

**SAXONBURG AREA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION**  
**December 2020 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 7, 2021 – 7:30PM – ZOOM MEETING**

Name	Position	Present	Absent	Name	Position	Present	Absent
Jamie McSwaney (JM)	President	X		Scott Kriley (SK)	Twp. Liaison	X	
Nick Dreher (ND)	V. P.	X			Colt/Legion		
Cassie Beres (CB)	Secretary	X			Pony		
Erika Allison (EA)	Treasurer	X		Troy McCurdy (TM)	Bronco	X	
Chris Schultz (CS)	Field Maint.		X	Jon Schaffer (JS)	Minor	X	
Cassie Beres (CB)	Concessions	X		Matt Johnston (MJ)	Farm		X
Kevin Thompson (KT)	IT/Web	X		Jim Boris (JB)	T-Ball	X	
Kim Andrews (KA)	Sponsorship	X		Sam Naples (SN)	Tax Preparer		

**JM opened meeting at 7:31 PM. – Minutes from prior month reviewed and approved.**

**MONTHLY UPDATE – Jamie McSwaney (JM) JM Reported:**

- Discussion of 2021 Spring Season Dates:
- **February 26, 2021:** last day of registration for Farm – Bronco, Pony TBD
- **Tuesday March 2, 2021:** Minor Evaluations @ St. Luke’s 6pm
- **Wednesday March 3, 2021:** Bronco Evaluations @ St. Luke’s 6pm
- **Thursday March 4, 2021:** Farm Evaluations @ St. Luke’s 6pm
- **T-Ball Clinic TBD**
- **March 7 – March 12, 2021:** Drafts to be held, teams to be created in SU Play and Uniforms to be separated out and sent to Kim Andrews for Sponsorship information
- **Wednesday March 10, 2021:** Coaches Clinic at St. Luke’s 6pm Start with Knoch Baseball presenting at 7pm
- **Friday March 12 – Monday March 15, 2021:** Dick’s Sporting Goods Coupon Days\*\*\*no manning the table this year. (We will get \$750 in gift cards good at Dick’s Sporting Goods or AD Starr.)
- **Wednesday March 17, 2021:** Farm – Bronco Uniforms to be ordered
- **Sunday March 21, 2021:** Practice Schedules and Game Schedules sent to leagues by Commissioners
- **Saturday March 27, 2021:** Field Cleanup Day 9pm
- **Sunday March 28, 2021:** Make Up Day for Field Cleanup 1pm
- **March 31, 2021:** T Ball Registration ends
- **Monday April 5, 2021:** All leagues start practice
- **Week of April 19, 2021:** Pony season begins
- **Saturday April 24, 2021:** Knoch Players Clinic 10am -2pm\*\*\*lunch provided
- **Saturday May 8, 2021:** Opening Day and Picture Day
- **Friday June 11, 2021:** T-Ball Ends
- **Saturday June 18, 2021:** Last Day of Regular Season (Farm – Bronco)
- **Week of June 21-25, 2021:** Playoffs (Farm – Minor)

**TREASURER’S REPORT – Erika Allison (EA) EA Reported:**

- Savings: \$5,745
- Concessions: \$1,833
- Investment: \$20,340
- General Checking: \$14,570
- Total of all accounts: \$42,563
- Registration slowly trickling into account

- Only December expense was \$450 fall ball check was cashed

#### **CONCESSIONS – Cassie Beres (CB) CB Reported:**

- Discussion about collection of VSF checks, streamline process somehow
  - Will work out with Kim and Jamie and let the group know how we will handle
- Will be sending links for proposed equipment purchases

#### **FIELD MAINTENANCE – Chris Schultz (CS) CS Absent:**

- Scott is running Hustler over this Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>
- ND dad is working on the golf cart

#### **TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVE – Scott Kriley (SK) SK Reported:**

- No new business to report

#### **WEB/IT/SOCIAL MEDIA – Kevin Thompson (KT) KT Reported:**

- Registration is up and running
- Flyer will get posted on website
- Facebook budget: will start with 20 for a week and see how it goes

#### **SPONSORSHIP – Kim Andrews (KA) KA Reported:**

- Sent about 75 letters out prior to Christmas, including 30 new ones, generated one check and one lead so far
- Lots of tball sponsorships so far
- Cash bash tickets ready for evaluations, will use August for prize month again

#### **LEGION/SENIOR COMMISSIONER**

- Jamie is coordinating with Pete and Jason Gillis about finding a replacement for commissioner

#### **PONY/COLT COMMISSIONER – Scott Kriley (SK) SK Reported:**

- 13U Travel Ball Coach – Mike Pelloni – UNANIMOUS YES
- 14U not enough kids at this point, will revisit if necessary
- Discussion about Pony evaluations – will play location by ear depending on number of kids
- ARL with Colt and Pony, meeting sometime in January
- Scheduling meeting for Pony is March 27<sup>th</sup>

#### **BRONCO COMMISSIONER – Troy McCurdy (TM) TM Reported:**

- Sent out a message to first year Bronco players and second year Minor kids to reach out about interest in winter workouts
- 11U starting end of January

#### **MINOR COMMISSIONER – Jon Schaffer (JS) JS Reported:**

- 10U winter workouts are up and running
- Handful interested in 9U but still working toward a full roster

#### **FARM COMMISSIONER – Matt Johnston (MJ) MJ Absent, JM Reported:**

- 7U will start practicing on Sundays
- Working on dates for home tournaments
- Evaluating in-house rules for farm

### **T-BALL COMMISSIONER – Jim Boris (JB) JB Reported:**

- Tball Clinic Planning: Lakeview \$300/hr. 1 ½ hour = \$450 – Will pick a date at Lakeview
  - Shutdown coverage we would get money back
  - Normal COVID guidelines
- Discussion of Lakeview vs. outdoor later in spring
  - Pro for doing it early is it helps to boost signups

### **VICE PRESIDENT – Nick Dreher (ND) ND Reported:**

- Cassie will be sending out updated Bylaws – Responses due 14<sup>th</sup>, final vote on update is in February
- Discussion of ages – included on bylaws amendment to be sent out for board review, up to commissioners to determine development of a team based on number of players at an age group. Protecting kids that sit on the bubble between age groups
- Discussion of streamlining sponsorship for All-Stars because teams seem to be hitting up the same businesses
- Nick to put out a list of what is needed re: all-stars from each commissioner
- TO REMAIN ON MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY VOTE:
- *All-Stars Organization Update*
  - *Cleaned up the bylaw*
  - *Added “All players must have played in spring SABA season”*
  - *Added birthdate cutoff*
  - *Added commissioner liaison (assigning role to VP)*
  - *Added nomination of coach in November to make this an annual structure and allow for indoor workout planning*
  - *Added that you cannot compile your list of potential players until after spring baseball registration, meaning spring registrants need to have the option to play in all-stars.*
  - *Must have home tournament*
  - *All expenses must be covered by each team or by collecting fees. Added \$200 fee per team due prior to first outdoor practice. This will be to cover the chalk/field dry/maintenance issues that come up that league incurs the expense for by allowing teams to play.*
  - *SABA will cover insurance as it does currently.*
  - *Uniforms must follow SABA branding*
  - *All else the same*
- *Put together FAQ sheet for Age Changes and All-Stars to add to the website to give all information in detail*
  - *Discussion about future confusion about age discrepancy between in-house and all-star age cutoff with possible public confusion*

### **New Business Not Noted Elsewhere & Open Forum:**

- Registration Details:
  - All set on website – could combine Tball if we want to
  - Cassie to email registrants that it is opening on Monday
  - Kevin re: Advertising: will not be able to use Primary and Intermediate to hand out flyers so will use the difference for social media advertising
  - Cassie to order 200 from Ace Brothers in January
  - Will wait to see what happens with shutdowns in January before booking evaluations
  - Will offer sizers at evaluations and not have in-person registration. Offer to accept cash at evaluations or another time.
- Will do an equipment swap or have donated cleats and other items for those who need them at evaluations
- **Capital Improvement Budget Update**

- **Minor Field Overhaul \$12,000, came in at \$11,835, got more work done than was initially quoted & they went above and beyond, did a great job.**
- **Batting Cage Overhaul \$3,000, came in at \$2,027 before turf**
  - **4 L Screens, Netting, Cable, turning 2 cages into 4**
  - **Consider rubber on the back end of the cage**
- **Field Signage \$2,000**
- **Paint \$500**
- **Legion Field Maintenance \$1,000, came in at \$156**
- **Golf Cart Overhaul \$1,500**
  - **Total budgeted \$20,000, to date we have spent \$14,410.**

**JM ended meeting at 9:02pm.**

**Next meeting (Closed) 2/4/21, 7:30pm @ Zoom**