WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION
SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING: JUNE 5, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Dana Tucci, President, at 7:00 p.m.

SAB members in attendance:

Dana Tucci
Jimmy Gaskin
Kerri DiPietro
Brian DiLuigi
Lisa Collins
Mike Makofka
Dan Woodington

Sports representatives in attendance:

Baseball - Sam Scimeca
Basketball - Maria Giangiulio and Paul Smith
Field Hockey - Laura Schneider
Lacrosse - Brian Laudenslager
Rugby - Kevin Collins and Dana Rosenbaum
Track & Field - Ron Paglia
Wrestling - Frank Albright

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Brian DiLuigi moved to approve the Minutes of the May 1, 2024 Meeting. Kerri DiPietro seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

REPORTS OF SPORTS BOARDS:

BASEBALL:

- Season is coming to an end.
- Championship games are this weekend and next.
- The two fundraisers, Raffle and Memorial Day Tournament, went well.

- The building that houses our electric and water panels is in dire need of repair, so the Township started work on it. They removed an overhang that was not being supported. They are supposed to remove the stairs to the second floor that was condemned, along with all the decking. They are supposed to rebuild the stairs and part of or all the decking. They are also going to repair all the missing brick work. No time frame was given to complete all these repairs.
- Problem with Young Guns Team.

BASKETBALL:

- Off season.
- Looking to open up registration on July 1st for next season.
- Bylaws – First Reading
  Lots of changes
- Approval of Board Members:
  1. Dennis Coyle – reelected as Clinic Director
  2. Ryan Jagielski – new Boys 9-12 Intramural Director
  3. Jim Hinkel – moved to Boys 13-18 Intramural Director
  4. Charlie Rojas – reelected as Boys Travel Director

Jimmy Gaskin moved to approve Basketball's Board Members. Dan Woodington seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

CHEERLEADING: No one present. Kristle sent in an update to Denise.

- For Information Only:
  Four Fundraiser Requests:
  1. Flapjacks at Applebees
  2. Blankets
  3. Playland Boardwalk Fun Bracelet Sales
  4. Snapwise

  were approved, via email, on May 8, 2024
- 217 cheerleaders registered.
- Wait List has been started at Parks & Rec. After equipment meetings, we will access uniform count and squad numbers to see if we can accommodate waitlisted cheerleaders. Wait List ends June 6th.
- Equipment meetings June 5th and 11th.
- Working on final Coaches List to send to Denise.
- Competition registration will be held in August.
- We really need a place ideally to lay our mats and keep them there, or at least where they are kept indoors and not rolled through a parking lot twice a night, four nights a week.

- We are beginning to look at new uniforms for the 2025 season and planning on several fundraisers to help raise the funds for them.
- Practices are set to begin the week of August 5th.

FIELD HOCKEY:

- Registration is up and running.
- So far we have a team for every age group.
- Summer Clinic is next week and we have 15 signed up so far.
- Fundraiser Request – Dine & Donate at Santucci's Pizza

Lisa Collins moved to approve Field Hockey's Fundraiser Request. Mike Makofka seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

FOOTBALL: No one present.

LACROSSE:

- For Information Only:
  Fundraiser Request – Dine & Donate at Scoopy's was approved, via email, on May 30, 2024.
- Season has concluded. Overall all teams did well in their respected divisions.
- Boys 7/8 grade team and Boys 5/6 grade team made it to the first round of playoffs.
- Following Board Positions are expiring in August:
  President
  VP
  Treasurer
  Girls League Rep
  Boys League Rep
  Girls Field Coordinator
  Will be looking for new volunteers if current board members want to step down.
- Hosted the first annual 8th grade boys All Star game for the entire SJ League at the high school on May 21st, which was a huge success.
- Looking to hold optional training for current players through the summer and fall depending on field and coach availability.

RUGBY:

- High school team had a great season, they beat some really good teams.
- Junior and Youth teams (PA League) had too many open weekends and there were distance issues. Have to do a better job next year with filling up weekends.
- We have one more event for our girls' middle school team. However, they are not comfortable playing boys.

SOCCER: No one present. Roger sent in an update to Denise.

- Vendor checks are still trickling in and all should be accounted for as of last week.
- The spring boys and girls intramural season has completed and we are in the process of getting referees paid.
- Ongoing - The Club may decide to renew the well at Levy Field instead of running city water due to the main size being limited, which would likely cause additional substantial expenses in running the existing irrigation at Levy.
- Two quotes have been provided - We are going to purchase 1 new set of full sided goals for WLP as requested, which would be 2 new sets in the past 2 years. The estimated cost is about $4,100, seeking approval from the SAB to make this purchase.
- Tryouts have been completed for both the United and Travel programs and rosters have been finalized.
- Tournaments and final games are being played this week for Travel soccer.
- No update – we would like to pursue providing parking lot lighting via AC Electric, which there is a proposal for about $13,000, that the program is interested in a cost share possibly with the Township.
- WTHS graduation ceremony is upcoming and the WTSA will be awarding several scholarships again.
- This coming year represents a change in the WTHS boys' soccer program as a new coach is stepping in, Ed McCusker, who trained for Washington Township United. Ed has some big shoes to fill from Shane Snyder's retirement as a coach. Ed is a graduate of WTHS so he is familiar with the tradition of the program. WTSA will support Ed and the program in any way as always.
- New season starts August 1st for all soccer.
- Approval of new Board Member:
  Ronald Myers, Jr. – Boys Intramural Director

Mike Makofka moved to approve Soccer's purchase of one new set of full sided goals for WLP. Jimmy Gaskin seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

Mike Makofka moved to approve Soccer's new Board Member. Jimmy Gaskin seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

SOFTBALL: No one present. Chris sent in an update to Denise.

- For Information Only:
  Two 6U Assistant Coaches, BJ Stelacone and Amanda Keilyk, who are now Megan's Law certified, were approved, via email, on May 10, 2024.
- In the last two weeks of the season.
- Things are starting to heat up some with parents to a degree with questioned umpire calls and nit picking of issues of why their team should be winning games, etc. Nothing out of the ordinary for this time of season.

- Fundraisers:
  Jersey Mikes D&D - $100.00 raised
  Texas Road House D&D - $150.00 raised
  Phillies Raffle not fully done - gross raised approximately $13,000 (state fees and tickets still need to be deducted)
- Playoffs start June 17/18 for 10U and older.
- Allstar Games 8U+ TBD.
- Fall Ball registration will be discussed at our next board meeting on when to open registration, either end of June or early July.
- Travel Tryouts also to be discussed at our next board meeting for dates, will happen approximately middle to late July.

TENNIS: No one present.

TRACK AND FIELD:

- Spring season is over.
- Fall Cross Country sign-ups will open up in one month.

WRESTLING:

- Off season.
- Building improvements going on.

CHALLENGER DIVISION: No one present.

CODE OF CONDUCT COMMITTEE: None.

NEW BUSINESS: 4th of July parade – get some of our sports teams to walk in the parade. Contact Lisa.

OLD BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Lisa Collins moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Jimmy Gaskin seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

CLOSED SESSION: Basketball

NEXT MEETING IS AUGUST 7, 2024
NO JULY MEETING