

# MYSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

**Location:** Metamora Village Hall  
**Date:** May 15, 2023  
**Time:** 7:30 PM CST  
**Facilitator:** Chris Urban  
**Secretary:** Nikki Krischel

## Board Members:

Chris Urban	President & Interim Baseball Director	Present
Dave Stomberg	Vice-President	Present
Nikki Krischel	Secretary	Present
Barbie Otto	Treasurer	Present
Lisa Cole	Softball Director	Present
Kyle Kamm	In-House Basketball Director	Present
Tony Wooden	Travel Basketball Director	Present
Derek Quam	IT/Comms Director & Tee-ball Director	Present
Ryan Otto	Fields & Equipment Director	Present
Keith Helwig		Present
Matt Bidne		Present

## Consent Agenda:

Chris Urban - President's Report:

## Members of the Public:

Jen Micheletti from Jen Micheletti Photography -

We discussed the best ways to schedule all team/individual pictures.

Chris Urban will provide a list of all teams with parents' emails, and cell phone numbers; as well as coaches and team sponsors so Jen can set up our PhotoDay account.

Jen will work with Chris Urban to finalize the schedule for 8U, 10U, 12U baseball; as well as Pixie and Junior Softball.

Tee ball will be scheduled individually with Jen and the Tee-ball coaches. Derek Quam will assist as needed.

Jen will also attend the June Board Meeting to get Head Shots of all board members for the new website.

# Agenda Items:

## 1. Approve Meeting Minutes:

**Motion to the Board:** Approve the Meeting Minutes from both the April MYSA Board of Directors meetings.

Motion: Chris Urban

2nd: Nikki Krischel

Vote: Pass

## 2. Approve Consent agenda for April 2023 Board of Directors Meeting

**Motion to the Board:** Move to adopt the Consent Agenda as a whole.

Vote: Pass

## 3. 2023/2024 Basketball Season – Tony Wooden & Kyle Kamm

Lengthy discussion on what MYSA plans are for Travel Basketball in the 2024 season.

A lot of the discussion surrounded what was best for all of our Travel basketball participants, MYSA, GHAA, and how kids from Metamora would be affected by combining travel teams again.

We also accounted for the future success of the Metamora and Germantown grade school programs as well as the high school programs.

Tony presented information about the surveys that we sent out after last season and the support for combining again, but many on the board felt that combining may result in Metamora players not getting a chance to play on a travel team since GHAA was unwilling to accept Metamora players. The concern was if we were inadvertently driving kids away from basketball.

Ultimately, it was decided to put forth a vote to allow kids that are in the Metamora Township High School School District to play on the MYSA Travel basketball program.

Additionally, Tony Wooden, Keith Helwig, Ryan Otto, and Kyle Kamm will be the board representatives of the MYSA Basketball Committee and will start working to generate plans for the upcoming 2023/2024 season as well as ways we can improve our basketball program in the future.

**Motion to the Board:** MYSA will allow participants from the whole of Metamora Township High School District to register and tryout for the MYSA Travel Basketball program for current and future years.

Motion: Nikki Krischel

2nd: Ryan Otto

Vote: Pass

**Motion to the Board:** Keith Helwig, Ryan Otto, Kyle Kamm and Tony Wooden will comprise the MYSA Basketball Committee. Tony Wooden will chair the committee.

Motion: Chris Urban

2nd: Kyle Kamm

Vote: Pass

#### **4. Baseball, Softball, Tee-ball Overview**

We had a brief discussion about the ongoing Spring/Summer 2023 Bat-and-ball season as well as some of the difficulties we have encountered so far.

We will work on a better process for evaluations and team placements for 8U baseball, including only allowing evaluations to drive team placements.

We will improve the scheduling process for teams and fields using our new website and TeamSnap for the 2024 Spring/Summer season/

We would like to open registration sooner to allow for a stricter registration deadline. We would like 8U Baseball and Tee-ball's schedule to coincide with the older players, allowing for more time for uniform orders and sponsorship arrangements.

Nikki Krischel will look into medals vs. trophies this year for our bat-and-ball participants under the 8U level and present options to the board for approval. Any teams that compete in Washington Park District will be competing for trophies in that tournament.

Chris Urban will confirm the umpire pay, process for payment, and umpire scheduling with Washington Park District. We also need to confirm the Win/Loss tracker for each age division and how we submit scores.

We brought up the idea of letting coaches decide if they would prefer to use \$6.00 per participant for an end of season party, or trophies similar to GHAA, but it was decided to table this until next year.

#### **5. New Baseball Director**

We are in need of a new Baseball Director to take over after Marcus Camp decided to vacate his position and leave the MYSA Board of directors. We asked everyone to start asking around for involved members of our community to join the board and be voted in as Baseball Director.

#### **6. MYSA Legal Status, Tax Exempt Status, and Non-Profit Status Update - Chris Urban**

Chris Urban provided an update on our legal and IRS filings, and explained that the Executive Board has agreed to have Gary Schmidt listed as the Registered Agent for MYSA. This allows the lawyer to have advanced warnings on any lawsuits and complete our tax filings each year.

**Motion to the Board:** Approve the NFP Articles of Amendment-Metamora Youth Sports Association & NFP Statement of Change of Registered Agent as written and presented by Gary Schmidt with Heyl, Royster, Voelker & Allen, P.C. (Peoria, IL).

Motion: Chris Urban

2nd: Barbie Otto

Vote: Pass

## **7. Final Reading – MYSA Organizational Calendar**

We agreed to table this until the June meeting since everyone needed more time to review it.

## **8. MYSA Website and TeamSnap Review – Derek Quam & Keith Helwig**

Derek and Keith will provide additional updates on the progress with the website at a later date. Little work has been done due to other ongoing priorities.

## **9. DBA & Branding Discussion – Chris Urban**

Additional discussion on this is forthcoming, but Chris Urban had sought the pricing from Courtney Kamm Design for a brand refresh as part of our website and registration upgrade. Chris Urban will seek quotes from additional graphic design companies for a brand refresh and we can vote on new brand ideas in a future meeting.

Additionally, we need to discuss the direction and naming of the association as it relates to our future plans, direction, values, mission, and goals. Table larger discussion until the June Board Meeting.

## **10. Sponsorship Committee Overview – Dave Stomberg**

After a brief discussion about what is needed for Old Settlers Days (new logo/signage/shirts/banner (for parade) we decided that we are not in a position to be in Old Settlers Days this year and will prioritize the brand refresh before we order new signage or member shirts.

**Motion to the Board:** Forgo Old Settlers Days for 2023. We will readdress in 2024.

Motion: Chris Urban

2nd: Keith Helwig

Vote: Pass

## **11. Capital Improvements Overview**

Update was given regarding Lower St. Mary's field. MATBO has harley raked and spread the new top dirt on the field. Lower St. Mary's still needs a new home plate and new base posts. We have the Home plate and will work to get it installed as well as getting new base posts for that diamond. Ryan Otto will work to get plate and base posts installed.

Since the diamond has been harley raked some weeds have returned and it needs to be sprayed again.

Chris will work with interested members of the board to provide the park district a potential layout and quote for the cost of putting in a new diamond at BPP as well as a

new building (storage and concessions) and batting cages. The Park District may have approved batting cages in a previous year for Black Partridge Park. Matt Bidne will investigate that with the Park District.

Also we need new dirt on all fields and to realign home plate, mounds, and bases at Black Partridge Park. Chris and Ryan will work with the Park District on this process.

## **12. Approve Park District Participant Fee**

Chris Urban explained that per MYSA's contract with Metamora Park District, we are obligated to pay the Park District a \$5.00 participant fee and \$1.00 land rental fee.

**Motion to the Board:** Approve the contractual payment to the Metamora Park District for the Annual Park participation fees.

Motion: Chris Urban

2nd: Dave Stomberg

Vote: Pass

## **13. MYSA Interest in assisting Metamora Park District with Parking for Pro-Am Golf Tournament at Metamora Fields**

Chris provided information that the Metamora Park District was seeking interest from partnering organizations to see if they wanted to assist with paid parking at Black Partridge Park for the ProAm golf tournament at Metamora Fields, June 26th - July 2nd.

It would require 5 parking attendants per day to park roughly 500 vehicles. MYSA would receive some portion of the parking fees which could be from \$5.00 to \$10.00. The Park District would provide the shuttles to the golf tournament. MYSA could pick a single or more than one day that week to assist with parking.

After discussion, the board was interested, but the following questions needed to be answered before we could vote to approve our assistance:

- What percentage of the parking fee would MYSA get?
- What will be the cost of parking?
- How many days does the park District expect (or will the park district allow) MYSA to assist with parking?
- Can we pay parking attendants?
- How long do you expect the days to last (how long will the parking attendants need to work)?
- How can we effectively ensure that activities at the park (Baseball, softball, tee-ball) would not be affected by golf parking?

There were also concerns about if MYSA could get enough volunteers to cover the days/times needed.

Chris Urban will reach out to the Park District for the answers and provide them back to the board before we decide any go-forward plans.

**14. Next Board Meeting**

Date: June 12, 2023  
 Time: 7:30 PM  
 Location: Metamora Village Hall

**Motion to the Board:** Approve next MYSA board meeting for Monday June 12th, at 7:30 PM.

Motion: Nikki Krischel  
 2nd: Barbie Otto  
 Vote: Pass

**Adjournment:**

**Vote to adjourn board meeting.**

Motion: Chris Urban  
 2nd: Dave Stomberg  
 Vote: Pass

## Additional Discussion Items:

None

Action Items:	Owner(s):	Deadline:
Finalize the MYSA Organizational Calendar for Final Board Reading and approval	Chris Urban	June Board Mtg.
Submit Headshot photo to Chris Urban	All Board Members	June Board Mtg.
Create a Basketball Committee and discuss future plans for MYSA Basketball. Provide an update to the board.	Tony Wooden, Keith Helwig, Ryan Otto, and Kyle Kamm	July Board Mtg.
Get Lower St. Mary's sprayed for weeds on infield	Kyle Kamm & Ryan Otto	ASAP
Get Home Plate and new Base Posts installed at Lower St. Mary's	Ryan Otto	ASAP
Figure out process by which MYSA schedules and pays for umpires with Washington Park District	Chris Urban	ASAP
Get pricing for Trophies vs. Medals for Bat-and-ball sports	Nikki Krischel	June 1st
Presentation of new MYSA Website	Derek Quam & Keith Helwig	May Board Mtg
Seek Quotes from two additional graphic design companies for MYSA Brand refresh	Chris Urban	June Board Mtg.
Schedule and provide details of Dairy Queen Night	Dave Stomberg	June Board Mtg.

Produce quotes for capital improvements at Black Partridge Park for Capital Improvements (building, batting cages, additional field, additional dirt)	Chris Urban	July Board Mtg.
Cost of bringing in new dirt and realigning BPP Baseball diamond	Chris Urban & Ryan Otto	June Board Mtg.
Discuss Metamora Field ProAm and parking assignment for MYSA with the MPD, and get answers to board's questions.	Chris Urban	ASAP
Create a "Service Award" for Pam Siefken.	Chris Urban	June Board Mtg.

Appendices: