

Barnstormer Booster Club Board Meeting Minutes

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Meeting Subject

Attendance 16

Committee Updates

Location	Date	Start Time	End Time
Sterling Place	10-14-08	6:00 p.m.	8:35 p.m.

Objective

To provide committee updates to the Board

Meeting Notes/ Agenda Items

1. Welcome- Deb Ranck
2. No Lancaster Barnstormer Representative present due to them having prior commitments.
3. Secretary- Vicki Sauders
 - a. Due to some club members feeling that the minutes are inaccurate, the secretary asked the Board to vote as to whether she should complete this term.
 - b. The board voted that Vicki Sauders should complete this term.
 - c. The secretary agreed to remain.
 - d. She reported that she has removed her name from the list of secretary candidates for next year.
4. Item #12 on the September 9th Board meeting minutes was discussed at length
 - a. Deb Ranck and Deb Heisey met with the Attorney. They gave the attorney a \$400.00 retainer as this was previously approved by the Board.
 - b. The board had previously given approval for the lawyer to review the documents.
 - c. The Attorney reviewed and gave the club the EIN form, letters of incorporation and a letter of guarantee.
 - d. Deb Ranck and Deb Heisey refused to sign the letter of guarantee because it would have committed the club to work with the attorneys on any future needs.
 - e. Deb Ranck and Deb Heisey reported that they were only doing it item by item.
 - f. The balance of the lawyer fee was \$1006.20. This could have been paid in installments or paid in full. The board voted at the August board meeting to pay the bill in full.
 - g. Cindy Geib stated that she is concerned that the fee was not disclosed to the membership and that it was not documented in the minutes. She also reported that she was not kept informed by her committee members. She went on record stating that the expenditures should be in the minutes and that we owe them open and full disclosure.

- h. Cindy Geib suggested that all committee chairs should be providing written reports prior to the meetings.
- 5. Kelly Breniser made the following motion-
 - a. Written Committee reports should be given to the President 1 week before the meeting. Jason Pollack second the motion. The board approved the motion.
- 6. Jim McNaught made the following motion
 - a. All records should be open to the public. An itemized treasurer's report should be given to the President 3 days before the meetings. An itemized treasurer's report should be given in the minutes. Olivia Lancaster seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.
- 7. Jim McNaught made the following motion
 - a. The names of the people who make a motion and approve the motion should be listed in the minutes. Olivia Lancaster seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.
- 8. Laurie Fuller made the following motion
 - a. To move the minutes back to the main page of the club website. Olivia Lancaster seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.
- 9. Jason Pollack made a motion to approve the September 9th Amended Board Meeting minutes. Kelly Breniser seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.
- 10. Treasurer's report- Deb Heisey
 - a. The club has \$1908.00
 - b. The club has the following outstanding bills
 - 1. \$22.50 to Lancaster Laser Inc for 9 Let's Play ball ornaments (\$2.50 a piece)
 - 2. \$189.00 for the York August game
 - 3. \$ 217.00 for the York September game
 - c. Nothing will be paid until statements are received
 - d. Lori Baxter made a motion to approve the treasurer's report.

Laurie Fuller seconded the motion. The Board approved the treasurer's report.
- 11. Membership Committee- Vicki Sauders
 - a. We have 192 members with only approximately 25-30 actively participating in the club.
 - b. We have only received 11 surveys back so far. The purpose of the survey is to help the new board plan for the upcoming year and to find out what people are interested in.
 - c. Concerned about the prices and what we are offering the club members for the money in comparison to the Boomer Club.
 - d. Several board members expressed that we are different than the Boomer Club.

- e. Laurie Fuller suggested that we find out if we have the support of the Barnstormers. And that we would appreciate having more of a presence in the stadium at all times.
- f. Cindy Geib suggested that we look into scheduling player appearances at some of the meetings during the off season.
- g. Kelly Breniser recommended that who ever they hire for the marketing position should be the person that we deal with.
- h. Cindy Geib suggested that the board schedule a special meeting to discuss concerns regarding the Barnstormers.
- i. Kelly Breniser made the following motion- that the board compiles a list of questions that we would like answered by Kevin Cummings. Deb Heisey seconded the motion. The board approved the motion. Questions should be emailed to the info link by November 15, 2008.

12. Charitable Committee – Jim Hannah

- a. Currently 21 people have volunteered to assist with the Lancaster County Project for the needy
- b. More research is needed regarding sending supplies to service people in Iraq.
- c. Deb Ranck reported that one need that she is aware of is hand cream due to the dry conditions.

13. Communications- Laurie Fuller

- a. Laurie requests that all committee chairpersons submit something for each newsletter. The Deadline for the next newsletter is Dec 1st.
- b. More content is needed for the newsletter
- c. We will not be receiving donated printing services next year.
- d. Laurie made a motion that we have blank membership cards for 2009 printed and that the member signs their card when they receive it. Kelly Breniser seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.
- e. Ideas for upcoming newsletters include profiling players and a Barnstormer staff member in exchange for them printing the newsletter.
- f. The continuation of the newsletter will be discussed at the next membership meeting.

14. Website- Laurie Fuller

- a. Several bios have not been received from people
- b. All candidate names will be posted. If a bio has not been received she will state no bio available.
- c. Due to some cyber glitches, Laurie will send a quick reply to all e-mails. If she does not reply, do not assume that she received it. Instead resend your e-mail.

15. Deb Heisey reported that \$487.00 in donations was given by club members for Ron Fenwick. This money was turned directly over to Jackie Zangi who saw that it made it to his family.

16. Activities- Lori Baxter
 - a. 32 people attended the picnic
 - b. Tickets were sold for the adoption of the bear and basket
 - c. Several ornaments were sold
 - d. In the process of planning off season activities
 - e. An activity survey was created. Please review and e-mail feedback on the survey to Lori through the club link.
 - f. Continuing to explore Reading Royals Hockey game.
 - g. Kelly made the motion that Lori check into having a club holiday party at Dutch Apple dinner theatre and that it be open to the club member's family and friends even if they are not a club member. Laurie Fuller seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.

17. Governing Documents- Cindy Geib
 - a. Presented a draft of the Code of Ethics for Officers and Board members
 - b. Kelly Brensier made the motion that the Board allow Cindy and the committee members to proceed with the Code of Ethics. Jason Pollack and Lori Baxter seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.

18. Player Liaison- Olivia Lancaster
 - a. The president of the Bridgeport Booster Club (Sheryl Rosen) is ill. She is requesting on behalf of a club member that we send a thinking of you card. Kelly Brensier made the motion that the club sends 1 card showing our support. Jim McNaught seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.
 - b. Olivia Lancaster reported that she could give Laurie Fuller player information for the newsletter.
 - c. Olivia Lancaster and Cindy Geib reported that the players really appreciated the food, snacks and support that the club gave them.

19. Historical Committee- No report from committee chair
 - a. Deb Ranck reported that they are working on it.

20. Fundraising- No report given

21. Deb Ranck reported that nominations have dwindled. However, people can still be written in right up until we vote.

22. The board approved tabling having a representative of the Boomer Club coming. This will be looked at again in Jan.

23. New Business-
 - a. The club has been contacted by someone who is interested in starting a booster club for the Maryland Blue Crabs.
 - b. Kelly Brensier made the motion that we continue communication with this person and that we invite him to the Dec Board Meeting.

Olivia Lancaster seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- c. Cindy Geib asked if it would be okay to release sample information to him. This was approved by the Board.

24. Election-

- a. Deb Heisey made the motion that Cindy Geib be the supervisor of the election. Olivia Lancaster seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.
- b. Absentee Ballot will be created by Deb Ranck. The absentee ballot will be given to Laurie Fuller to be posted on the website by Nov 1st.
- c. Absentee Ballots will need to be in the club mailbox by Nov 14th in order to be counted.
- d. All of the candidates will be listed on one sheet. This sheet will be created by Deb Ranck.
- e. Each voting member will receive their ballot in a envelope. Deb Heisey will be placing the names on the envelopes.
- f. Tally sheets for the votes will be created by Deb Ranck
- g. Cindy Geib will contact to the Barnstormers to find out who will tally the votes the night of the election.
- h. A membership list will be brought to the meeting- Vicki Sauders
- i. Ballots will be destroyed immediately after the meeting

25. Jim McNaught suggested that the club purchase a tape recorder for taping the minutes to help with accuracy in reporting the minutes.

26. Vicki Sauders suggested that the Board may want to think about changing the by-laws regarding the time frame for delivering the minutes. It is listed in the by-laws that the secretary has 30 days; however, due to the time sensitivity of some issues the current secretary suggests that it be shortened.

Attendees- Vicki Sauders, Jim Nolt, Sam Bolton, Ann Talbot, Jim McNaught, Debbie Heisey, Laurie Fuller, Lori Baxter, Jason Pollack, Olivia Lancaster, Cindy Geib, Kelly Brensier, Jamie Pollack, Deb Ranck