



Riverside Youth Football League

Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Thursday January 5, 2017

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Kevin Weirich's Residence – Concord, OH

In Attendance: Board Members: Kevin Weirich, Matt Snyder, Todd Soppitt, Adam Davis, and Art Moore

Adam Davis – (Treasurer) - Items for Discussion

- Ordered AED but it is on backorder with USA Football. Have not been charged yet.
- Amazon Smile Program – Adam to send out details. Todd to send out via email and Facebook.

Todd Soppitt – (Secretary) - Items for Discussion

- Registration Fees – Do we increase registration fees for this year? How do we get more volunteers? What incentives can we create to encourage more involvement? We have been at \$150 for 5 years. Should we raise to \$165? We can't give money back for volunteering.

Matt Snyder – (Football Operations) - Items for Discussion

- Sponsors – We need to get sponsors. We did not get any money for corporate sponsorship this year.
- Picnic Area – Kevin has a kid who will do for eagle scouts project.

Art Moore – (Vice President) – Items for Discussion

- Discussed Division Commissioner concept. Each division would have a commissioner. If issues came up then they would be the point person to handle instead of having to seek out a board member. Gets more people involved in league. 1 Year term.. Introduces more volunteers to league and possibility of wanted to get involved at the board level later and longer term. Oversees conditioning, draft for division, parent issues, coach's issues before it goes to the board. It would help in getting the board members more exposure to parents. They can come to board meetings. Have a voice in the meeting but not vote. Should we invite or appoint? Art to send roles and responsibilities to Todd. Todd will send second email separately from Board Elections out through website and Facebook.
- Should we create a new Marketing Director role? Position would handle recruitment of board members. Handle getting advertising out for registration. Charge of handling pre-season clinics such as try before you buy concepts. Handle pre-season discussions with parents on concussions as well as what it takes to make a league successful.
- If we do get a new Concession Manager that should be a board position. All board members agreed.

Kevin Weirich – (President) - Items for Discussion

- Talked to Brian Elly and Billy Mackey on Golf Outing. Both on board. Looking for late June or early July before season starts. Need to advertise and get hole sponsors. Kevin has kept all the signs from the past.
- Missing some equipment still and need to revisit with families.
- Shooting for date for Social in September. Friday's we get better price. Elk's club? Wrestling is doing their fundraiser there.
- Elections – Art is running again for VP. Adam not running again for Treasurer. No one has indicated any interest. Justin Bruno maybe interested in handling Football Operations if Matt moved over to treasurer. Todd to send email out to find interest. Deadline to submit is January 31st. Kevin has spoken to Joe Putney about potential for an existing board member to run for a position that is open on the board and then board would fill new vacant position. No one on board had an issue with doing in current election if no one outside board shows interest. Shooting for elections to be on Feb 26th.
- Equipment Status – 61 Helmets expired this year (2007 issue date). Leaves us with roughly 250. Doug from Riddell is going to send us Trophy Stickers which go on the back of the helmet and states that the helmet is no longer usable for play and are for display purposes only. We can use for whatever we want. For old pants we can pursue giving them to an organization who is need such as East Cleveland Rec. Can we write-off? Adam to talk to Sharon to see if we can write off as a donation.
- New idea for Spirit Wear. We can have a 3 part form. 1 handed to customer. 1 gets turned in if it's special order and needs to be made. 1 stays in concession stand. Collect fees on specific day of week. Form will be handed to vendor. Product will come back with form on it with the persons information on it, for ex. Name, phone, logo desired, design desired, etc. Forms won't cost much. Next phase would be to have on website. Todd and Kevin need to get together to go over. Need to get rid of old logos and narrow down to 4 or 5 logos and incorporate into the store on website.
- Kevin meeting with Bors on Turf with possible move of Riverhawks to HS. Kevin has bill from fertilizing company for Lamuth. Cost's \$500. Should we pay.. All agreed to pay. Gift to HS this year would be new practice fields if Turf is approved and we can play there. We will need to work out details on Shed.. Yard Markers.. 10 Yard Sticks, Concession Stand, Etc.
- Need to clean Equipment. Helmets need cleaned. Shoulder pads need cleaned. Need Hot Air Gun. Need solvent to remove stickers and paint.

New Items for discussion:

- Any interest in new socks? Should we do black?
- Integrated pants design and color?
- Jersey type, color and design?
- Equipment Purchase – Circle Tackling Dummies. \$500 a piece
- Coaches will need certification on Sudden Cardiac Arrest this year. House Bill 252.
- Duane will remain president of GLYFL.
- Mentor Football will be joining Cardinal Youth Football
- Need to increase enrollment from Painesville City schools
- Need to review, enhance and update the Bylaws based on GLYFL rules, practicing off-premises, scrimmaging out of league teams, etc.
- Need to go over pre-season clinics for parents, kids try before you buy, etc.