



BLL Board Meeting Minutes  
BLL Boardroom  
November 5, 2023

Board members in attendance: Tom Brezler, Larry Horner, Jennifer VonGunden, Stephanie Fost, Scott Flick, Mike Benner, Jerry Cain, Darren Lutz, Duane Grove, Curtis Summers, Scott Caldwell, Brooks Fost

Others in attendance: None

The meeting was called to order by President T. Brezler at 6:00.

A motion to approve October board meeting minutes made by S. Flick, approved by M. Benner. The motion passes unanimously.

No October financials were presented, the board will review at December meeting.

There were no letters and no guest speakers.

### **President report**

December 7th is Nittany Valley Little League board meeting at 6:00. Meetings are held at the Marion Walker Township Building. T. Brezler, S. Caldwell, B. Fost and D. Lutz to attend to discuss interleaguering in Spring 2024. Board members discussed the starting time for the season as a concern.

### **Unfinished Business**

Fall cleanup was done by West Penn Power team. They removed field signs, widened field three base paths. Field two didn't get done. The water is off.

Bellefonte Lions are coming to do bleachers Monday and Tuesday. The expense for lumber was \$900.

Spring 2024 season- The high school is scheduled Feb 4 before 12:30, 11th all day, 12 before 12:30. Majors tryout separately from minors. Registration will open as last year on December 1. In person registrations will be held the first week in January on Friday 5th from 6-8 and Saturday 6th from 9-12.

### **New Business**

D. Lutz received a phone call that Brad Tomco is asking 12 year olds to play at teener. C. Summers called Aumen family to confirm. They are unsure what they are doing. Recommended that the league contact Jeremy Lucas to determine eligibility of 12 year olds.

A fan gear store will open Monday, November 7 and remain open until November 19. S. Fost trying Family Clothesline for gear.

M. Benner is starting background checks for coaches.

T. Brezler states that charter and insurance are done.

Registration prices - Each player cost is about \$160/child from balls to insurance and equipment. Discussion if there is appetite for buyout. With roughly 190 kids participating, league needs to raise \$20,000 to cover yearly expenses with no budget for improvements. Opt out would be more than \$100/child. Conversation was had to set price at \$45 tee ball and \$55.

T. Brezler to discuss the potential for funding for a warning track. Jon Rinkle from Lion Country Kia is a good supporter.

D. Lutz brought discussion regarding the need for lights for the pavilion along with some form of external outlet.

C. Summers made a motion to increase the monthly payment to \$750/month to M. Benner for field maintenance. L. Horner second. Motion passes.

T. Brezler brought discussion of the need for Spring Township field improvements to the Infield and fence along with a new batting cage. T. Brezler to discuss with John Jennings. S. Fost suggested clean up days at various fields.

L. Horner re: pavillion. PBCI Allen will be in to hook back up lights. He discussed the desire to place a sign for Thal Family Pavilion. A motion was made by L. Horner, second by Grove. Motion passes.

A camera is needed for Field 2 and there is a need to rearrange one to look under the pavilion. A roof vent is possibly needed.

D. Grove made a motion to adjourn at 6:56, S. Flick second. Motion passes.