



## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** April 24, 2017

**TIME:** 7:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Rec Center, Music Room

**MEETING CHAIR:** Blaine Cheney

**MEETING TITLE:** General Meeting

**BOARD MEMBERS / ATTENDEES PRESENT:**

George Frasier

Blaine Cheney

Linda Cheney

Betsy Ramshur

Janette Anderson

John Cavill

Katie Cheney

Pat Fitzmorris

Brye Lester

[Jessica Leopard](#)

[Doug Block](#)

[Jennifer Durringer](#)

[Katie Kallai](#)

- **Call to Order**

- Meeting was called to order by Vice President, Blaine Cheney at 7:00 PM

- **Quorum**

- Nine of thirteen Board members present (2/3 required)

- **Welcome / Introductions**

- Blaine welcomed Jessica Leopard who will be the new Softball Director for 2017

- **Approval of Previous Minutes**

- Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the last meeting

- **Treasurers Report**

- Betsy suggested the possibility of looking into changing banks due to different processes. Some discussion followed regarding researching this change, Betsy reported on financials.

- Blaine will look into funds that should have come from the Cobra Booster Auction.

- **Secretary's Report**

- Nothing new to report

- **Directors Remarks**

- Football** / John Cavill:

- Will be putting together sign up procedures prior to going on-line with registrations.

- Volleyball** / Jessica & Pat Fitzmorris:

- registration dates: open August 7<sup>th</sup>, close August 28<sup>th</sup>.

- Practice starts on 5<sup>th</sup> of September.

- Games start end of September and run through the last of October.

**Basketball** / Katie Cheney:

- Wall pads will fit with the current ones, and will move forward with recovering process.
- Looking for anyone who has experience with vinyl recovering, or anyone who knows where we can get a good deal on the vinyl.
- planning basketball camp, open registration in 2 weeks, cost will be the same as last year
- Still looking for speakers

**Soccer** / Janette Anderson:

- Field is in very poor shape, forcing the re-location of games.
- Can the field be shifted in order to solve the water problem, Janette will check on this.
- Would it be possible to move to Pioneer Park?
- Goal now is to build the younger teams in such a way they feed the high school teams
- Discussed possibility of having a booth at the Pioneer Picnic for soccer

**Baseball** / Sean Johnson:

- Sean was unable to attend the meeting, so George reported
- Practices are going well
- No issue with sharing fields with soccer

**Softball** / Jessica Leopard:

- Jessica Leopard has volunteered to be the new softball director
- Scheduling is completed and coaches have contacted parents
- Games will be held at the High School
- 10-U / 12-U teams

**T Ball/Coach Pitch** / Brye Lester:

- Practice is currently going on and they are waiting for game schedule, next week

- ***City of Brownsville /Doug Block***

- Thursday, at 7:00 the city council will be starting on the budget for the city

- ***Parks / Betsy Ramshur***

- Still in recess

- ***Unfinished Business***

- Online registration:

Spoke with 2 entities regarding their use of the program under consideration, feedback was very positive for our needs. Emphasized setting it up correctly from the start. Next step will be to figure out how to proceed. Would like to pilot it with a smaller sport to work out any possible kinks. It was decided to proceed with reviewing the contract. Goal is not to have the directors support the administrative portion and assign an administrator to set-up and administer the functions. Blaine has offered to have a leading role in the set-up process due to his IT experience He will get questions answered before it goes live to make sure all steps are easily understood. Motion was made, seconded and passed to move forward with the contract.

- Establish annual calendar that will contain:

- Sports registrations / deadlines
- Contract renewals
- Elections
- Fund raising events

- Still looking to establish a fund raising committee (5 members) has anyone spoken with anyone regarding this? We will continue the discussion at next meeting. We'll be looking for ideas to generate income and would like to find people outside of the group in order to expand interest in the Rec Center. Blaine asked if everyone could have a conversation with at least one person regarding this.

- Discussed again, establishing a Communications Committee – set standard of how we communicate to community

- Web-site updates – Facebook, online registration, City of Brownsville website

- Grant money opportunities (United Way) George – United way application has been submitted, goes to committee by May 2<sup>nd</sup>. George has asked for \$5,000 and will give a 45 minute presentation regarding this. This would be for funding to increase our Hispanic families' and AYSO scholarships. This will fund us for next two years. Please contact George with any suggestions he could use in the oral presentation. George attended grant writing class sponsored by the funding group from the Grand Rhonde Casino on how their funding works, what they will and will not fund and what always gets funded.

- George needs to get a rough idea this week on number of sports participants for upcoming insurance.

- Jenni Durringer has graciously offered her time and expert services in writing grants. Please contact George and Blaine prior to contacting Jenni with questions. We need to be looking for substantial dollars.

- ***New Business***

- Softball sports director – Jessica Leopard, who has had extensive involvement with sports and children, has already been serving in her new role. Motion was made, seconded and passed to elect Jessica softball sports director.

- A Senate Bill passed to leave Recreational Immunity in place and it will now go before the House.

- Basketball co-director – Katie Cheney presented Katy Kallie as co-director. Motion made and seconded and passed to elect Katy Kallie co-director.

- CLRA email (@CLRAsports.org) –Baine has registered domain names for: .com, .info, .net, and .sports in order to better protect the identity of the Rec Center. There have been email addresses created for board members and directors and Blaine will work with individuals to get these set up. Question was asked if something like this be set up for phone numbers.

- Blaine will research getting password information for the Facebook page.

- Mike Moore has submitted his resignation for basketball. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept his resignation.

- ***Adjournment***

Meeting was adjourned by Vice President, Blaine Cheney at 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Linda Cheney, Secretary