

Meeting Minutes, February 17, 2015

Team: UMYA Board	Date: February 17, 2015
Facilitator: Matt Skekel	Start Time: 7:00pm
Minute Taker: Paula Fehlinger	End Time: 9:47PM
	Location: Upper Milford Township Building
Members Present:	Matt Skekel, Matt Mory, Liz Vogel, Lisa Amey, Jason Boulrice, Harry Marangos, Kathy Nowroozani, Barry Williams, Paula Fehlinger
Members Absent:	Guest: Les Schoenberger
Members Absent:	Mike Naratil, Todd Reinert, Rob Mutchler, Roxann Betz, Randy Faurl,
Notes from Meeting	
Annual Board Minutes and January 2015 board minutes were reviewed.	
Harry made motion to approve minutes; Liz seconds – all in favor	
Old Business:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Township Funds/Scoreboard Purchase – Barry was supposed to pick it up Sunday but the weather conditions made it impossible; Lenape was drifted shut and township was off yesterday; the scoreboard is from Plains Little League in 2012 – that Little League Baseball requires a pitch count and they needed a scoreboard that has a pitch tracker so they were selling the board that we purchased. Barry was told it is about 7 years old. We need to pick it up. Township contacted Barry about posts to install it; they will store it for us in old barn (old municipal bldg.); we need to figure out where it should be installed (probably on third baseline of Lenape—possible first baseline); March 7 will be the next date that they will attempt to pick up scoreboard - Electric for scoreboard – we are still looking for a donation; Brian Wanamaker said he will do it but Brian Amey may also be willing to help - Victory Valley went from \$45/hour to \$55/hour for practice time, and we were not notified about the price increase; Jason will talk to them; gym time at Alburtis is cheaper than gym time compared to Victory Valley – Matt M and Mike (\$30/hr) will practice at Alburtis; Matt M. may use savings for a clinic (\$300 set aside for bb and softball) \$1700 for Jasper is ok; \$500 for Lacrosse will not be used; we may be able to still do fence at Jasper; may look into more gym time at East Penn (Macungie) - Per Matt S – voting on scoreboard was 8-0 which is what we needed to reallocate the funds, Paula has count if anyone wants to see it; Matt S said you should only abstain if you have a personal interest (conflict of interest) in the vote but if you are truly against you should vote (it will not hurt anyone’s feelings); Matt M’s initial email had listed him as a vote for “no” but it was not listed as an official “no;” the vote will be amended and added to the official record as 8-1 - Jasper Baseball Field – Salem Bible School contacted Matt S. about using the baseball field for the Spring practice and the beginning games (they normally contact Barry) Matt 	

S asked Barry and Mike what he should respond. If we make changes to Jasper they will not be able to use it. They have a gym and a soccer field they will not let us use when we asked. They say it is for insurance reasons. They take care of field when using it, but they don't pay anything to use it. There is no scheduling process now since we don't use it. Matt S emailed that we were having a board meeting and will discuss it. Their home games are in March and they are done by about April 10. Then they do an away schedule so it would not impact our playing on the field. Jasper field renovations will be started when ground starts to thaw which will most likely be after their home season. Our renovations would not take long if we decide to let them use the field. We could do part of it in a weekend or possibly a day (home plate, drops). Our AA baseball could use it by May; however, the field renovations would not be fully utilized until the fall season. The renovation also depends on the township schedule; township may be busy and may not get to the field before the spring. Matt S. will let Salem know that by April 15 (or sooner) they need to be done using Jasper so our renovations can begin. Barry would like them to be told that the renovations will occur so they know that next year they will not be able to use it – Matt S already included that information in an email to them. Matt S will try to figure out what the township is willing and able to do with the renovation and a possible timeline

Executive Reports:

President – Matt

Coordinator opening –

- Chris McNellis is stepping down as Sponsorship Coordinator and Board Member due to his job schedule and traveling; now coordinators/coaches will get their own sponsors. Sponsors are still not to be part of the budget.
- Background on sponsors - sponsorship program was originally started by Wendy and she went out to get sponsors for every team; there are a lot more teams now than there used to be (with fall and spring sports); Jason pointed out that each coordinator has an invested interest in finding a sponsor to have some more money to spend or to cover shortfalls or unexpected rate changes – sponsorships would give the sport a buffer or to replace equipment or get new equipment
- Question raised as whether sponsor money stay with sport. Problems may surface if one sport gets many sponsors and another sport doesn't – a sport may have no money to spend. If money is not spent where does it go? Budget money is used first as budgeted and then sponsor money is used; sponsors are usually sport specific and they have an invested interest in a particular team.
- Discussion about what happens when a coordinator goes out and gets a sponsor and then the money goes to the general fund – will this make certain coordinators not motivated about getting coordinators because someone else is working to get them; scoreboard would offer another opportunity for sponsors; discussions about possibly eliminating sponsors; some sports organizations only allow sponsors for entire program and not sport specific; Barry said our sponsors were originally started to upgrade to an appropriate uniform so it is not just a t-shirt; Chris has not asked for any sponsors for

the spring yet; Jason will reach out to AI to see about possible scoreboard sponsor; Barry Mechanics Plus and he approached Henderschitz Auto for possible money; Matt S thinks getting a coordinator by the spring will be difficult so coordinators will do it for now

- Barry made a motion to eliminate the sponsorship coordinator position; no second to the motion
- Randy has offered to be the Field Coordinator
- We still need Snack Bar Coordinator – Matt S has a few people who may be interested – Laird & Kuhn families have expressed possible interest

Vice President –Jason

- nothing to report

Treasurer – Liz

- (report displayed on monitors)– bank account \$4908.10 as of now (Paypal basketball registration was moved over)
- Proposed budget vs. actual – those who have sent their information to Liz was shared with the group–as actuals come through Liz will log them in and show net profit/loss – Liz just needs proposed budgets before each season starts (Jason - for basketball, Liz put numbers in since she did not have proposed budget)
- Questions about proposed budget, including sponsors and how that money is accounted for in the budget – sponsorship is a bonus – we can't count on it to include for the proposed budget – what happens when one sport gets many sponsors and another sport does not? Should one sport help finance another – for example, soccer doesn't have a lot of expenses like other sports so if they don't need anything, soccer may be willing to purchase something for another sport; if one sport has extra money (general) at the end of the budget, the extra money should go into the general fund (as an organization we need to determine the amount to keep in the account at all times and then decide what is on our wish list to do with the extra money (per annual meeting notes we decided on \$5000 as a low end cut off point for the bank balance)
- Sponsors can be **noted** on proposed budget only if they are guaranteed with a check in hand (not in money section, just a note as an fyi)
- UMYA needs an annual budget done (Matt S is working on it but needs all preliminary budgets) registrations dictate what we can spend so it is difficult to do as it is a guessing game
- Kathy did not get emails regarding budget and recent minutes – will check
- Per Lisa - Paypal transfers for every sport will happen after registration period has closed and transfer will be in one lump sum (but checks will show – Lisa was concerned about people waiting for checks to clear)
- Liz reminds that all forms are available at any time – just ask if you want to see something

- Liz is waiting for new checks to arrive so she can pay for more invoices

Secretary – Paula

- Nothing to report

Coordinator Reports:

Baseball – Mike

- not present
- nothing to report

Softball – Matt M.

- nothing to report

Basketball – Jason

- everything is going well

Soccer – Matt S

- Matt S needs approval to do a Spring Swain team under UMYA (registration through UMYA but EPYSA will cover insurance – 2 UMYA players will play for Swain and for UMYA) they will also pay for family registration fee – Lisa asked how will they be differentiated through registrations - They will be not be differentiated
- Lisa asked if Matt S is a chair for NVYSL - he is still the chair as elections were changed until June - Harry is a rep there

KinderSoccer – Kathy

- nothing to report

LAX – Roxann

- not present
- Not enough kids registered at either age bracket team; need 10 for the clinic and as of now there are 3
- Barry questioned why we didn't get more registrations from Lower Mac players – per Matt S, he had some disgruntled families who expressed interested and then did not follow through when the UMYA opportunity presented itself; a few came over from Lower Mac and some were on the fence but didn't come over; Lower Mac registrations are earlier than UMYA; we will have to wait until the Fall season to see what the numbers look like

Kickball – Harry

- Registration for kickball will open end of April – Harry sent an email and updated website (first Tuesday after July 4 and go for six weeks)

- Harry had requests from parents who want to order UMYA attire – will wait until next month to see what Matt S comes up with for merchandise website

Volleyball – Todd

- not present

Registrar/Insurance – Lisa

- Paypal is around \$6200; receivables are \$20 for 2013; \$65 for 2014; \$440 for 2015
- Insurance year is coming up; Lisa should receive renewal packet directly (should not go to Matt S) usually by March 31

Sponsorship – OPEN

- Nothing to report

Equipment – Rob

- Not present

Website – Harry

- Harry put out feelers to see if Go Daddy will give us access to emails accounts for UMYA.org

Snack Bar – OPEN

- Lisa asked about clinics that are occurring at Jasper (lacrosse) - will snack bar be open there and if so what should be on drop down list. They put option for Family Fun Day help or Admin Task; Jasper snack bar needs new refrigerator and needs to be cleaned

New Business:

- Les Schoenberger was a guest at the meeting –his background includes 14 years coaching LMYA; started due to nephew playing even though he lives in Emmaus; he likes location of UMYA and proximity to his house and wanted to coach for UMYA; finished Fall season in LMYA and told them that he was done coaching for them; he would like to bring his skill set to UMYA to help with the program; he likes U12 soccer and would like to coach; he was a finalist for rec coach of the year; he has no kids in program but feels his team are his kids; he will bring about 4 players with him from LYMA to UMYA; he wants a new challenge with new kids; he feels that it is a learning experience for coach and players and they should enjoy themselves while learning good sportsmanship (per Matt S. – reminded Les that UMYA has a philosophy that is for sportsmanship first and that UMYA likes to give all kids the opportunity to play and switch positions so kids can learn more about the sport)
- Harry asked about how coaches select teams – per Matt S, he makes the teams and tries

to honor requests from parents as he can

- Set a date for Family Fun Day – Sunday June 7th
- Lincoln Festival – do we want to continue doing that as in previous years? Matt S. will help set up but does not want to man the entire time – May 28th 4-7pm – do we get anything out of it? We can advertise soccer and lacrosse (sports Emmaus does not support) and have an activity. We need volunteers. Harry volunteered to help. Maybe we can have one hour slots. Do we want to get into Macungie festival/carnival that is the week before Lincoln Festival? Are there any other community events to help us reach out to community?
- Matt S was happy about registrations and there are a lot of new names which is exciting

Liz made motion to adjourn; Jason seconds; all in favor

Meeting adjourned at 9:47pm

	Who is responsible?	Completion Date
NEED MORE SPONSORS and coordinator	All	5/19/15
990 Form for Government	Liz	4/15/2015
Print By-Laws	Liz	3/17/2015
Donation to Breast Cancer	Liz	3/17/2015
Merchandise Website – Matt S discuss with vendor to see if we can get this up and running	Matt S	3/17/2015
Spring clean up day organizing	Matt s	3/17/2015
Wish List for “Recreation Fees” received by Upper Milford Township	ALL	Ongoing
UMYA Annual budget	Matt S	3/17/2015
Follow up on field lining costs	Matt S	3/17/2015
Contact township about Jasper renovation and timeline for work	Matt S	3/17/2015
Submit proposed budget to Liz before your sport season starts	All	Ongoing
<p>Next Meeting Information</p> <p>Facilitator: Matt Skekel</p> <p>Minute Taker: Paula Fehlinger</p> <p>Date: 3/17/2015</p> <p>Start Time: 7:00 pm</p> <p>End Time:</p> <p>Location: Upper Milford Township Building</p>		