

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION MINUTES

January 19, 2004

President Tom Gruver called the meeting to order with 3 board members and 15 members present.

Treasurer's report- No Report.

Minutes Report- Motion to approve made by Phyllis Naiden and seconded by Fran Tone. Motion carried.

Comments from the Floor:

- Fran Tone has offered his help for the athletic association on the Township's 250th anniversary committee. The celebration will take place in August, 2004. The township manager requested that sporting events not take place the week before and the week after the event.

Phyllis Naiden was approached by Lisa Kerr to start a girls field hockey program for grades 3 through 6 in the township. She will ask Lisa to attend the February meeting.

Township resident Josh Pail would like to enroll his 4 1/2 year old daughter in soccer. Age 5 is the starting age in Forks. We referred him to the YMCA.

Correspondence:

- None.

Commissioners:

Baseball (Mike Farrell)

- Mike Farrell has contacted different sporting goods for equipment prices. He will be having a raffle fund-raiser to raise money for new helmets. The raffle will be for a TV or a computer. He will be attending a supervisors meeting in the near future to discuss the indoor batting cage. There will be no paid umpires for the 7 and 8 year old level. He will use 13-15 year olds to umpire the bases at the 9 and 10 year old level. He will host a clinic to train those who are interested. Forks will remain in the Little League for one more year.

Basketball (Don Miller)

- Don Miller reported that the season is going well. The season is 1/3 over and it will

end in March. There are 140 children participating in the instructional league.

Soccer (Cary Salkin & Jon Seckinger)

- Jon Seckinger reported that spring sign ups will take place on Feb 21st. They will send out postcards to advertise the sign ups. He asked about storage for equipment in the new gym addition. Don Miller answered that Alex Gayle will be working on this over the next 2 weeks, and that all sports equipment will be stored there.

Cheerleading (Billie Weiss)

- None.

Wrestling (Mark Hammerstone)

- Mark Hammerstone reported that the season ended this past Sunday. Forks finished in 2nd place (7-1). Over the next 3 weeks, Forks will participate in tournaments. The new wrestling room worked out well. .

Softball (Bob Schaming)

- Jan 25th is the next league meeting.

Football (Fran Tone)

- Fran Tone reported that there has been discussion in the league that the city of Easton Football team may join it. Forks will sponsor Easton to join the league. Shoulder pads were sent to a circle system for reconditioning. He will be sending an order to Bethlehem Sporting Goods soon.

Lacrosse (Tom Ellison)

- 2nd season this spring. Grades 3 thru 6th (some 7th) participate. There is no non-resident fee because we are the only township to offer this program. .

Committees:

Snack Bars (Wayne Hultgren)

- Going well. It opened this past Saturday for the basketball games. It was opened during the wrestling matches.

Background checks (Mike Farrell)

- Forms will be available at sign ups for new coaches.

Scholarship (Tom Gruver)

- The forms will be sent out within 6 weeks.

Website (Mike Farrell and Jim Mazurowski)

- Send updates to Mike Farrell at mjf1960@yahoo.com.

Awards Committee: (Tom Gruver)

- No report.

Registrations (Phyllis Naiden)

- Phyllis Naiden reported that we need a space for Lacrosse on the spring sign up sheet. Signs are posted around the township. Spring sign ups start this weekend, Jan. 31st from 9 to 12 at the community center.

Recreation Board

- No report.

Dance (Wayne Hultgren)

- The January dance went well. 283 children attended the Friday night dance, and 231 attended Saturday night's. There were no problems during the dance. 14 children were at the center until 10:50 p.m.

Old Business :

- Mike Andreano would like to coach baseball.

New Business :

- Mike Farrell made a motion to change the bylaw: Article XIV- Commissioners Now reads- Section I. Must be a resident of Forks Township, eighteen years old or older and an active class member.

TO: Must be a resident or have a child who is a resident of Forks Township, eighteen years old or older and an active class member.

Ron Barry seconded the motion.

Mike Farrell made another motion to change the bylaw: Article VII- Officers and Their elections Section 1 officers c. (now reads) The privilege of holding office shall be limited to active class members who are residents of Forks Township, PA and whose dues are not in arrears.

TO: The privilege of holding office shall be limited to active class members who are residents or whose children are residents of Forks Township, PA and whose dues are not in arrears.

Ron Barry seconded the motion.

Mike Farrell made a motion to have committees for the Golf Tournament, Yankees Trip, Mets trip, etc. Any volunteers?

Motion to adjourn made by Mark Hammerstone and seconded by Fran Tone.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Ziegenhorn.