

Washington Township Parks & Recreation

SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of November 2, 2011 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by John Daly, President, at 7:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United State of America was recited.

SAB members in attendance:

John Daly, President
Shawn Kraemer
Rich Silvesti, Vice President
Steve Turdo
Steve Vitola

SAB Liaison: Scott Newman

Sport Board members in attendance:

Baseball – Trish Chelston and Al Piccoli
Basketball – Greg Eliason
Cheerleading – Carolyn Webster
Field Hockey – Cindy Ferraino, Charlie Muracco and Mary Lou Spencer
Lacrosse – Randy Cross and Roe Raspanti
Soccer – Kevin O’Neill
Track and Field – Kevin Kershaw
Wrestling – Chris Bechler

Minutes of the October 5, 2011 meeting:

Shawn Kraemer moved to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2011 meeting. The motion received a second and was approved.

LACROSSE:

- Registration for the 2012 Lacrosse program will be held in December and January at the Senior Center.
- The Lacrosse board is requesting a \$25.00 fee increase for the boys bringing the fee to \$175.00. The reason for the increase is so that everyone is registered with the US Lacrosse League. In the past, the board relied on the parents to pay this registration fee to the US Lacrosse League. Some did and some did not. It is a mandatory registration for each Lacrosse player. SAB requested a breakdown of the registration fee to justify charging \$175.00 per boy to register before they vote.
- There are no changes to the 2011 bylaws.
- Opened MBM Fundraiser online for Spirit Wear sales.
- Port-a-pots have been ordered for the 2012 season.

SOCCER:

- The intramural teams have started playoffs. Travel teams will finish up the first weekend in December.
- The coach of a U-10 team playing against Pittsgrove had to remove his team from the playing field for his players’ safety.

-The building at the County House Complex was broken into and ransacked. Fundraiser candy boxes were taken. The police caught those responsible for the break in and charges were filed.

SOFTBALL: No one from this board was in attendance.

TRACK AND FIELD:

-In person registration will take place at the Senior Center during January and February with walk in registration at Parks and Recreation the week of February 27 to March 1, 2012.

-The permit to install the netting at the WTHS was received on Monday. On November 17, the poles will be put in the ground. It should not be more than a 2 day project. The net will not stay up during the winter.

-The board is working on a fundraiser.

JUNIOR WRESTLING:

-Online registration has been closed down. The Parks and Recreation Office is now accepting late registrations.

-Wrestling is waiting for delivery of a new mat.

-Wrestling will open the CAC after Thanksgiving to start practicing.

-Second reading of bylaws

Steve Vitola moved to approve the Wrestling bylaws as presented. The motion received a second and was approved.

-The vents at the CAC were cleaned and new ceiling tiles replaced the bad ones.

BASEBALL:

-Only change to the bylaws is to have 15 players per team on Sanctioned District/Tournament Teams instead of 12.

-Fundraisers that are done by the individual travel teams need only have the Baseball Advisory Board's approval. Each child should receive a portion to help pay their expenses. All the money raised must be spent in the season it is raised.

-Program wide fundraisers must be approved by the SAB. The money raised is reported in the financial statements reviewed by the SAB.

-Tryouts for the spring program were finished in October. They only had one problem. One coach left as his child made the A team and wanted to play on the B team. This is not allowed under Baseball's bylaws. The coach took the B team to another league. Also, the Baseball bylaws state that if a child quits the program, he cannot come back for a year. If a coach quits the program, he is never allowed to return. He took 11 players with him.

BASKETBALL:

-Registration ended October 15th. Those registering after that date go on a Waiting List until they can be placed. The number of registrants, 1800, is the same as last year.

-Coaches were approved by an email vote of the SAB.

-Travel team tryouts were held with no complaints. The travel teams will start practicing next week.

-Drafts for the intramural teams will take place November 14-17 at the Senior Center for 13 and under teams. The 14 and over teams will draft the week of December 5th after the high school drafts are done.

CHEERLEADING:

-The program is having a successful year.

-This year the South Jersey Elite mandates Football Cheerleading squads enter the competition. Practices will take place at the Community Activity Center, WTHS and Grenloch Community Center.

-Six (6) board positions will be up this year. Advertising will be done through Parks and Recreation.

-Storage has become an issue for their mats.

FIELD HOCKEY:

This board will present information to SAB during their Closed Session.

FOOTBALL – No one from this board was in attendance.

Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.

Mary Schneider, Secretary