

Minutes

April 18, 2005

Tom Gruver called the meeting to order with 4 board members present and 14 members present.

Treasurers Report- Motion to approve made by Fran Tone, seconded by Phyllis Naiden. Motion carried

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Motion carried

Correspondence-

1. We received a request from the Easton Post Prom Committee for a donation. Fran Tone made a motion to donate \$200. Phyllis Naiden seconded it.

Motion passed.

2. Easton High School Wrestling team requested a donation for their golf outing. Carl Scerbo made a motion. Steve Semanek seconded it. Motion passed.

3. We received 7 requests to sponser Forks teams in the summer basketball league at \$475 per team. The request was denied because we do not sponser Fall baseball or Spring soccer.

Comments from the Floor:

1. Mark Mulrine asked about the youth umpires. Last season, his son was harassed by parents at baseball games. Chris Ringel responded that he is aware of the problems and he will go over them at his umpire clinic for the young umpires. He stressed that the adult coach should keep the crowd under control but that the umpire can call the game if he feels it is getting out of control. Chris wants to be told about any problems this season.

2. Carl Scerbo requested that the football equipment in the garage be moved so that the baseball coaches can get to the pitching machines easier. Fran Tone said that he will do it.

3. Rick Hartranft requested addresses of 30 basketball players who did not return their uniforms. Jerry will get them for him.

SPORTS

Baseball- Chris Ringel reported that the season is under way. The 7&8's, 9&10's, and 11&12's will start games next week. Every team is practicing. There are 350 children in the program. The Babe Ruth and Legion teams will start their games in May. The Dance went well. There were 25 chaperones each night. Meetings for the 4th of July tournament have begun. He has received a lot of requests from out of town teams. He spoke to Alex Banas about non residents in the baseball program.

He has 15 non residents who signed up before the March meeting. Carl Scerbo asked if there were any from Phillipsburg, N.J.? There are and he feels this is not right because they do not pay taxes in PA. Kerry Nemeth said that he and his wife were upset about the P'burg players. A 13 yr old from P'burg is playing on a team that maybe a Fork's 12 yr.old player could be on. He requested a release for his 12 yr. old son so he could play on another area team at the 13 yr. old level His request was denied because of the fact that he would be competing against Fork's teams.

Cheering- No report. Colleen will e-mail Billie about the try-out dates because they will interfere with softball games.

Football- Fran Tone reported that Tim Peters will be at signups on May 7th since he will be out of town. He will attend signups on the 14th and the 21st. Any sign ups after this date will be told to contact Fran. He may want to meet with the board about a problem if a certain player signs up. Practices are set to start on August 9th. Uniform handouts will be on August 2, 3, and 4th.

Soccer- Steve Semanek reported that spring soccer is in its second weekend. He will bring a list of all non residents to the Rec board. Fall signups are set for May 7th, 14th and late-21st. Tryouts will take place after this.

Wrestling- Joe Veres reported (by e-mail) that he is still looking for a replacement for commissioner.

Basketball- Don Miller reported that the season is over. The U-11 and U-12 girl's teams from Forks won the championship.

Lacrosse- Scott Holland reported that everything is going well. 3 games have been played and they were very close. The porto potties were delivered to the field. He needs to get a check from the rec board for referee fees. Once he gets it, he will reimburse the A.A. who had paid for them.

Softball- Leon Stull reported that uniforms and equipment have been handed out. The season opens up this weekend. He had to order T-shirts for the 9-10 yr. Olds because there were not enough of the right sizes. The A.A. purchased them. Rick H. will handle it for next season.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dance- No Report

Snack Bar- The baseball snack bar will now have a hot chocolate machine.

Registrations-Phyllis Naiden reported that Fall signups (football & soccer) will take place on May7th and the 14th. Late signups will be on May 21st. She will work on getting flyers to the schools. The flyers will state "Forks Township residents only".

Khrisna King offered some of her soccer parents who need volunteer hours to help with this. The rec board wants ALL NON RESIDENTS (even if they have played in the township before) to come to a rec board meeting to get an o.k. to play in the township. Dan Maryak suggested that we have everyone fill out forms- this way the computer files can be updated. He will have 2 forms. One for residents and one for non residents. The non residents will take their form to the rec board meeting to get an o.k. to play in the township. They will pay only when the rec board gives them permission to play here. The registration committee will meet soon about changing signups in the future.

Scholarship- Colleen Ziegenhorn reported that the committee (Nancy Bonafonti, Debbi Hultgren, Maureen Martyak, Fran Tone and Colleen Z.) met on April 7th. To review applications. Dan Martyak provided the score sheets. The following students won- from Easton High School- Melissa Heisel (\$1000), Mark Chando (\$500), Alyssa Miller (\$500), Cheryl Matuzek(\$500). From NotreDame High School- Brian Kavkac (\$1000) and Eric Fashano-

Soltis(\$500). Each winner was notified by phone - they will also receive a letter. We would like to bring back the scholarship dinner. It would take place in June. Tom Gruver gave the o.k. Colleen will call for reservations.

Colleen will e-mail the newspapers the winner list closer to the graduation dates.

Background Checks- Ron Barry has it under control.

Rec Board- Kemie Heckman requested a check from the 2004 non-resident fees.

Jerry S. will get it ready. Carl Scerbo wants baseball and softball coaches to let their players know that it is not o.k. to throw balls against the garage door- it is causing damage. He would also like the combo to the snack bar changed- kids have been getting in. See registrations for more information.

Old Business:

1. Don Miller is waiting for a call back from the person who made the original trophy cases.
2. Jerry Stefanelli is working on getting the tax exempt certificate.

New Business

1. Jerry Stefanelli asked if we would like to have a Halloween FTAA fund raiser. He would have to book the Eagles club now. Steve Semanek made a motion to reserve the Eagles for this. Scott Holland seconded it. Motion passed.
2. Mark Mulrine asked if we could have off season batting cages on the seconded floor of the community center. The second floor is slated for storage only so his request was denied.
3. Steve Semanek has parents who are willing to donate materials, equipment and time to fix the conditions of the soccer fields. Tom Gruver would like to have portable football field goals. Both were told to go to the township supervisors with their requests.

4. Dan Martyak wants the winter sports volunteer list to be handed in to Phyllis.

Colleen will e-mail Joe Veres with this request.

Motion to adjourn was made by Steve Semanek and seconded by John Wieller.

Respectfully Submitted,

Colleen Ziegenhorn