

SAXONBURG AREA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION
January 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 2, 2023 – 7:30PM

Name	Position	Present	Absent	Name	Position	Present	Absent
Jamie McSwaney (JM)	President/ TWP Rep	X			Twp. Liaison	X	
Nick Dreher (ND)	V. P.	X			Colt/Legion	X	
Kim Andrews (KA)	Secretary		X	Troy McCurdy (TrMc)	Pony		X
Cassie Beres (CB)	Treasurer	X		Curtis Walbert (CW)	Bronco	X	
Todd Feidt (TF)	Field Maint.	X		Bryon Breese (BB)	Minor		X
Ali Ciz (AC)	Concessions		X	Brandon Mowry (BM)	Farm	X	
Justin Thompson (JT)	IT/Web	X		Jim Boris (JB)	T-Ball		X
Jake Ingram (JI)	Sponsorship	X		Sam Naples (SN)	Tax Preparer		

JM opened meeting at 7:37 PM. – Minutes from prior month reviewed and approved.

MONTHLY UPDATE – Jamie McSwaney (JM) JM Reported:

- Review of season startup timeline
 - **March 1 – Evaluation schedules emailed out to all leagues**
 - March 7-9 Evaluations
 - March 15 – Deadline to have drafts completed from Farm League & older
 - March 21 – Deadline for uniform orders to be submitted

TREASURER’S REPORT – Cassie Beres (CB) CB Reported:

- General Checking \$18,973.23
- KMS Checking \$15,248.81
- Concessions Checking \$5,000
- Savings \$12,663.53
- Scholarship Savings \$585.16
- Investment \$20,718.83
 - Gross Account Balance \$57,940.75

CONCESSIONS – Ali Ciz (AC) AC Absent:

- Lots of concession opt outs coming in

FIELD MAINTENANCE – Todd Feidt (TF) TF Reported:

- Wants to buy new line chalkers
 - Last year was \$640, will get quote on new one and lead time
- Discussed needing new bases in 2022, will revisit after registration
- Laser-grading system for ABI machine – Fields were surveyed pro-bono and control points were set and models were built. This will tell us how to set laser.
 - Will need estimated 6 tri-axles to get the fields built up, will wait for the models to come back to determine.

TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVE – Jamie McSwaney (JM) JM Reported:

- Eagle Scout reached out to township needs a service project and wants to do something at Sebco.

WEB/IT/SOCIAL MEDIA – Justin Thompson (JT) JT Reported:

- 80 registrants so far total
 - 1 pony 6 bronco 19 minor 25 farm 29 tball
- Feedback currently is still Armstrong blocking the website but seems to be unavoidable
- All-Star team registrations are created and will get amounts entered for each team
 - Uniform – hat 23, jersey 30.
 - Average team registration cost \$150
 - Parents will see the option for All-Stars during regular registration, payment won't be asked of families until tryouts happen and teams are formed.

SPONSORSHIP – Jake Ingram (JI) JI Reported:

- Sponsorships total so far \$4,800
- Tball clinic sponsorship – last year was New Life and Hutterer Stahl Team – Jake will look into those
- Pictures are booked for opening day with Holly Mead Photography
- 9th grade team is donating the remainder of their account balance toward a new scoreboard on Legion field
 - Current cannot be repaired
 - \$7,500 for new board available in June or lightly used board that is 6'x14' \$6,000 available now
 - Would offer many sponsorship spaces
 - Will solicit a sponsor for the board with long-term sponsorship

LEGION/SENIOR COMMISSIONER – () Reported:

- No new business to report.

COLT COMMISSIONER – ()

- No new business to report.

PONY COMMISSIONER – Troy McCurdy (TM) TM Reported:

- No new business to report.

BRONCO COMMISSIONER – Curtis Walbert (CW) CW Reported:

- ARL meeting this Sunday via Zoom
- Has likely two coaches available if needed

MINOR COMMISSIONER – Bryon Breese (BB) BB Reported:

- Bryon will be resigning from the board effective immediately due to scheduling conflicts.
- Bryon has nominated Justin Demek to take his position
 - Board vote – 7 YES 0 NO – motion passed to allow Justin to take Minor Commissioner position for the remainder of the 2023 season

FARM COMMISSIONER – Brandon Mowry (BM) BM Reported:

- Talked with Ron to set up Farm League workouts at Oakland Elementary – 4 weeks

T-BALL COMMISSIONER – Jim Boris (JB) JB Absent:

- No new business to report

VICE PRESIDENT – Nick Dreher (ND) ND Reported:

- Middle School hats and practice are orders
- Home Tournament Dates

- 7U – July 21-23
- 8U - TBD
- 9U – May 19-21
- 10U – TBD
- 11U – July 20-23
- 12U – July 28-July 30 & Wood Bat May 19-21
- 14U - June 9-11
- Held All-Stars meeting with all coaches and reviewed recordkeeping requirements
 - New standards have been shared with all coaches and will be monitored going forward
 - Recordkeeping requirements include:
 - Shared ledger with SABA treasurer
 - Record of sponsorships
 - Existing rules related to SGOC records
 - Certificates of Insurance in shared drive
- Review of All-Stars jerseys and hats – will be ordered ASAP, shirt orders must be placed by 4/1 for all.

New Business Not Noted Elsewhere & Open Forum:

- Plan for kids playing up and down.
 - Safety considerations top priority
 - Align with grade on best effort
 - Consideration of evaluation score in the higher league
 - Consideration of draft rank
 - Utilize outside non-biased evaluators
- Has to evaluate in top two rounds of draft (based upon number of teams). Ex. 4 teams, must be in top 8 players.
- Will be evaluated at the end of the upper age group's evaluation
- All evaluations will have an unbiased evaluator in addition to the age group's coaches

JM ended meeting at 10:17pm.

Next meeting (Open) 3/2/23 7:30pm – Jefferson Township Building