FBTAA Meeting Minutes/Agenda

Meeting Called to order: January 10, 2019 @ 7:03 pm

Roll Call: Attendance - Eric Vernon, Jarrett Taranto, Jennifer Felix, Steve Felix, William Walczak, Rocky Gencarelli, Jack Callery, Gene Medei, Chris Medei

\*Special Election: Eric nominates Bill Walczak for Treasurer. Jarrett seconds. Unanimous vote - yes.

Minutes Review:   
Changes/Corrections/Motion to Accept:

1. Jarrett - motion to accept 2. Steve - seconded All voted in favor. Motion passes. Minutes accepted.

Photographer Presentation - Kaboly Sports Photography

Pictures are done in front of a green screen, either outdoors or indoors, and they are able to include borders and graphics. They always provide more photographers than needed for an event. Quick delivery of about 2-3 weeks. Credit cards are accepted on-site. They have a Create Your Own Package which includes 4 images and digital copies.

They can send a photographer to a game to provide live action photography. Live Action photos are through parent request: send an email with date and time and a $25 reservation fee for photographer to show up. \*Can do the whole team at once for the same fee of $25. Live action photos are posted on website for parents to view and select pictures.

Parents can buy a single item, if that is all they want to buy. \*\*No costly packages required.

Kaboly can customize a program for FBT needs. FBT gets a % back on purchases, a $600 minimum. They offer prices around 25% lower than competitors in the area. If wanted, fundraising can offset prices: Sports Magazine with up to 8 advertisers per page at $250 each, or $1000 for full page for sponsors, Yard Signs at around $20 each, Banners at around $3/foot, and much more.

Regular and All-Star photo days are separate.

Eric motions to use Kaboly Photography as our photographer for the 2018-2019 season.

Jarrett seconds.

All voted in favor. Motion passes. Kaboly Photography will be FBT's photographer for the 2018-2019 season.

Chris Medei - Senior Legion Information - league fees remain the same for 2019 season. First Monday after the Super Bowl is the next meeting.

In 3 years we need to add an American flag on our jerseys, can be silk screened or stitched on.

Roster size of 18 or fewer, player CANNOT waive to another team.

Roster size over 18, player CAN waive to the closest team. It is for a one year waiver only. Player needs to return to FBT the following year to tryout.

ALL players NEED to go through evaluations/tryouts, which are sometime in April. If one cannot attend, special arrangements can be made with the Senior Legion Coach in order to be evaluated at another time.

Only equipment Senior Legion needs are baseballs and Umpire fees.

Treasurer Report: see attached December 2018 Cash Walk   
Changes/Corrections/Motion to Accept: Walters still needs to get paid and LVCR equipment will be a big expense.

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President Report: Eric Vernon  
Perfect Game Update - Dan Villani spoke on FBT's behalf to put us on the Perfect Game schedule to host tournaments. Unfortunately, he cannot speak for FBT. Colleen, a representative from Perfect Game will attend our February 7, 2019, meeting at 8:00 pm to provide information to the Board and answer questions. Basic information right now is that all FBT will need to do is take care of the grounds and provide a snack stand. Perfect Game will pay FBT for the use of our facilities. They provide a staff to assist in all other aspects of hosting the tournaments. Outside vendors come in. It is not typical of a hosting organization to enter teams in the tournaments, but it can be a possibility.

After listening to Perfect Game's presentation, the Board will make a decision on if our facilities and organization can handle this large of an event.

Registration Numbers - as of this date, there are 79 players registered.

Registration Process - for In-Person dates: Check-In station at the door to fill out a sheet along the route, Registration station to check the player's division, ensure player is registered properly and check Volunteer status of parent(s), Fundraiser station to hand out for purchase this year's t-shirts and last year's shirts ($12 each for both designs), Heights hoagie coupons ($6 each), sign up for Iron Pigs tickets ($11 each), Blue Barons hats ($20 each), car magnets ($3 each), and then a Check Out station to pay for all items being purchased, including registration. Cash, Checks, and Credit Cards accepted.

We will utilize Sign-Up Genius for snack stand duty for the 2019 season.

Vice President Report: Jarrett Taranto

FBT received 500 Heights hoagie coupons. Cost of each coupon is $6.

March 9 and 10 is Dick's Sporting Goods FBT Day. Coupon will be at In-Person Registrations and emailed.

Webmaster Report: Rocky Gencarelli

Website updating is good. Will put Dick's FBT Day on Facebook. Discussion of re-upping posting ads on Facebook.

Eric - flyers were not sent to schools this year. Jen can send to St. Anne School for inclusion in their weekly Parent Communication email once flyer is created and finalized.

Senior Commissioner Report: Eric Vernon

No Commissioner as of yet. Bushkill 13-14 year olds will be coached by Frank Olshefski. 12 year olds can be taken based on grade level.

No Coach for 15-16 year olds as of yet.

Minor Commissioner Report: Steve Felix

- Evaluations: penciled in at NCCC; however, they are hosting a basketball tournament and the penciled in date of February 24 is the tournament snow date. Called around to check other facilities availability and nothing is available at Lehigh University; received no call backs from Moravian or Coordinated Health. Can possibly contact Notre Dame and Freedom next.

- Background Clearances: still have 40 paid for courses through Babe Ruth for the required Coaching Certificate course. Babe Ruth has an updated course coming out sometime in January and our 40 will be transferred over to the new course.

- Background Procedure: feedback was that it was an easy process. Bangor President contacted Steve about using JDP. Abuse Prevention Training (Safe Sport Act) - EVERY coach needs to complete the course.

- Will work on coaching materials for FBT's Coach's Meeting. Eric suggests sharing information on Incident Reporting so every coach follows the proper procedure.

- Possibility of adding a simple (non-electric) pitching machine for 8 U division.

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Committee Reports:

* Equipment Jarrett - Pitching mound is ordered, will need help to get it where we want to store it. 5 sets of catchers' gear and helmets in Royal Blue have been ordered. Need to wait to order Pitching Machine. Ad Starr (Dick's wholesale division) can help us with ordering Addidas pants, whatever style we want. Mesh hats with heat resistant rubberized patch are in the process of being ordered.
* Communications no report
* Facilities Eric - Eric Davis finished the men's bathroom, only needs to paint the flooring. Need to decide where to put the ice chest and AED from the old Umpire's closet, which is now the men's bathroom. Ladies room will get painted to match the new painted flooring.

Fritch needs to come out and look at our A/C - it's been freezing over on the outside.

* Snack Stand Gene - need to plan what needs to be ordered for this coming season. Wants to hold a meeting toward the end of January for Oversee Managers. Ice cream went to Heights Market. Heights said FBT can order sodas from them instead of through Coca Cola. Everything is turned off except one refrigerator/freezer.
* Boosters Eric - Fundraisers scheduled: Keystone Pub on March 14, Iron Pigs FBT Day on April 20, Golf Outing on May 25

Rocky - Heights Athletic Association on Easton Avenue wants to make a significant donation to FBT. FBT would need to send a representative to their meeting to accept the donation.

* Coaches’ Reports: Eric - concerned about number of coaches for Coach Pitch. Will need to look at overall numbers of registered players and coaches. Eric will need help in running T-Ball Academy, which is 1 hour on Saturdays.

Discussion Items:  
Confusion over payment acceptance - FBT WILL accept checks as payment.

Eric - BTCC contacted him about FBT participating in their Community Days. It would be good for FBT to be a part of it to show our support. FBT would need to provide staff over a few days at the events.

Unfinished Business: none

Courtesy of the floor: none

Next Meeting: February 7 after In-Person Registrations at 8:00pm in FBT Field house. Perfect Game representative will be there to discuss hosting tournaments.

Motion to Adjourn:

1. Steve 2. Bill Walczak Time: 9:57 pm