



South Fayette Township Youth Football Association

Sunday, February 9, 2020

Board Meeting Agenda

Members: Mike Ludwig (President), Shawn Lamonde (Vice President), Candace Ankrum (Treasurer), Barbara Earley (Secretary), Eric Makar (League Representative), Gregg Earley (Football Director), Jennifer Bostian (Fundraising Coordinator), Bruce Bostian (Registration and Rosters), Tim Mantick (Webmaster), _____ (Concessions)

President:

- Coach Rossi's Spring Flag League: Coach Rossi is looking into a Spring flag league that would run for grades K-12. Steelers may provide equipment. Registration could run through the SFTYFA Blue Sombrero. Cost and revenue will have to be discussed. Details to come.
- Schedule Corn-hole Tourney for Saturday: We will schedule the Fairview Pavilion for Saturday this year and reserve Sunday as a rain date.
- Discuss Amended Volunteer requirements: Practice slots filled up quickly, leaving us short staffed at games. It is a concessions year for Football, and we have no concessions board member. Reducing the number of days the snack shack at Fairview is open will reduce our need for help at Fairview. We agreed 2 game slots and 1 practice slot is a reasonable request for help. We will cash checks this year for families that do not meet their volunteer requirement. Volunteer checks will be \$150 this year.

Vice President:

- Discuss Head Coach for 7th Grade Division: Typically, we name head coaches in June, after registration has closed and interest is expressed. We agreed on naming a coach earlier in the year for the 7th grade team in the Parkway league. We prefer the coach not be the parent of a 7th grade player on the team. The Parkway League has different rules and set-up that takes time to become more familiar with. Also, there are meetings that take place monthly that the chosen head coach would be required to attend. It is the board's goal to name this coach by the April Association meeting. We will send out notice on Blue Sombrero email for anyone interested to contact the board with their nominations by the March 1st Association meeting.
- Vice President will handle Flag this year. Board will assist when and where necessary.

Treasurer:

- Letter from Board to Bank: Since our treasurer is new, the Board signed a letter giving Candace full access to our account.
- Currently 1 signer: It will remain 1 signer since the bank would only require another letter signed by the board to switch signers again.
- Account Funds: We currently have \$7,500. This amount is less than last year, but we have no outstanding light bill. We also have a trophy refund coming to us in the amount of 2,700. This puts us at a very similar financial point as last year.
- Yearbook refund: Candace is handling the refund of a Cheerleader that did not receive her yearbook.

- Budget: Candace has requested each board member provide her with an estimate of expenditures so that she can get an idea of what to budget.
- Ostrowski Fund Check: Last year's collection for the Ostrowski fund was paid to the fund via check that was not cashed. We will check with the family to ensure that they receive the funds collected.

Secretary:

- Concussion Baseline Testing email: email sent to Tim to push out onto our website. Not mandatory.
- Elite Flag Football email: Since we are waiting for details regarding Coach Rossi's Spring Flag League, we will pass on pushing this out to families.
- Registration Queries: Questions that cannot be answered by the secretary will be forwarded to Bruce and Eric for their assistance.
- Dates to Remember: Registration will begin mid-March. No other dates have been set.
- Email from Anthony Lee on Volunteer coaching: Mr. Lee has been welcomed to attend the March 1st Association meeting to bring his question to the Board.
- Meeting notices will be worded "of the association," not the board. We want to make sure families know that all are welcome, not just the Board members.

League Representative:

- Discuss parkway League: There is a Parkway League meeting this week. Eric will provide updates after that meeting.
- TJ has another year of probation. South Hills league expects the townships to press their associations for fair splitting of teams. Teams that are found to have unfairly split will have both teams eliminated from playoffs.

Football Director:

- Helmets: 70 helmets are out for reconditioning at a cost of \$3,700. They are due back by early June. The purchase of new helmets will depend on 7th grade registration.
- Shoulder Pads: 20 new pads (80-100 lb.) will be ordered at a cost of \$860. The purchase of 10-20 more will depend on registration numbers prior to the beginning of the season.
- Seventh Grade Jerseys: Design was approved by board. Kids keep their jerseys. Timeframe will be determined to have jerseys back in time for season. Those with timely registration will be able to request preferred numbers (and provide 2nd choice in the event of conflict).
- Hip/Knee/Thigh Pads: We will keep and issue knee and thigh pads. Girdles, hip pads, and tailbone pads will no longer be issued. Many players use integrated shorts or pants. These must now be provided by players' families.
- Shed Reorganization: Shed reorganization will be scheduled in late February.

Fundraising Coordinator:

- Fundraising Ideas:
 - Roosters Guest Bartend made the SFTYFA over \$1,500 las year. We are checking for availability March 28th to do this fundraiser again. Entrance would be \$10 per person with 2 drink tickets given. 50/50 and Chinese baskets will be used to raise further funds.
 - March Madness Poll, automated via website that can be sent via Blue Sombrero contacts, pays out pre-determined percentage of entry fees.

- Sign Fundraiser for players' families to place in their yards, with player name and/or number
- Cornhole Tournament: 64 teams max: Last year this fundraiser was on Sunday and there were 50 teams. Saturday would be a better day to hold this fundraiser, with Sunday reserved as well for a potential rain date. 64 teams max with 4-8 additional boards. This event should be in early August and will be planned around the Green-White game. Dates will be posted on our website.

Registration and Rosters:

- Discuss registration: The Board agreed that registrations fees will be increased from \$120 per player to \$150 per player, with a max family registration limit at \$275. Flag registration will increase from \$95 to \$100. The board is considering payment plans, automatic debit, and Venmo to offer families.
- Passing Camps: Conditioning work prior to the season was discussed. The opportunity for more reps would benefit all interested players. If a "play" is not run, then this is allowable in our league. Place, date, time to be further discussed.

Webmaster:

- Will upload concussion baseline testing link as well as minutes from this meeting.

Concessions:

- Concessions Board Position Vacancy: Due to this vacancy, discussion included offerings at Fairview and the stadium being kept light. Fairview could be reduced to drinks, chips, and candy. Stadium offerings could be purchased and packaged items from local businesses, as well as drinks, chips, and candy.
- Fairview Snack Shack: With a potential food truck on Wednesdays and Thursday snack night, Tuesdays could be the only night for light snacks to be offered

Past Tabled Items:

Tabled for Next Meeting:

- Consistent Clock Volunteer / Training

Next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 1st at 6:30 pm at Tap That on Millers Run Road.