

FCFL Board Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, June 1st, 2011

I. Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 7:20

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from May 4th meeting were approved.

III. Open issues

President's Report: Nothing to report

Secretary's Report: Nothing to report

Safety Committee: Nothing to report

Ref Committee: Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report: Nothing to report – Treasurer not in attendance

Policy Committee: Nothing to report – Chair not in attendance

Rules Committee:

- 1.) Red line version of updated rules has been circulated. Minor adjustments required for 5th grade (removal of 'motion' in both offensive and defensive formation language).
- 2.) Recommend sending out updated versions to towns/coaches for review.
- 3.) Target June 15th to have all updated rules finalized and published on FCFL web site (including diagrams outlining eligible formations by-grade)

Scheduling Committee:

- 1.) Sourcing software options which are compatible with the FCFL website.
Critical that we select a software option which allows flexibility to address various circumstances (one coach two teams, HS conflicts, etc)
- 2.) New Canaan (Ted) to provide Darien (Mitch) with the contact information for the programmer who created the scheduling software used in prior years (by New Canaan).

IV. New business

- 1.) Referee cards will be in effect this season. Rules committee to update the cards with the recently approved modifications.
- 2.) Concussion Training & Certification - Possible to have the mandatory concussion training conducted at the "Meet & Greet"?
 - a. Alternative could also be an on-line certification
 - i. Westport to investigate to determine what's available
- 3.) Question raised regarding the 'Field Commissioner' role and the fact that it hasn't been utilized consistently throughout the league.
 - a. How can we better manage possible in-game confusion (i.e. rules interpretation)
 - i. Consideration given to having an FCFL Board representative at each Jamboree location to address any questions regarding rules
 - ii. Conduct an overview of all new rules during the pre-season 'Meet & Greet'. Facilitator would be member of the Rules Committee.

- b. Suggestion submitted to have FCFL President send out a communication to all towns/coaches referencing the enhancements made at each grade level and encouraging cooperation from each team as we move through the season.
 - i. Conduct league-wide conference calls (by-grade) to review the rules changes and conduct Q&A to clear up any confusion

V. **Adjournment**

Ted Dumbauld adjourned the meeting at 7:50

Attendees:

Ted Dumbauld

Steve Hessel

Tom Grace

Brian Quinn

Mitch Ross

Artie Waters

John Wright

Ron Marsilio

Lance Graber

Mike Ruddy

Minutes submitted by: Steve Hessel, Secretary

Minutes approved by: