



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

January 13, 2013

Attendees

Stacie Calder
Paul Hetrick
Bob Fafard
Renee Cuce
Rich Scott

Peter Hall
Mary Jo Webb
Bill Coblentz
Kris Wilson
Matt Caputo

Brian Wilson
Ed Gall
Valerie Lopes
Beth Rice

I. Secretary's Report: Minutes from the December 16th, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Matt Caputo motioned to approve the minutes and Mary Jo Webb 2nd, all approved.

II. Treasurer's Report: The current balance includes money that Rich Ponak needs to transfer from the Woman's account to the general account. We have not received the grant check.

Mary Jo has not received the water & electric bill from the Township yet.

The Year-to-date report shows a loss. This is due to the extra loan payments, 2 years of trophies due to a billing error from the company, and one-time maintenance expenses.

All 2012 tournament fees have been received.

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

III. Old Business:

Registration:

- Currently we have 5 Tball, 7 Rookies, 24 Minors, 13 Majors, 6 U14 VIGS. The spike in Minors is due to the U10 Sunday Select try-outs, the girls need to be registered before they are allowed to try-out for the team.
- Stacie had the flyer approved by the district and placed on the Community Bullentin Board in the beginning of December, the copies were distributed to the schools the first week of January. Valerie Lopes will get a headcount from St Isidore's to send home flyers with the CCD students. Stacie will make copies once we have a number. Pete Hall suggested sending flyers home with the LifeSpan kids in the afterschool programs. Bob Fafard gave Stacie Calder a contact in LifeSpan to follow up on this suggestion.
- Open Clinics-the district took away the 1/18 date so there will not be a clinic that day. The U16's will lead the 1/25 and 2/8 clinics and TNT will lead the 2/15 clinic. There is no clinic 2/1.
- There is a walk-in registration at the High School the 1/23/13 from 6-8. The final walk-in registration will be at the Dairy Queen 2/9 from 10-2.

Picture Vendor:

- Due to the past years' problems with the group photos Renee Cuce has been asked to look for a new picture vendor. She will do research and present a new photographer at the next meeting.

Billboards:

- Paul Hetrick would like to have an email blast sent out requesting volunteers to form a committee for billboard sales. Once the committee is formed they will develop a plan to present to the board about offering a discount on registration to anyone that brings in a billboard contract.

Fencing:

- Bill will check the crush bars on the dugouts to make sure they have been replaces/repaired.

- The fixed gates will be repaired. RASA will need to paint the permanent closures a neon color for safety.
- The backstops have been fixed to stop the bowing. A new bar was added to the lower portion to reinforce the fencing.
- The bullpens will need to be fixed in 2014. There is a heavier gage fence that can be added to stop the bowing and take the abuse of constant pitching.

Clay Bricks:

- Bob Fafard is investigating this further. He has been in contact with the people at Memorial Park in Quakertown.
- This area will need to be tarped and kept wet at all times. This would add to the maintenance of the park.
- Once we have more concrete numbers we may be able to put this on the schedule for 2014.

PSAC:

- The College Playoffs will take place 4/30-5/3 and we will receive a per day rental fee. RASA will be responsible for all tickets and will split the admission fees 50/50 with PSAC.

IV. New Business:

***Team Sponsors:** Renee Cuce will drop off the letters to potential sponsors this week. She will give them a deadline of February 20th so she can get a final list of team sponsors to Kris Wilson by March 8th for the printers.

***Important Dates Calendar:** The calendar was reviewed.

***Uniforms:** Kris Wilson is the new chair and asked for a budget and what companies we have used in the past.

***PCA-**Bob Fafard has been working with the Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) to try and get some coaching clinics for RASA and the other local sports. Bob will have the representative attend the next meeting to explain what they can do for us and any costs associated with the programs.

***USSSA World Series:** Jeff Kittle has been awarded a portion of the USSSA World Series and he will need to use Vet Park 7/22-7/28. This will require a lot of volunteers from RASA. A meeting will be held in the future to start the planning.

QHS Senior Night: The HS Senior Night will be Monday May 13th. It will be a night game at Vet Park. It was suggested that will notify the press to cover the game.

Adjournment:

Pete Hall motioned to adjourn and Mary Jo Webb 2nd. All agreed.

Next meeting – Sunday, 2/10/13 General Board RASA meeting 7pm at Township Building