WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION
SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING: SEPTEMBER 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Dana Tucci, President, at 7:05 p.m.

SAB members in attendance:

Dana Tucci
Shawn Kraemer
Maggie Woodward
Kerri DiPietro
Brian DiLuigi
Andra Williams

Sports representatives in attendance:

Cheerleading - Jennifer Reis
Football - Mark Colligan
Lacrosse - Brian Laudenslager
Rugby - Ray McFall
Soccer - Mike Makofka
Softball - Heather Hartley and Gina Squilla
Tennis - Sydney Cella
Track and Field - Jimmy Gaskin and Ron Paglia
Wrestling - Joe Hoopes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Kerri DiPietro moved to approve the Minutes of the August 3, 2022 Meeting. Maggie Woodward seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

REPORTS OF SPORTS BOARDS:

BASEBALL: Sam Scimeca sent Denise a text with update.

- Fall Ball is starting. Opening up tonight if fields are playable.
- Tryout dates for Travel are 10/9, 10/10, 10/16, 10/17 and 10/23.
- New Member at Large, Robert Schutter, is now Megan's Law certified.

BASKETBALL: Maria Giangiulio sent Dana a text with update.

- Total number of registrations as of this morning is 314.
- Travel tryouts are the week of September 19th.
- High School basketball coaches will be rating and running the boys 6th, 7th and 8th grade teams.
- Looking to do another MBM clothing sale. Will fill out form for next meeting.
- We will be using MBM for jerseys this year. We will have to pay for these out of our booster account, then the Township will reimburse us.
- Approval of new Board Member:
  Charlie Rojas – Boys Travel Director

Shawn Kraemer moved to approve Basketball's new Board Member. Kerri DiPietro seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

CHEERLEADING:

- For Information Only:
  Three Fundraiser Requests were approved, via email, on August 22, 2022:
  Water Bottles
  Sneaker Donation/Collection
  PJ's Dine & Donate
- Outdoor practices finished up at the end of August, including the Cheer Showcase at Washington Lake Park.
- Indoor practices start this week at Hurffville.
- A pod has been placed at Hurffville again for the cheer mats.
- We plan to attend three competitions and four for the two older teams.

FIELD HOCKEY: No one present.

FOOTBALL:

- The season is in full swing. Practices began August 1st.
- We have 266 children rostered, which is an increase from years past.
- Raffle Fundraiser is going well.
- We had a very successful VET CUP weekend of August 27th and 28th.
- Many thanks to Public Works for lining the field and keeping up with the trash.
- Thanks to the WT Ambulance Association, along with all of our distinguished guests, for coming out for this community event.
- Corn Hole League starts September 12th. It will run every Monday night for six weeks. Everyone is welcome to come out and play. Cost is $120.00 per team.
- Regular season begins September 17th. We are away the first three weeks.
- Coaches List submitted for approval.

Maggie Woodward moved to approve Football's Coaches List, with the exception of John Chirico and Mike Downey, who are pending Megan's Law approval. Kerri DiPietro seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

LACROSSE:

- Off season.
- Details for registration will be discussed at next week's Board Meeting.
- Will open up registration in November.
- Approval of new Board Members:
  Brian Laudenslager – President
  Jeff Orihel – Vice President
  Jennifer Horafus – Secretary
  Michael Ritzinger – Treasurer
  Chad Flexon – Boys League Representative
  Michael Mark – Girls League Representative
  Dan Flamma – Boys Field Coordinator
  JT Skelly – Girls Field Coordinator

Kerri DiPietro moved to approve Lacrosse's new Board Members. Brian DiLuigi seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

RUGBY:

- Off season. Quiet until March 1st.
- Bylaws Revisions – First Reading
  Adding two more Board positions:
  1. Education and Equipment
  2. Fundraising

SOCCER:

- Travel and United will start this Friday night, September 9th.
- Clinic and Intramural will start this Saturday, September 10th.
- Coaches meeting is being held tonight at 8:00 in the Senior Center.
- Registration is now closed. There are approximately 1400 kids. We turned away less than ten kids on the Waiting List.
- Holding another Mite Night on October 21st at County House, for 5U, 6U and 7U. The fire and police departments will be there. We will also have a DJ.
- Coaches Lists (Clinic, Intramural, Travel and United) submitted for approval.

Shawn Kraemer moved to approve Soccer's Coaches Lists, with the exception of Mark Pennisi, Tom Houck, Daniel Kober, Christine Kuss, Mike Murray, Kristen Sorrentino and Kim Valinsky, who are pending Megan's Law approval. Kerri DiPietro seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

SOFTBALL:

- Fall Ball starts next week. There are six teams in GSA. Few players on Wait List.
  2 – 8U
  2 – 10U
  1 – 12U
  1 – 14U
- Travel Teams:
  10U Comets
  2 – 12 U Comets
  18U Titans
  14 – 16 – 18 Wildcats
- We do not have a separate 14U Wildcats team this year.
- Rosters have been sent over for Wildcats teams.
- We have four new potential Board Members.
- 16U Wildcats is holding a fundraiser, Trunk or Treat, at Washington Lake Park on October 23rd.
- Would like to do a Winter Coat/Clothing Drive.
- Gina Squilla is now the Interim Treasurer.
- Travel Coaches List submitted for approval.

Maggie Woodward moved to approve Softball's Travel Coaches List, with the exception of Susan Nelli, who is pending Megan's Law approval. Kerri DiPietro seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

TRACK & FIELD/CROSS COUNTRY:

- Cross Country is going good.
- First meet is this Saturday, September 10th.
- Meeting with the High School Track & Field Booster Club on September 15th about working together in some capacity.

WRESTLING:

- Holding a Board meeting next week. Board will be reorganizing.
- We are in closed session next month. Will get financials to Denise.
- CAC roof is leaking again in the right back corner. Worried that new mats are going to get ruined.
- Registration will be opening on October 1st.
- Coaches List will be submitted next month.
- Practices start November 14th.
- Matches start week before Christmas. Will be submitting School Usage Forms for these dates.
- Season runs through March.

CHALLENGER DIVISION: No one present.

CODE OF CONDUCT COMMITTEE: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Sydney Cella would like to start a tennis program in the Township for a spring season.
- The tennis courts at Washington Lake Park will be used.
- We will need to discuss Bylaws and registration fees.
- Township Council approved.
- Approval for Tennis to become a sport under Washington Township Parks and Recreation.

Kerri DiPietro moved to approve Tennis becoming a sport under Washington Township Parks and Recreation. Shawn Kraemer seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Shawn Kraemer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Maggie Woodward seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

CLOSED SESSION: Track & Field.

NEXT MEETING IS OCTOBER 5, 2022