

Minutes of the SVYBA Board Meeting
Thursday, September 19, 2013

The meeting commenced at 8:05 p.m. at the Munhall Boro Building. Attendees are as follows: Bob and Danielle Daley, Tim Tichon, Buch Patton, Jim Fossick, Mike Dugan, Chris Phares, Midge, Bill Vrbin, Brian Versetti, Frank Chairizio, Terri and Bill Sabo, Tony DeMartino and Boomer.

General Information:

New acting president, Midge, held the meeting. The minutes were approved from last month's meeting.

The checking has \$6,558.81 and the savings account has \$6,592.87.

Fall ball update indicates that we have been paid by all players, with the exception of a few families that are outstanding.

Midge suggested that we do a new type of fundraiser for the spring. Instead of Charity Mania, we will have a raffle ticket that you will need to sell, 3 thickets. If all tickets are sold, potential winning of \$10,000.00. This fundraiser was approved; nobody stated they did not want to do this fundraiser.

Midge suggested that we have a Rules Committee, separate from the commissioners of the age brackets. The present rules will be looked at and revised and presented to the board for review. This committee will govern over all leagues. Bob said he wanted to be on the committee and Brian Versetti showed interested. The suggested people from Midge were Dave Harhai, Jim Ligeros, Tim Tichon and Boomer. At next meeting, we discuss in further detail and get the exact people who will be on the Rules Committee board.

Midge also suggested having an Auxiliary Committee. This committee would be in charge of bringing the fair back to Trautman. Midge has had several people who have shown interest in doing this and being on a fundraiser board. Along those lines, Bob Daley suggested that we have a softball v. baseball game and charge for the ticket.

Commissioners were assigned and approved by the board:

Instructional and T-Shirt – Chris Phares
Minor – Tony Salopek
Little League – Mike Dugan
Pony League – Tim Tichon
Colt – Tony Demartino

Winter training will start the 1st week of October. The tentative schedule is as follows:

Monday - Mike Sullivan
Tuesday – Mike Dugan (9 & 10 year olds)
Wednesday – Chris Phares (7 & 8 year olds)

Thursday – Rick Garskta (5 & 6 year olds)

Friday – Midge Woolheater (11 & 12 year olds)

Boomer indicated that Rick might only need to do every other week because he might want to put his kids on that night, every other night. Boomer also indicated that he needs a copy of the liability insurance. Boomer also indicated that the kids will have access to the weight room.

The pitching machine was discussed and the board voted on getting the pitching machine. We decided it would be around \$2,500 to \$2,600. Midge will be looking into getting prices on the machine and warranty information.

During the meeting, Chris Phares, suggested having a Fall Ball tournament at Trautman for 7 and 10 year olds. Cost would be \$50 to \$75 per team. The teams would be guaranteed 3 games. Chris said he would get the teams and there would be a limited concession stand.

Jim asked about doing something for Dave Good. Midge said that was fine and it was decided that he would receive a gift card to Long Horne for \$200.00 and a thank you card.

Question was raised by Danielle Daley regarding Mike Sullivan and Calhoun field. Midge indicated that Mike went to a council meeting in West Homestead and asked for permission to use the field and it was granted.

The issue regarding the Falcon's was discussed. Tony came with rules for the Pony League Association. Butch Patton spoke regarding what are the Falcon exactly wants to do and didn't know what was going on and that is why he attended. Bob Daley spoke to everyone and discussed what the agenda of the Falcons were and how we wanted the children to stay in the league but be their own team. There were a number of people who spoke on the issue and how it wouldn't be fair if the Falcon's did this and other teams didn't get the opportunity. Midge indicated that he is getting calls from other parents who are saying what the Falcon's want to do is not fair and they would like for their kids to stay together as well. The matter was put to a vote and there were 2 Yes and 7 No's.

New Board Members:

The following people presented their signed board member forms:

Michelle Judy (not present)

Bill Vrbín (Alex's Siranka dad, retired police officer and coaching Fall Ball Team)

Bryan Versetti (Coached for about 6 seasons)

Frank Charizzio (Son plays and currently managing a Fall Ball team)

Non board members were asked to leave and ballots were passed out to vote on the above people. During this time Bob Daley suggested that we need to have a Bylaw Committee because the rules our outdated. It was agreed that the bylaws our old and need to be revised. The bylaws will be discussed again before spring. The people that were suggested to be on the Bylaw committee were

Tony, Tim, Boomer and Terri Sabo. The rules would be reviewed and updated and then they will be sent to Bob Daley to draft new Bylaws.

During this time, Boomer said there are 2 tractors that need some work. Boomer said they need a tractor for West Field. We will use some of the money coming back from the borough to put towards fixing the tractor. Also, Boomer said we need to do something about the batting cages at Trautman. He said that someone is going to get hurt in there. Bob said we need at least 2 cages. Boomer said to tear everything down and put 2 new batting cages up, double cages, and the hitting stations need to be put the other way around to prevent the kids from getting hit.

Midge is going to talk to Dan Lloyd regarding the bathrooms at Trautman getting spruced up.

The following was the count from the ballots, tallied by Mike Dugan:

Michelle Judy – 8 yes

Bill Vrbin – 8 yes

Frank Chairizon – 8 yes

Brian Versetti 3 Yes and 5 No's

After the ballots were tallied, Danielle asked if we shouldn't give another chance for Brian and brought up what happened to Mike Dugan the previous year. Mike originally was voted no and Dave brought Mike back and we voted again and he was voted in. I was told that there were reasons behind not voting for Brian and that was that. It was indicated that we would not be bringing Brian Versetti back for a second vote.

Per Midge, meetings will take place the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Boro building. The next meeting will be on October 17th at 8:00 p.m. After October, the meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. Tim Tichon stated he would take care of getting the room at the Boro Building.