

MISSION STATEMENT

"To guide and assist our youth in their pursuit of personal growth and the meaning of sportsmanship through athletic excellence, that will improve the lives of all that are involved."

RASA MINUTES

November 13, 2011

Attendees

Stacie Calder
Bill Coblentz
Rich Scott
Peter Hall
Scott Henry

Paul Hetrick
Craig MacIntyre
Ray Fox
Roy Godard

I. Secretary's Report: Ray Fox motioned to approve the minutes and Rich Scott 2nd, all approved.

II. Treasurer's Report: attached

Review of the Treasurer's report. The following checks were approved for payment:

Todd Croisette	Quick Dry for fields
Bill Coblentz	field prep items

There was a question about a deposit from John Pepkowski for the snack stand. At the last meeting it was decided not to accept any more money from John. Bill will look into this matter.

Bill also told the Township that all tournaments were finished for the year and no more dumpsters or port-a-pots were needed. Bill will call Tim at the Township to have them winterize.

Stacie Calder motioned to pay the bills and approve the Treasurer's report. Paul Hetrick 2nd. All approved.

III. Old Business:

Fall Ball:

- Equipment turn in-some of the coaches had left their equipment at the field house after their last session. Stacie has made arrangements for the rest of the coaches to turn in their equipment on the coming Wednesday.
- The survey was sent out and everyone answered that they were aware of the Saturday games.
- Bill felt that while there was some confusion the season went well. He did state that if no one steps up to be the Fall Ball chair next year there will be no Fall Ball.

Travel Teams (Rich Scott/Craig MacIntyre):

Travel Contract-still needs to be signed!!

- U14 Team: they are off for the month of November except for the pitchers which are pitching on Mondays at Strayer on Monday nights. They ended the fall playing 21 games. Their record was 13-7-1. They will begin practices Mondays in December at the Freshman Center and Saturdays in January at the Strike Zone.
- U16-practicing Tuesdays at the Freshman Center. They played 15 games this fall and have 12 players rostered with 2 pitchers.

Coat Drive:

- the middle schools helped collect coats and the Red Cross wrote letters of thanks to the letters. Ray will frame the letters and deliver them to the schools.
- Ray and Bill drove the coats up and took pictures. The pictures are on the website.
- Pete will get a copy of the letter of thanks and add that to the website.

Winterizing Vet Park:

- Bill started on fields 5&6 on 11/6/11.
- 20-25 people showed up to help close the park. All the people were from travel teams. Bill would like to try and get more Rec league support for next year.
- It was a very nice day and the park was closed before noon.

Pitching Lessons/Gym Space:

- We have 3 pitching coaches on Monday nights. (Donna, Vanessa, Mike) They are using Strayer on Monday nights.
- RASA needs a copy of all the coaches insurance policies and Little league background clearances
- It was decided that if any outside girls are taking pitching lessons that the coach will make a \$25 per hour donation to RASA for use of the gym space.
- We will begin to have Milford space for Sunday Select in December. If we do not need the space we need to let Maureen Montoney at the district know. Bill will contact Heidi to see if she is interested in coaching Sunday Select.

IV. New Business:

***Tournament Dates:**

Stacie had a preliminary list of dates to give the Township. Bill will send Stacie the list of dates that Sylvia emailed him for the 2012 season. It was suggested that maybe we could fill in the empty dates in the summer with Pony Baseball Tournaments. The Pony contact is Jeff Buckholtz.

***Time Line:**

Stacie and Pete are working on a time line for 2012 and a task time-line for RASA in general. It was noted that the U14 VIGS usually end with the Rec League and U18 VIGS end about 2 weeks later.

***Year End Duties:**

Paul Hetrick will reserve the Township building for the January and February meetings.

Ray Fox will take the AED home and store it for the winter. He will also contact Mr. Mitchell to ask him to fill the topfill on the fields.

Bill will contact the Township to make sure Vet Park gets winterized.

***Bathrooms (Ray Fox):** Bill talked to John and the other Venom parent that is an engineer and they said they would gladly help draw up the plans needed. Bill needs to sit down with them. Since Vet Park is Township owned it maybe necessary to get ADA approval. A cost analysis will have to be done.

***NFCA (Roy Godard):**

NFCA stands for National Fastpitch Coach Association. It has Division I-III college coaches and High School coaches as members. It has over 1 million members and it cost approximately \$40-\$50 per member. It is run by the Div I coaches and they help set the rules for NCAA. NFCA also helps the Woman's College World Series, appoint the Olympic coaches. They protect their own and have insurance for all of their coaches. There is a convention once a year. If you help the NFCA they help your girls. The website is NFCA.org . They have national camps and tournaments that they endorse. Two years ago TNT started the process to get a NFCA endorsed camp at RASA. It was a long vetting process and NFCA checked out TNT and RASA (they went back

over 12 years) TNT has been approved for the 1st endorsed camp and tournament on the East coast. It will be 11/2 @ Vet Park. Roy handed out copies of the letter from NFCA.

***Billboards (Ray Fox):**

Ray handed out a report of all those signs that need to be renewed or followed up. Ray would like to get started on these right away. He asked everyone to look over the list to see if they could contact one or two of the businesses.

***Website postings (Pete Hall):**

Pete has been getting lots of requests to post items on the website that may not have anything to do with RASA. Photographers sending pictures with their name embossed over them for example. Pete is concerned he may set a precedence or violate photocopy laws. It was decided that only items from sponsors/donors would be accepted and posted. If a sponsor has a link than nothing will be posted since their link is already available for everyone to use.

Adjournment:

Pete Hall motioned to adjourn and Craig MacIntyre 2nd. All agreed.

Next meeting – Sunday, 12/11/11 at Veteran's Park Clubhouse