Membership Meeting

Guilford Community Center – December 5, 2016

Opening Meeting – calling meeting to order at 7:32 pm

Present

Mark Donovan; Steven Ruotolo; Adam Smith; David Meder; Fred Rosa; Chris Loban, Brian Berry, Mark White, Fred Ferrie, Jen Stenger, Dani Howard

Contact information, By-Laws, Committee/Board Access list and Robert’s Rules - Chris

* No vote at meeting regarding By-Laws as there not enough members for a quorum
* Danielle updated central contact list
* Danielle emailed Robert’s Rules of Order after last meeting. All members are again encouraged to familiarize yourself with this format.

Lions Club:

* Ed Montague, President of the Guilford Lion’s Club attended the meeting and spoke about the Lion’s club interest in a “donation brick campaign” to benefit area charities including the Guilford Little League concession area at Adam’s. Efforts are to commence following holidays with installation planning in to begin in the Spring.

PCA

* Chris from the Positive Coaches Alliance spoke about the PCA and their involvement in the 4 “audiences” for youth sports: Leadership, Coaches, Parents, Athletes. They help develop a positive culture bridging these audiences together, providing the tools and training resources to develop local programs and for the betterment of the athletes. He left detailed pricing information with President Chris Loban and Coaching Coordinator Steven Ruotolo.

**Action Items**

Financial Update

* Mark White presented an abbreviated financial statement on behalf of Thomas.
* Currently have $73K in bank, $10K loss so far this year mainly due to bills from last fiscal year being paid in this fiscal year.
* Chris Loban wants to continue discussion of cost breakdown of fees for play in relation to cost per kid per divisional participation

Spring Ball start date and recruiting

* Will begin 3rd week of April
* Need to set up league evaluations, coordinate with Mark Sampson
* Discussion was made to simplify AA categories and to look at evaluations based upon ability to play up versus just age

Charter, Insurances – Fred

* Charter application has been received via mail and is in the process of being updated

Determine rough timeline for Annual Calendar inclusive of Fundraising – Fred:

* Fred has been updating calendar. He encouraged board members to look at it and contact him about adding known events which occur yearly

Fundraiser efforts – Fred

* Efforts are in process. Fred passed out league sponsorship applications. Confirmed that payments can be accepted via credit card.

Coaching and Offseason Training –Steve

* Steve has established communication with PCA as noted early. He will follow up on future involvement.
* Discussions are ongoing with the Clutch baseball program regarding winter clinics. Chris Loban is continuing discussion as to availability of town space. He will contact Jake the athletic director at the high school.

Umpire Subcommittee – Chris

* Established last meeting the Danielle with Chair, with the additional committee consisting of Mark Sampson, Mark Donovan, and Tom Huffman

Opening Day and End of Year Team – Chris

* Continued planning
* Communication is occurring with representative Sean Scanlon and the police department. Will attempt to contact a different Fife and Drum organization and will continue to search for a local person to do national anthem

Parks & Rec meeting, walk the fields, etc – Dave

* Fall Clean Up was organized and completed except for Bitner batting cage which David will complete by next meeting
* Electricity Bill, Field irrigation, Adams Shed – will all be discussed with Rick Maynard, Chris and Dave next week during their meeting

Equipment inventory

* Chris Loban received report from Alex stating he has not checked returned equipment for damage and replacement, but did note that we have 80 boxes of balls and over 40 new batting helmets in storage so we are in good shape at this point.

Bittner Lights Situation, Temp Mounds, Scheduling games – All

* Some preliminary discussion was made regarding temporary mounds versus fixed mounds and in regards to having only one filed dedicated for 50-70 with no opinions or determinations made

Fundraiser Position TBD – Still open

Letter to membership – Chris Still Pending

Next Meeting Monday January 9th - Open Forum

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm

Submitted by David Meder