

Southern Parkland Youth Association Board Minutes
April 6, 2010

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

President's Report – Scott Snyder

- No specific report

Vice President's Report – Dave Kentner

- No specific report

Secretary's Report - Jim Chrapowicz

- March minutes approved with minor fixes

Treasurer's Report - Mark Reed

- Insurance renewal processed with no increase; 1st installment paid
- Baseball and Soccer expenses hit heavy this month

Old business:

- Drop Box
 - o Scott did not get the box but still believes we can get it from them
- 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 received samples from all sports
 - o Kerrie will pull together a draft
- Latham Scholarship
 - o Scott emailed PHS the old flyer for reference and will update it and get it to the school with the date changes

New business:

- Mark Shill – AdMark printing presented a proposal to create “fathead” like prints and offer to our families. Could be a fundraiser for SPYA. Mark was asked to do a formal written proposal.
- Donation Request to Muhlenberg College – Muhlenberg College put over \$30k in improvements into a field that we share. SPYA approved donating \$500 to their baseball program as a thank you. The money will come from the Chevy Youth Baseball donation we received again in 2010.

- Fall Sport Registration
 - o Dates set as Sat 5/8, Tue 5/11, Thu 5/20
 - o Kerrie will schedule SMS Caf
 - o Dave will put in newspaper
- Board Vote – Chris Boscia unanimously voted onto the board
- Warehouse Manager – Scott Higgins is stepping down – we will need a replacement
 - o Ken McCreary has expressed interested in the position, he will be added to the board after the proper amount of meetings
- Background Checks – Soccer and Softball need to provide the proper information to run the checks
- Grange Road Petition and Support
 - o UMT has requested that we get petitions signed and solicit support to submit with the grants for money to finish Grange Rd park.
 - Each Commissioner will be responsible for getting signatures and support

Commissioner Reports

Baseball – Jim Chrapowicz

- Registrations are mostly closed; down about 15 in Blastball. Added 2 teams to rec league. Full at in-house levels.
- Equipment and uniforms have arrived and are being distributed; some late orders expected due to the additional teams
- Travel team selections done in March
- Coaches clinics held on 3/21
- ULM rec players had a clinic on 3/27; coaches drafted teams 3/28
- All coaches are found with the exception of 2 for Tball. Blastball Coordinator has been identified.
- Field permits are complete; additional time was secured from Lehigh County with the help of Muhlenberg College being flexible with their permits
- Practice begun for all levels
- Picture Day 4/17
- Lottery fundraising, apparel sale, Iron Pigs sale in progress
- Fall baseball planning begun

Basketball – Mark Constant

- Season ended in March
- Uniform and equipment return was done on 2 dates; 10 teams outstanding and still working on those
- Working on coordinators for next season; will meet in June to discuss
- Looking into summer basketball program
- Travel uniforms may need to be replaced; suggestion to have players buy their own
- All other levels may go to tee-shirts.

Cheerleading – Kerrie Armbruster

- Early signups this week at Parkway Manor
- Coaches identified
- Running camp in May

Football – Sean Gill

- 5K race will be happening; approved by township for 4/18
- Parent wants to donate equipment – is this acceptable? – approved by Board

Soccer – Drew Johnston

- 448 registrations at this time; still receiving emails for late sign ups
- 7 travel teams; 21 rec teams; 23 in house teams
- Coaches training completed
- Games start 4/10
- Travel tryouts for fall being scheduled

Softball – Bill Novak

- 120 registrations; slightly down but still taking registrations
- 10 teams
- Coaches arranged
- Tryouts held
- 6 teams playing in tournament on 4/24
- Equipment being ordered; waiting on arrival
- Pictures scheduled for May
- Apparel sale being planned
- Field prep in progress
- Lottery fundraiser being done
- Batting cage repair

Warehouse – No report, Scott Higgins not present

Good and Welfare

- Meeting Adjourned. Next Meeting May 4th. Respectfully Submitted-Jim Chrapowicz