



MINUTES: Board of Directors Meeting - Kroll's Wednesday February 18, 2009

1. **Call to Order:** The Meeting was called to order at 6:41PM by President: Russ Reynolds
2. **Roll Call:** Russ Reynolds (BL), John Kehl (GBE), Gregg Schultz (BL), Lynn Reynolds (BL), Joe Westberg (GBE), Tom Kehl (GBE), George Ostrander (DPW), Jim Deckert (ASH), Dianne Bellisle (HS), Dan Brunmeier (BL/GBK), Bill Bartelme (BL), Steve Daavetila (GBE).

This represents a quorum with 5 of 7 districts present.

Not Present: Representatives from Pulaski or Allouez

3. **Acceptance of Agenda:** Under new business Lynn requested to add the 2009 Budget and Joe W. requested to add Back Ground Checks. M/S/P.

4. **Secretary's Report:** M/S/P

5. **Treasurer's Report:** (Lynn Reynolds)

Bank Balance: \$661.57

No outstanding checks.

Working capital is required from each district. An invoice of \$200 was sent to each district by the BL Treasure and is due to be paid by 2/28/09 or before. This amount will be credited to each district's final 2009 invoice amount. A total of \$600 was received from Allouez, DePere and GBE. This amount is not reflected in the bank balance listed above.

6. **Area Representative to SAY-USA (Dan Brunmeier):** Please come to the AGM.

7. **Committee Reports:**

- Ethics Committee (Bryan Snyder): No Report
- Area Protest Committee (Dan Brunmeier): No Report
- District Committee (Bill Bartelme): Each District will need to get the name of their new district coordinator to Bill.
- Suspension Process Committee (Bill, Dan, Joe): No Report

8. **Coordinator Reports**

- Area Referee Coordinator (Dan Brunmeier): Dan would like a list of all the different district referee coordinators. I will add these to the Bay Lakes Board List for the districts that I know. Missing info from Pulaski and Howard Suamico.
- Area coaching coordinator (Name ?): Russ to write up a job description.
- Website coordinator (Name ?): Bill B to write up job description.
- Tony Litt Coordinator (Dianne Bellisle): Game Schedule, rules, etc.
- Scheduling Coordinator (Name ?): Bill to write up job description (Season games/ make-up games, etc.)
- Scoring Coordinator (Joe Westberg): Update standings and making sure game scores are in and accurate.
- Bryan S. took care of this last season and we are not sure if he will be able to assist this season. It is a database program that retrieves the ref scores and puts them into a different

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format. These scores then need to be updated on the web page. Dan B might know someone that can help with this task.

9. Old Business

- AGM - February 27-28, 2009 in Covington, KY. Bay Lakes has 4 votes which Russ will be casting on our behalf when he attends.
Issues and offices to be voted on consist of the following:
Region 2 representative – Our votes will be cast for Dan Brunmeier, MSP.
Member-at-large – our votes will be cast for Lou Tempsta, MSP
Rule Change #1 - All games must be played in 2 halves. Opposed rule change. MSP
Rule Change #2 – Allow sock type shin guards to be acceptable equipment. Much discussion concerning the safety of the children was brought up. The overall thought was that the sock type shin guards are OK for U10 and under but clearly not safe for SB or other older kids. It was also brought up that it is still up to the refs to determine safe equipment. Nora made a motion to accept the rule change and Joe 2nd the motion. Vote: 6 yea, 2 nay, 2 abstain. Rule approved.
- Dick Nackers was contacted by Alex Wake (Challenger Sports) about attending one of our meetings. He wants to promote summer camps and coaches clinics. The group did not have much interest in having him attend. He is also doing a camp this season up in Door County if anyone is interested. It was also discussed that our meetings are open to the district boards but any outside visitors would need to obtain the Bay Lakes President's approval before attending.
- Bay Lakes will again need to request variances for the 2009 playing season. Age groups for MG (12 to 14) and SG (15 to 18). SB and SG teams would be allowed to go over the 22 player cap if enough players are not available to create another team. Graduating seniors that are 19 before July 31 would be allowed to play this season. Ashwaubenon would like to combine/split the 5 thru 7 age groups. They would create a 5-6 group and a 6-7 group. Parents can pick where they want the 6 year olds to play. Russ will request these variances from National.
- WHERE IS BILL BATELME? At the end of last season it was brought up about dividing up his duties to give him some assistance. We need to get the ball rolling on this season. No pun intended.

10. New Business:

- All requested variances from old business passed. Ashwaubenon must make sure they follow Rule 1.2.A
- Draft Schedule: Districts must get field, teams, colors and coaches information to Bill Bartelme (or new scheduling coordinator) by March 18. (Wednesday Monthly meeting). The draft will then be conducted on March 27.
- Lynn passed around a copy of the budget. Under the administration portion we have a few items that may be an additional cost this year. Domain name renewal, Board Insurance, etc. We might even want to up our Board Insurance to \$2 million instead of the current \$1 million policy we currently have in place. We may need to go from the 15% Administrative to 20% to cover the additional cost. A final decision to be made at the April meeting.
- Back Ground Checks – Joe W brought up a question concerning the new company that SAY is recommending. The new company only checks at a National office and State and local issues are not showing up. GBE had 2 incidents where coaches had checked yes but the

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National search showed nothing. After checking with the local offices it was determined that there have been convictions in the past with these two individuals. Is the National screening doing us any good???? Clubs – do not waste the \$5 until it is determined if they are any good at back ground checks. Joe will write up some specific questions that need to be presented to SAY National. Dan and Russ will take these questions to the AGM. Dianne B would also like to know what Sheila Shay used as criteria to say whether the offenses committed would allow them to coach or not. Some more questions for Dan and Russ to ask. If you find a coach with a questionable past it is best to not use the individual. You do not need to give them a reason. Simply say – “Thank you for volunteering but we do not need your services this season.” Do not go into any details.

11. District Reports.

Allouez – No Report.

Ashwaubenon. – No Report

Green Bay East – Draft was held on Feb 17 and currently have 108 teams with over 1400 kids registered. Registration numbers are slightly down.

DePere-Wrightstown – Registration numbers are slightly down too. George stated that they now have 11 voting members with 24 members in total including 11 new committee members. One of the areas that they are really working on was adding referee mentors. The hope is that this will really help their young referees along. George will bring in job descriptions to the next meeting for some of their new committee members. DePere also uses an E-Mail data base that works well for them. You can find these services free at places like Yahoo groups. This service allows you to send out mass emails very easily.

Green Bay West – They are in the middle of Registration. No update on Bryan.

Howard-Suamico – Registration, On-line 1/29 – 2/28 Walk in on 2/14. On-Line registration is going great. They are even using Pay Pal for receiving payments.

Pulaski – No Report. (Where are your representatives?)

Motion to adjourn M/S/P at 8:20 PM.

Minutes by:

Gregg Schultz
