

FCFL Board Meeting – Westport PAL  
Wednesday July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012 @ 7:15 PM

Meeting brought to order by James Cooley

Financial Report, Carmen Roda – All dues are paid. Committee voted to file as a 501C3 Not-for-Profit Corporation, approved 14-0. Dumbauld to assist with filing.

Committee Reports:

1. Policy – Off season practice defined as 2 hours per week, non contact – Passed 14-0. The wording for the age policy is to be amended on the website because it is currently incorrect.
2. Refs – Grading system for referees needs further discussion and must include feedback from referees. Policy will come from entire board and not one town.
3. Rule – Changes are now posted on Website.
4. Safety – Each town must submit proof that all coaches have concussion, first aid and safety certifications prior to start of practice. The board will look at and discuss adopting rules similar to Pop Warner for contact and tackling during practice.
5. Scheduling – Each town needs to submit field availability for Jamboree ASAP!  
The Following Policy Changes were voted on:
  - a. Request to play on only one weekend day then town is only guaranteed 3 home games – Passed 11-3
  - b. If no day restrictions are made then each team gets 4 home games if fields are available – Passed 13-1
  - c. No team can have more than 6 home games – Passed 14-0
  - d. Towns have to give complete field availability by 8/20 – No Vote, out of our control
  - e. No games before 8:00 on Saturday and 9:00 on Sunday – Passed 14-0
  - f. Losing home field availability after season starts (damage to field, etc.) is an automatic waiver of 3-4 home game requirement – Passed 14-0
  - g. Consistent team naming for every town – Passed 14-0
  - h. 2 Divisions for each grade for towns with 2 or more teams to be placed in opposite divisions– Failed 9-5, tabled for two years.
6. Old Business:
  - a. New Canaan – No change
  - b. Norwalk – Desperate need for equipment – Each town needs to see if they can donate extra or old gear. FCFL is going to pay for Jerseys – Passed 14-0
7. New Business:
  - a. 2012 Waiver requests:
    - i. Fairfield 8<sup>th</sup> – no longer an issue

- ii. Darien 8<sup>th</sup>, Rich Joyce – Attending new school which will hold him back in 7<sup>th</sup> grade but wants to play with current friends in 8<sup>th</sup> – Passed 14-0
- iii. Darien 3<sup>rd</sup>, Idris – Dad coaches at high school but lives in Norwalk. Wants to coach son but needs to have him play in Darien. May not be an issue but permission was granted – passed 14-0

The coaches meet and greet will take place as follows:

August 21<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade coaches

August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade coaches

August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade coaches

Next Meeting scheduled for August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 8:15 PM at Westport PAL

Meeting adjourned at 8:15