

Southern Parkland Youth Association Board Minutes
March 2, 2010

Attendees: Scott Snyder, Dave Kentner, Jim Chrapowicz, Mark Reed, Andrew Johnston, Bill Novak, Sean Gill, Kerrie Armbruster, Shelley Ferry, Scott Higgins, Dave Peters, Wendy Petraglia, Dan Yannes, Bob Tridico, George Hlavac, Tessa Shin. Visitors: Chris Boscia, Ken McCreary

President's Report – Scott Snyder

- Previous discussions on fees
 - o Scott has received more information from other organizations to see the range of fees being charged
 - Some organizations are funded by their local township
 - Some charge different fees per sport and/or more for travel teams
 - o Our fees are in the middle

Vice President's Report – Dave Kentner

- No specific report

Secretary's Report - Jim Chrapowicz

- February minutes approved with minor wording adjustment

Treasurer's Report - Mark Reed

- 2K donated to the Church
- 7K in gym fees
- About 1.1K down from 2009 registrations

Old business:

- Drop Box
 - o Company went out of business; Scott is following up to try and find the box so we can install it ourselves
 - o Scott found out the box is currently in NJ and he is attempting to get it on 3/8; Sean Gill volunteered one of his trucks/drivers to pick it up if needed
- Pittman Contract
 - o Sponsorship money received
 - o 100 discount cards need to be reprinted as they use the picture of one of our players
- Some bylaws that were discussed years ago were never officially included. Bylaws need to be reviewed for differences against current process.
 - o No progress
- Code of Conduct
 - o A consistent one is needed for all SPYA sports; the ones for the individual leagues will still be needed
 - o Must cover players, parents, coaches
 - o Need to define rules and penalties
 - o Will be published online and referenced on the registration form and online registration
 - o Scott will be pulling together a draft for review

- Sponsors on website
 - o Reviewed list of potential sponsors

New business:

- Audit Engagement letter – Vote was taken and Mark is authorized to engage with the auditors and sign the engagement letter
- Latham Scholarship
 - o Board approved to continue the scholarship(s)
 - o \$500 to a male and female Parkland Athlete who has played in SPYA
 - o Money from website sponsors can help fund the scholarships
 - o Scott will send it to PHS
- Bylaw changes were read and approved unanimously
 - o Article V – Section 5
 - “The President and the Treasurer to be co-signers to all checks of the Association, both signatures being necessary.” to “The Treasurer and any other Officer to be co-signers to all checks of the Association, two signatures being necessary.”
 - o Article V – Section 6 – Remove this section
 - o Article IX – Section 2
 - Add (g) “Shall be required to provide a written commissioners report at each Board of Directors meeting that their sport is in season; in season is defined as the start of sport registration until the end of the sport season.”
 - Add (h) “Shall be required to provide the Secretary with the pertinent information to perform background checks on all head and assistant coaches for their sport.”
 - Modify (e) “Shall, at the conclusion of his sport, submit a proposed budget for the following year to the President of the Association.” to “Shall submit a proposed budget for the following year to the President of the Association no later than the November meeting of the Board of Directors.”
 - o Article VIII – PURCHASING
 - Add Section 5 “The primary colors of the Association are Red, White, and Gray with Black being used as an accent color. These colors only apply to teams that play against other organizations. Any variation of this color scheme must be approved by the Board of Directors.”

Commissioner Reports

Baseball – Jim Chrapowicz

- Registrations are mostly closed; down about 20 in Blastball, 10 in Tball. 1 additional ULM AA team. Online registration has been updated to only accept the number of players based on available spots
- Equipment and apparel have been ordered and started to arrive. Additional uniforms may be needed due to the extra team. Possibly will be changing to T-Shirts for all rec levels next season as vests are expensive and hard to keep clean.
- Travel evaluations are scheduled to start March 13th. Weather is expected to be an issue – we are working with local resources to find indoor options.
- Coaches clinics have been scheduled for 3/21
- All coaches are found with the exception of 2 for Tball. Blastball Coordinator has been identified.

- Field permits have been requested from SWT and Lehigh County. Field time at Lehigh County Fields continues to be an issue. Grandlawn is also having a AAA team which will require us to share fields at Wehr's Dam.

Basketball – Dave Kentner (Mark Constant not present)

- Girls season over, a few minor issues
- Will be changing some rules to match the competitive level of play in the rec programs; suggested that boys do the same.

Cheerleading – Kerrie Armbruster

- Last coaches meeting will be this week; Kerrie meeting with tumbling coordinator
- Early signups in March @ PM
- Mats have been quoted – need new ones for competitive cheer and stunting for safety
- Tumbling course in house; advanced tumbling suggested to go to Parkettes w/ discount for SPYA
- Mats – need to identify which schools need mats and ones that are acceptable for daily use

Football – Sean Gill

- Out of season fundraiser request made for a 5K race in April
 - o Will be run on streets; police donating time for safety
 - o Paid by entrants and sponsors of the runners; Funds benefit football and cheerleading
 - o Board requires written approval from the township

Soccer – Drew Johnston

- 448 registrations at this time
- 7 travel teams; rec teams being formed as registrations come in
- Coaches training scheduled
- Probably some UK Elite training camps will be run
- Games start 4/10
- Equipment and apparel orders complete

Softball – Bill Novak

- 105 registrations; down a bit
- 20 teams
- Tryouts scheduled
- Coaches arranged
- Equipment being ordered
- Apparel sale being planned
- Field prep in progress
- Lottery fundraiser being done

Warehouse - Scott Higgins

- Working on different vendors for first aid kits
- First aid kits for spring sports will be ordered after basketball equipment return

Good and Welfare

- Meeting Adjourned. Next Meeting April 6th. Respectfully Submitted-Jim Chrapowicz