

Mosinee Youth Baseball Board

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Details

Date: November 17th, 2024

Call to Order: 6:04 pm

Location: Mosinee City Hall

Board Attendees

Brandon Schreiner (President)

Chris Savickis (Vice President)

Linda Sabatke (Treasurer)

Melissa Vachowiak (Secretary) (A)

Ryan Talbert

Jason Borski

Brian Zell

Brad Menning

Steve Cherek

Matt Stankowski

Jodi Maguire (A)

Tom McCarty (A)

Stacy Hogan (A)

Jim Henaman

Carl Walport

Jerrod Gould (A)

Dallas Weiler

Paul Haas

Kyle Sabatke

(P) – Phone in (A) - Absent

Guest Attendees

N/A

Action Items

1. Brandon Schreiner

- Venmo – Delete business account, convert “personal” to MYB, and update Bylaws on use.
- Send letter to Mosinee Middle School for Babe Ruth agreement in Motion #2.
- Bylaws – Add dissolution section, spouse section, and Venmo section.
- Finalize work on Director’s documents.

2. Chris Savickis

- Pull mower batteries and keep on charger over the winter.
- Review existing mowers and evaluate their future use.
- Discuss with Zach Newton on Field 2&3 lights.
- Install caution tape to the entrances of the fields.

3. Jerrod Gould

- Discuss with Charlie’s on going back to not having to purchase the raffle items up front.

4. Jim Henaman

- Finalize bar raffles and work with Jerrod Gould/Jodi Maguire on last year’s raffle items.

5. Brad Menning

- Acquire quotes from attire suppliers and make a recommendation on who to use as our supplier(s).
- Research glued-on vs embroidered hat costs.

6. Tom McCarty

- Work with Dallas Weiler, Paul Haas, Brandon Schreiner, Ryan Talbert, and Chris Savickis to determine how we want to structure the travel league player levels and see if any Bylaws need to be updated around playing for multiple teams and what costs should be charged to alternate level player.

7. Brian Zell

- Send out initial sponsor email, add note to AE Design’s email about reviewing suppliers, and add a question to see if any would be interested in sponsoring a travel league team.
- Update the top three variations and core values, send them out, and discuss in next meeting.

8. Steve Cherek

- Send out email to umpires for home travel tournament weekends.
- Draft Facebook post for Nextreck challenge completion and send to Brandon Schreiner for posting.
- Research pizza fundraiser option.

9. Dallas Weiler

- a. Review equipment in the Field 1 shed and investigate other equipment MYB could use.
- 10. Website Committee: Carl Walport, Ryan Talbert, and Chris Savickis**
 - a. Carl Walport and Brandon Schreiner to setup the new website and end services with SportsEngine by December 14th, 2024.
- 11. Rules Committee: Brandon Schreiner, Brad Menning, Kyle Sabatke, and Ryan Talbert**
 - a. Update the remainder of the city league rules and provide to board for final review. Start work on tournament rules, coach's document, and Code of Conduct updates.
- 12. Concession Stand Building Committee: Matt Stankowski, Ryan Talbert, Steve Cherek, and Paul Haas**
 - a. Determine a rearrangement plan and plan for construction for the 2025 season.
 - b. Discuss the 5-year plan for concessions and potential towers. Provide ideas in next meeting.
- 13. Concession Stand Point of Sale Committee: Steve Cherek, Melissa Vachowiak, Linda Sabatke, and Jarrod Gould**
 - a. Identify point of sale options and provide recommendations at next meeting.
- 14. DIBS Committee: Ryan Talbert, Jason Borski, Brandon Schreiner, and Jim Henaman**
 - a. Generate DIBS ideas and provide recommendation to the board at next meeting.
- 15. Travel League Sponsors Committee: Brad Menning, Brian Zell, Jim Henaman, and Ryan Talbert**
 - a. Review package ideas with Brad Menning and determine answers to –
 - 1. What are we going to do with the money?
 - 2. What sponsorship packages will support these efforts?
- 16. Family Fun Day Committee: Kyle Sabatke, Melissa Vachowiak, Linda Sabatke, and Steve Cherek**
 - a. Research FFD ideas for next season
- 17. Parade Committee: Linda Sabatke, Steve Cherek, Melissa Vachowiak, and Kyle Sabatke**
 - a. Kyle Sabatke to spend up to \$150 on a banner for the float and register for the parade.
 - b. Committee to finalize float details and be in the parade.

Important Dates

- January 5th, at 6:00 pm at Mosinee City Hall: Next MYB board meeting
- December 7th, 2024: Mosinee Holiday Parade
- July 18-20th, 2025: 9U, 11U, and 13U "Battle of the Bling" Travel Tournament
- July 25-27th, 2025: 10U, 12U "Battle of the Bling" Travel Tournament

Minutes

Financial Review

General Overview & Annual Budget

- Any big income or expenses?
 - \$15.5k checking
 - \$21.5k savings
 - Lawn mower is purchased and drawn from savings 11354
 - 2000 paid out for travel league tournaments so far
 - Insurance going up slightly
- Linda Sabatke – summary of city and travel registration fees
 - Travel
 - Do we reduce the rate for the alternate players?
 - City
 - Will not change for this year

MOTION 1: Raise registration cost for 9U and lower leagues to \$150 and 10U and higher leagues to be \$200.

Moved by: Chris Savickis

Seconded by: Linda Sabatke

Unanimously approved

Venmo Account

- How do we want to proceed?
 - Brandon Schreiner to delete the business account and update “personal” account to MYB.
 - Brandon Schreiner to update Bylaws to include what this account can/cannot be used for.
 - No paying outward
 - Not for registration, concessions, etc.

Raffle Items

Previous Year's Items

- Jim Henaman spoke on his update for the bar raffles he has been managing.
 - All bars have raffles out. No timeline to complete yet.
- Brandon Schreiner to follow up with Jodi Maguire and Jerrod Gould on their ideas and then post the remaining items.

2025 Season Items

- Will Charlie's consider going back to not having to purchase the items for the raffle?
 - Brandon Schreiner to follow up with Jerrod Gould on this.

City League Items

Babe Ruth

- Kyle Sabatke had a discussion with Trevor at the school:
 - Plans to have a purple and white team.
 - Plans to start with two coaches at \$1800 per coach.
 - (~\$5-8k) per year
 - Softball association is providing a donation of \$5k to cover the costs (with settlement at end-of-season)
- If we overpay or underpay, the difference will be settled at the end of the season.
- The school will be scheduling a meeting between the different organizations to see if there can be a united fund-raising event.

MOTION 2: MYB Board approves paying \$5000 to the Mosinee Middle School for taking over Babe Ruth age kids for the 2025 season. MYB agrees to settle the difference in costs with Mosinee Middle School after the 2025 season; not to exceed \$12,000. Brandon Schreiner to draft up a letter similar to the softball program and send it to Mosinee Middle School.

Moved by: Steve Cherek

Seconded by: Ryan Talbert

Unanimously approved

Lawn Mowing Equipment

- Chris Savickis purchased 2024 Toro mower quoted for \$11,355.
 - The mower should be ready this week (week of 11/17/24)
- Chris Savickis will pull the mower batteries and keep on charger over the winter
- Chris Savickis will sell old mower in the spring of 2025
- Chris Savickis to look at existing mowers and see if he can help with these as well

Field Maintenance

- Field treatment quotes, fences, lights
 - Will follow up with field treatment and fence quotes at the next meeting.
- Chris Savickis was in contact with Zach Newton and will meet up with him before next meeting.
- Chris Savickis made six (6) “no pets allowed” signs for MYB.
 - Will install these at spring cleanup.
- Chris Savickis made a “do not enter” sign for the one-way road.
- Chris Savickis to put up caution tape to the entrances to the fields.

Attire

- MYB needs to make sure AE Designs knows if we are going with another business for the attire
- Brian Zell to make sure this is noted in their email
- Brad Menning to acquire some quotes from other suppliers and make a recommendation on who to get our attire through.
- MYB will want to go with the sport-style t-shirt.
- Hats - glued on vs embroidered - Brad Menning to research this.

Equipment

- Dallas Weiler will look through the equipment in the shed after hunting season.
- Dallas Weiler will investigate other equipment MYB could use.

Travel League Items

Fall Registration Review

- Registration fee tracking
 - 4 remaining commitment payments of 44 parents
- 11U - Still does not officially have the last two players
 - We will work with the travel coaches to play up or down as needed through the season.
 - No playing full time for two teams.
- 8U - No updates.

2025 Home Tournaments

- Tom McCarty has started to send out the Home Tournament registration Google Form to get official signups.
 - Not using Venmo as a payment method, but can be added later.
- What are the pitching and baseball dimensions going to be?
 - 46/60 for 9U and 10U
 - 50/70 for 11U and 12U
 - 60/90 for 13U and 14U
- No rules around bats - "you bring it you swing it"
- Steve Cherek to send out email to umpires for these weekends

Travel League Outfit Packages Committee

- Committee: Brad Menning, Brian Zell, Jim Henaman, and Ryan Talbert
- Committee action: Review package ideas with Brad Menning and determine answers to –
 - What are we going to do with the money?
 - What sponsorship packages will support these efforts?
- Brad Menning suggested a team store for travel so players order on their own?
 - Would make having the teams match easier
 - With parents ordering out of the team store, would this affect the travel costs?
- No update on the sponsorship packages.
 - We could add a question to the current sponsor email to see if any are interested in sponsoring a travel league team.

Travel League Player Status

- Should we be changing how players playing for multiple clubs vs strictly for MYB be handled?
- Tom McCarty, Dallas Weiler, Paul Haas, Brandon Schreiner, Ryan Talbert, Chris Savickis to determine how we want to structure the travel league player levels and see if any Bylaws need to be updated around playing for multiple teams and what costs should be charged to alternate level player.

Old Business

New Logo

- Brandon Schreiner created first round voting and Robyn Schreiner updated finalists for second round voting.
 - Voting details can be found on the Google drive under the November 2024 minutes folder.
 - Second round of voting had Option 1B winning with a score of 21 followed by Option 4A with 12 and Option 2C with 11.

MOTION 3: Option 1B to be approved for MYB use. Robyn Schreiner to complete any finishing touches and send logo and release for MYB to use it.

Moved by: Steve Cherek

Seconded by: Brian Zell

Unanimously approved

- Parade banner would take about 1-week to make for the parade.

Website Committee

- Carl Walport sent out email with generalized comparison via email before meeting.
 - Carl Walport went through details for each in the meeting.
- We are not using SportsEngine for what it is intended to be used for. We need to make sure we use these features or we are wasting money.

MOTION 4: Crossbar to be the official website platform from MYB. Carl Walport to work with Brandon Schreiner to setup the new website and Brandon to end services with SportsEngine by December 14th.

Moved by: Brian Zell

Seconded by: Tim Henaman

Unanimously approved

Board Mission Statement

- Brian Zell to update the top three variations and core values out and can discuss them at the next meeting.

Concession Stand – Building Committee

- Matt Stankowski reviewed the concession wall.
 - This wall is not a load bearing wall.
 - Building would need to be rearranged and electrical didn't seem like a problem.
- Committee action: Come up with rearrangement plan and plan for construction for the 2025 season.
- Committee action: Discuss the 5-year plan for concessions and potential towers. Provide ideas in next meeting.
 - Grants and funding to follow once a plan is determined.

Concession Stand – Point of Sale Committee

- Committee action: Identify the point-of-sale options and provide recommendations at the next meeting.
- Square seems to be the better option from Clover
 - \$800 a full register and will need some sort of internet
 - Register holds the information and can move it to a spot with the internet.
 - Offers online payments as well.
- Need to make sure the DIBS is working and concessions is staffed to make this work

Parade Committee

- Kyle Sabatke contacted the chamber for a deadline on registration.
 - We have until 11/30/24.
- Kyle Sabatke drafted an email for float members and Brandon Schreiner sent via email/FB.
- 11 people can join the float, so we will proceed with doing this.
- 10-foot trailer.
- Kyle Sabatke to register us for the parade.
- Committee action: Register, finalize float details, purchase banner, and be in the parade.

DIBS Committee

- Committee action: Generate DIBS ideas and provide recommendation to the board at next meeting.
- Brandon Schreiner was going into details on the hours and review vs last year

Rules Committee

- Committee action: Update the remainder of the city league rules and provide to board for final review. Start work on tournament rules, coach's document, and Code of Conduct updates.
- Brandon Schreiner had completed first drafts of the Rookie and Minor league rules and coach's documents.

Family Fun Day Committee

- No updates.

Documentation

- Brandon Schreiner to add the dissolution section and spouse comments to the next Bylaws revision.
 - Add Venmo section.
- Brandon Schreiner to finalize work on Director's documents with Board assistance.

Nextreck Recycling Challenge - Bench

- Steve Cherek to write a FB post to tell community thank you for their donations.
- Steve Cherek has the bench at his house and needs to assemble it.

Will Wood Baseball Bats

- Brandon Schreiner to collect the bats and let coaches know at the start of next city league.

New Business

Fund Raising

- Are we doing candy bars next season?
 - We will keep candy bars for the 2025 season and will discuss the buyout amount next meeting.
- Steve Cherek will research the pizza option.
 - How does this affect Pit Stop sponsorship and sales in concession. Need to bring this up in January.

Next Meeting

- Next meeting to be Sunday, January 5th, 2024, at Mosinee City Hall starting at 6:00 p.m.
- New business for next meeting
 - Any relevant missed items from project list, action item list, and items not currently resourced.
 - Chris Savickis will sell old mower in the spring of 2025
 - Board to purchase new freezer in the spring of 2025
 - Ryan Talbert was researching some tourism grants.

Adjourn

Time: 8:18 pm

MOTION 5: Adjourn meeting

Moved by: Brian Zell

Seconded by: Steve Cherek

Unanimously approved

Items Not Currently Resourced

Board Organizational Items

- Board ID
- Website headshots
- Tournament app
 - <https://exposureevents.com>
- End of Year Survey

League Finances

- Buyout fee review

Season Potential Updates

- All Star Team Research / second season
- Research weather makeup games for season (low priority based on survey)
- Research additional practice opportunities within the season
 - Mini camps
 - HS baseball players to help
 - New HS coach
- Look into more events with the Wausau Woodchucks
- Exhibition game where kids who move up a league play with those staying in that league
- Schedule update with Jr on one field and Sr on other

Grounds Changes/Updates

- Board parking
- One way only signs for by concession roads
- Emergency vehicle parking by dumpsters
- Rules posted around the field
- Review fields and determine plan
 - Overseeding, top dressed, etc.
 - Play material
- Field tarps
- Scoreboard tower buildings
- Pitching machine
 - Remove/fix rubber guides
 - Rules/SOP for use
 - Ways to stop from “creeping”
- Changing of locks on buildings?
 - Needed or not?
- Updated benches/seating (covered?)
- Sound system updates
- Playground

Concession Stand

- New chest freezer for concession stands
- Vertical fridge fix/replace