

Southern Parkland Youth Association Board Minutes April 7, 2009

Attendees: Scott Snyder, Dave Kentner, Jim Chrapowicz, Mark Reed, Scott Cooperman, Sean Gill, Kerrie Armbruster, Jack Stengel, Al Cavallucci, Jen Cooperman, Shelley Ferry, Laurie Fridinger, Dave Peters.
Visitors: Dan Yannes, Bob Tridico, George Hlavac, Dave Puckett.

President's Report – Scott Snyder

- Scott received a call from Lower Nazareth trying to get football teams to start Lacrosse. This is just an FYI as more organizations are offering the sport.

Vice President's Report – Dave Kentner

No specific report

Secretary's Report - Jim Chrapowicz

March minutes approved

Treasurer's Report - Mark Reed

- Financial Report Read and approved
- Insurance policy premium going up about \$3,000 due to the increase in the number of participants
- Audit complete; Mark will arrange for the auditor to provide an in-person report

Old business:

- Bylaw change discussion to require commissioners to be members of the board. 2nd vote Approved unanimously. Bylaw updated.
- Pittman Contract Status
 - o The contract ends in 2009
 - o Dave Kentner has told a few photographers to call us back in September
 - o Pittman has been notified that we are looking at options and they were asked to provide a proposal
 - o Scott Snyder talked to a few and has issues with some being out of town companies and others having only 2 or 3 employees
- Public Posting of the Bylaws
 - o Scott Snyder was concerned with misinterpretation
 - o Sean Gill doesn't think there would be any issues
 - o Al Cavallucci thinks we should post them to provoke people to get involved
 - o Vote was held and approved to post the Bylaws
- Public Posting of Treasurers Report
 - o This may be a bigger issue with membership getting involved in how the many is spent
 - o Discussion on providing only yearly summary financial information on website- Voted and Approved

New business:

- Late Fees and Volunteer Fees given to specific sport, not the general fund
 - o Mark Reed notes that it will be some additional work to do this
 - o Scott Cooperman supports raising budget for the sports who are looking for these fees

- Scott Snyder discussed that Football has always been required to fundraise a specific dollar amount to cover the high cost of the sport. Scott suggested to raise the specific sport fee to cover the appropriate cost for the sport
- Mark Reed suggests for 2010 the budgets are just increased to cover what would have been needed for the late fees, volunteer fees, and sport specific required fundraising
- Scott Snyder noted that this will be tabled and addressed as part of the 2010 budgeting process

Commissioner Reports

Baseball – Scott Snyder

- Season in full swing
- Coaches clinics held
- Travel teams selected
- Issues with field space, mostly due to new Lehigh County policy
- Discussion on new UMT fields
- Looking at starting to enforce the league boundaries at the lower travel levels
- Blastball Starts 4/19; T-Ball/Prep start 4/4

Basketball – Jack Stengel

- Looking for a replacement commissioner
 - Has 1 possible person and another who may assist
- Season over
- Some issues with age level coordinators stacking their teams at the draft; complaints from parents and coaches
- Equipment return ongoing
- One Championship Girls team at 5th/6th
 - Will need award jackets
- Girls teams did well overall

Cheerleading - Kerrie Armbruster

- Early registration in March to fit new uniforms
 - 104 signups out of a usual total of about 140
- Coaches certification clinics
- Preparing for May registrations

Football – Sean Gill

- George Hlavac running youth camp
- Dave Puckett – flag football commissioner
- Will work on Parkway Manor field issues if 80's can go to new UMT field then PM lower fields would be available for fall baseball as previously planned
- Scott Snyder – Troxell has been offered before for football; this may be an option
- Meeting schedules for planning of youth camp
- Flags will be at new UMT fields

Soccer – Dave Kentner

- Online registration closed; taking waiting list as needed; currently at around 500, expect around 540
- Big influx of U10 and U12 girls – will be rotating teams
- Concerns from parents on team size
- Photo day on 4/28 @ Grange and Lone Lane
- Season started for travel but bad weather; season will be done by early June
- Coaches education ongoing
- Sponsored referee class; coaches will get referee licenses to see it from the other side
- New UMT fields will be used for U7, U8, and Kindersoccer; moving U8 around due to field issues at UMT fields
- Equipment in; uniforms on order
- Rec program starts 4/18
- Tim Shanahan has resigned effective immediately
 - o Dave has someone interested in taking over
 - o Possibly breaking the program into multiple coordinators

Softball – Shelley Ferry

- Uniforms in
- Pictures 5/3
- Parkland League starts 4/20
- LVL starts mid May

Warehouse - Scott Higgins

- No report, not present

Good and Welfare

Nothing specific

- Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted-Jim Chrapowicz