

FCFL Board Meeting
February 4th, 2009
February Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Brian Quinn (Fairfield)
Carmen Roda (Westport)
Ron Marsilio (Westport)
Jim Coley (Darien)
Mitch Ross (Darien)
Doug Hart (New Canaan)
Kevin Black (Wilton)
Jeff Mastrianna (Wilton)
Tom Dexter (Wilton)

Absent:

Rick Adinolfi (Fairfield)
Kevin Brown (Fairfield)
John Bisack (Fairfield)
Ted Dumbauld (New Canaan)
Jack Horstmeyer (New Canaan)
Ed Booth (Westport)
Artie Waters (Darien)

1. Approved January 15th, 2009 Minutes
2. Treasurers Report:
 - \$1500 in registration dues from respective towns due 5/6/09
 - \$300 extra due from NC-back dues
 - Insurance Certificate due by 6/3/09
3. Presidents Report
 - Nothing of note
4. Norwalk team-Matt Heffernan presented
 - Start a 6th grade team and possibly a 7th grade team. All players come from Norwalk flag program and do not have tackle football experience. We discussed assisting them with equipment needs by possibly donating extra/old equipment. Matt indicated that he could practice at Norwalk High but needed to speak to the Mayor in order to play games at NHS. Questions from the FCFL board focused on enrollment process and indicated the requirement that it needs to be open and available to all who want to participate up to 33 kids. Chris Santapietro will be the HC with Matt Heffernan as assistant.
 - Follow-up is for each of the towns to go back to their respective boards, present preliminary details, and vote whether to accept Norwalk proposal to join the league at the 6th grade and possibly 7th grade in 2009.
5. NC Coach- Rob Jones
 - NC board last month but Doug Hart was not aware of what the final outcome/ruling was on Rob Jones. Doug will check back with NC board and present at our meeting on March 4th, 2009.
6. Relevant Dates for 2009
 - First practice- 8/17/09
 - Registration closing-8/21/09
 - Jamboree- weekend of 8/29/09
 - Week 1-9/5/2009
 - Coaches meet and greet (Piedmont Club)- 9/1,9/2,9/3
 - Carmen recommended we get these dates on the FCFL website ASAP so folks can schedule vacations etc.
7. Committee Chairs for 2009
 - President-Fairfield- Brian "Mr. President" Quinn
 - VP Scheduling- Westport-Carmen Roda
 - VP Rules-New Canaan- Ted Dumbauld
 - VP-Policy- Darien-Mitch Ross

- VP-Secretary-Wilton-Tom Dexter

8. New Business

- Jamboree-Mandatory! Will be held the weekend of 8/29/09
- Head of Rules Committee will act as liaison with the Officials- Teddy Dumbauld will be liaising with Gerry and crew in 2009...
- Policy committee will discuss/address rotating referees between towns for games.
- Doug Hart addressed the issue of Saturday games to accommodate the Mormon players. He expressed that maintaining this accommodation is very important within NC. The participation of Mormons in Darien appears to becoming more prevalent. If we maintain Sat games, the issue becomes the officials' availability as well as access to fields in select towns. These games would need to be played on Sat am or Sat evening depending on field and Referee availability.
- Each rep will discuss with their respective towns the idea of playing inter-town games during the regular season but avoid playing inter-town games in the first round of the playoffs. This would make the scheduling process significantly more efficient and easier.

9. Next Meeting- March 4th, 2009