

FCFL Board Meeting
May 6, 2009
May Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

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

Chris Santopietro (Norwalk)
Kevin Brown (Fairfield)
Artie Waters (Darien)

1. Approved April 1, 2009 Minutes- Mitch Ross 2nd
2. Treasurers Report:
 - All towns to forward registration checks (Darien-paid in full)
 - Linda Colgan has been paid for updates to the FCFL website-She will be accessible for tech support
 - Received registration numbers from Linda. Still early.
3. Presidents Report
 - Nothing of note
4. Rules Committee- Ted Dumbauld
 - Grades 3-8-Excessive Lead Rule (Removal of players)
-Board agreed to take back to the respective towns the idea of eliminating *Rule VII., Removal of Players* while adjusting *Policy VII. #6* (24 point rule) to a 1st offense (letter written by coach) and a 2nd offense (season suspension). The replacement coach is subject to season suspension on first violation of the rule. Each town has also been asked to evaluate whether the point differential of 24 should be lowered coincident with the elimination of the Removal of Players rule.
 - 7th Grade- PAT and FG are live. Fake PAT (1pt) and FG are permitted. The Kicker on both PAT and FG must be an Unlimited Player. A fake or botched PAT that results in a score, the team will get (1) pts. Blocked PAT is a dead ball. An attempted PAT or FG counts as a play for the MPV.
 - 8th Grade-PAT and FG are live. The Kicker on both PAT and FG must be an Unlimited Player. Fake or botched PAT that results in a score, the team will get (1) pt. Blocked PAT is a dead ball. An attempted PAT or FG counts toward the MPV. Punts are live and will be governed by CIAC rules. The only exception is the Punter and Personal Protectors must be unlimited players. Punt returner, all upbacks and ends must be unlimited players (same as defensive rules). Fake punts are permitted. Punts count toward the MPV. Kick-offs are live and will be governed by CIAC rules. Limited players cannot be deeper than 15 yds from the kicker (or inside their own 45 yd line). The Kicker can be a limited player.

All of the above proposed rule changes brought before the FCFL board by the Rules committee will now be brought to the respective towns for their vote.

5. Policy Committee- Official Vote
 - Policy VII. C- Annual Roster Reshuffling-a minimum of 25%-YES
 - Policy VII. C- Every team within a town must have the same number of 1st year players +/- one player.-YES
 - Policy VII. F. 2- Eligible players- Kid must reside in the town of the FCFL team which he plays-NO
Kid may play for another FCFL team if the town he resides has a team at his level- NO
No Grandfathering- Yes (However, this is going to be revisited. Carmen is going to request from Linda a list of last out of town kids from last year and the FCFL board will entertain exceptions for kids who have been play in

FCFL towns that they do not reside in which an FCFL team exists). This will be vetted at each town followed by a vote at the FCFL. Carm will have the list in the next week.

- Policy IX. H- Game Ejections- Any adult (Coach, Parent, Play Counter, Chain Gang) ejected from a game will be removed from the sideline and the school property immediately. A second violation will result in a season suspension (no less than 5 games).- YES
 - 6th Grade Defensive Coach- Removed from the Field- NO
6. New Business-
 - Jim Coley-Background/Criminal Checks- Jim to provide a sample report (Check email from Jim 5/7/09)
 7. Next Meeting- June 3rd, 2009