

1/ 22 WYFC Board Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Deb Norton, Clare Connell, KC Smith, Jim Cooney, Bob Conrad, Tim Sullivan, Hugh Deery, Jen Fraone

Trivia Night:

-Bob Lederman from Walpole Rebels Boosters presented a request for WYFL to support the high school boosters "Trivia night".

-He requested we open our membership to the invite list, with the intention of increasing their attendance. In turn for WYFL support, the high school boosters will take steps to increase interaction between the youth and high school players (attend practices and games, workouts, etc), and also support WYFL in our fundraising efforts.

- Unanimous vote in favor of supporting this cause

- KC Smith will get a blurb/announcement from Bob when the trivia night is planned and WYFL will forward a blast email out to our membership.

Board Positions:

- This meeting was to discuss Presidential duties for the upcoming year.

- Unanimous attending board vote for Jim Cooney to be President of WYFC for the 2014 season

- Bob Conrad will accept "joint" registrar duties with other board members (Jim, Tim, Hugh) to fulfill the duties of the registrar – Bob will maintain voting rights on the board under the registrars position.

- KC Smith indicated that he would like to take the role of "High School Liason"

- At the next meeting we will vote on reinstating the liason position as a voting member position.

- Jim Cooney will contact Sean Famiglietti about taking on the Vice President position.

- Jim and Bob will both attend the January 29th League meeting and bring back notes to the board in February.

Volunteering:

-Sign up genius" will be used this year and will hold everyone accountable to this requirement – this can be discussed at the next meeting.

Meeting Minutes:

-It was requested that all board meeting minutes and league meeting notes be input into the "coaches corner" (private access)of the website, for all board and coaching members access.

Cori's and Fees:

-The National CORI certs, and fees/responsibility, were briefly discussed – Jim will compile more information on this after the league meeting and get back to the board.

Safety Concerns:

-Discussed that the league is experiencing dropping numbers, Walpole has sustained, (aside from the incoming A team), which will need to boost membership, but a concentrated effort on the part of the board and coaches needs to be conveyed to the community that player safety is at the forefront of our mission.

-Coaches MUST take the concussion awareness training, per league rules, and use most recent “best management practices” in running demonstrations, drills, practices to insure players are being taught proper tackling techniques and ergonomics with safety in mind.

- Discussed that a blurb to this subject be placed on the main page of the website to provide registrants with our intentions and provide a contact (email) to answer any questions a registrant may have.

- Discussed that an informational night might be beneficial for younger and incoming registrants and having a trainer present would benefit this.

Board Decisions/Votes

-Discussed and decided these must be adhered to and enforced. This applies to the board, board members, coaches etc.

-Needs to be understood by all , that anyone not complying with WYFL protocol and board decisions, is subject to dismissal.

-This will be revisited and a formal process to hold accountability needs to be developed and implemented.

Scholarships & Opt Out Fees

-Discussed the direction of establishing deadlines on both of these so that they could all be discussed prior to the season commencement.

Helmets:

-Picked up on Friday morning to ship out for reconditioning.

Next Board Meeting – February 4th 7:30pm at Conrads