BGSA Meeting Notes 12/13/23

Attendees: Paul, Steve, Brian, Billy, Andy, Corey, Jenna, Matt, Jillian, Colleen, Claire, Crystal, Mike

1. Paul provided a Financial Update
   1. Income coming from Winter training & Tournaments
   2. $4,680 paid to Next9Up for winter training program
2. Winter Training
   1. 22 registrations (4 in K-3 / 18 in 4-12)
   2. What is the deadline to cancel and get refund from Next9up (Matt will check)
   3. Other towns have started winter training for the summer teams which could impact participation in our winter training program – need to discuss moving up summer tryouts to create teams earlier (Like what other times are doing); is there in opportunity to offer sign up for Fall & Summer for the 2025 season.
3. Promotion
   1. Reach out to schools about promotion opportunities in school flyers / Jillian will ask DiPietro / Crystal will contact Memorial School
4. NESC offered to come to winter training and offer some additional training – Board doesn’t support this.
5. Next9Up can offer a Pitching Clinic for 4 weeks Saturday 3/9 – 3/30 (8:30-10am). Matt is getting quote from both Next9Up (25 girls / $2900/ how many coaches?), Planet Fast Pitch & Brand New Ballgame so we can consider.
6. Spring In-Town
   1. Still need to meet with Milford & Hopedale / Board & Coaches need to send list of suggested rule changes to Andy and Steve.
   2. Need to decide to if we are sticking with grade or DOB. Andy is pushing to get meeting set up to discuss, need to determine so we can open Spring registration. The BGSA is supportive of switching to DOB to be consistent Summer and Fall.
   3. Basebell booked gym on 3.10; she is trying to get times from Baseball to see if there is any availability on that day or Saturday 3.9
7. Summer
   1. 8u – 8 registrations / 3 paid (including Bellingham)
   2. 10u – 21 registrations / 11 paid (including Bellingham)
   3. 12u – 20 registrations / 12 paid (including Bellingham)
   4. 14u –17 registrations / 8 paid

Bellingham teams summer registrations:

8u: Bellingham Bash; ok to register for Dighton (6/28) & North Kingstown, RI tournament

10u: Bellingham Bash; Milford

12u: Bellingham Bash; Milford

14u: no tournaments

1. Fundraising / Sponsorship Updates
   1. Mike is still working on getting info from Linda / Baseball on how they do their calendars / raffles
2. Uniforms
   1. There hasn’t been many local providers that are willing to support a spirit store. Magliaro Custom Apparel would be willing to do a spirit store.
   2. Dighton coach owns a screen printing store / Corey will share contact with Mike
3. Concession Stand
   1. Ace Food –too expensive and not worth using.
   2. We can get a BJs card in Spring
   3. Restaurant Depot is worth looking into
4. 2024 Expenses
   1. Improve batting cages / ask town if they would be willing to help pay or do work (need estimated cost from Dave – need get quote on doing the work). Get information by February meeting so we can vote to move forward
5. CPR Training
   1. Colleen can set up a CPR training for board members and coaches. She will get quote from a few different instructors and plan to offer in April.
   2. AED should be accessible to all coaches; set up a lock box outside of the stand with pin pad access.
6. Scoreboard
   1. The light pole has power / would need to rewire to run power to scoreboard.
   2. Billy will get a few quotes from electrician to do work