's discretion. Shayna Ellingrud (Pinto/Bronco Coordinator) proposed parents' discretion between 151-200 and if the coach is not comfortable then the coach reaches out to the coordinator and the coordinator finds an alternate for practice. Casandra Champagne-Christian (Shetland & Pony) and Mesa Matheny (Mustang) support this proposal. Jane Bedford agreed to proposal with the plan in place to review the Air Quality Policy during the annual general membership meeting.

Season Extension – discussion regarding extending season., where tournament will fall, how we can make up games. Anthony Smith made a motion to extend the season to Aug 12th. Shayna Ellingrud second. Discussion regarding coach availability, player availability, umpire availability and scheduled tournament. Motion failed. Shayna Ellingrud made a motion to extend the season for two weeks, not plan any make up games prior to the tournament, continue with the season tournament as scheduled then extend the regular season (games & practices) through Aug 12th, 2022. James Beaulieu seconded the motion. Board discussed struggles with missing players, planned vacations, refund requests. Motion passed unopposed.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

ADJOURNMENT: Fritz Vockert, James Beaulieu second. Meeting adjourned 5:26pm.