WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION
SPORTS ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING: MAY 1, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Dana Tucci, President, at 7:03 p.m.

SAB members in attendance:

Dana Tucci
Jimmy Gaskin
Brian DiLuigi
Lisa Collins
Mike Makofka
Dan Woodington
Council Vice-President Anthony DellaPia

Sports representatives in attendance:

Cheerleading - Kristle Christo, Heather Finn, Alicia Deamer and Kelley Gonzalez
Field Hockey - Cassie Tomczak and Laura Schneider
Football - Mark Colligan, Bob Schleicher and John McGrath
Lacrosse - Jeff DiBiaso
Soccer - Roger McLarnon
Softball - Chris Bourquin
Tennis - Kelley Gonzalez
Wrestling - Frank Albright

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Jimmy Gaskin moved to approve the Minutes of the April 3, 2024 Meeting. Dan Woodington seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

REPORTS OF SPORTS BOARDS:

BASEBALL: No one present. Sam sent Denise a text with an update.

- Season is in full swing.
- Everything is going good so far.

BASKETBALL: No one present. Maria sent Denise a text with an update.

- Off season.
- At our April board meeting, we discussed edits to Basketball's Bylaws. Will send over for First Reading at the June meeting.

CHEERLEADING:

- Registration is filling up quickly.
- Planning on closing registration early once we hit our uniform capacity of about 215.
- Will communicate with Denise when we are getting close to that number and the need to shut down registration.
- Equipment meetings are scheduled for June 5th and June 11th.
- Approval of five Fundraiser Requests:
  1. Flapjacks at Applebee's
  2. Blankets
  3. Playland Boardwalk Fun Bracelet Sales
  4. Double Good (Popcorn)
  5. Snapwise
- The SAB is requesting clarification on Zeffy, the banking/payment used for four of the five fundraisers, before approving them.
- Starting in 2025, Cheerleading's Closed Session will be moved to March.

Lisa Collins moved to approve Cheerleading's Fundraiser Request – Double Good (Popcorn). Brian DiLuigi seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

FIELD HOCKEY:

- Registration will open up tomorrow.
- We are purchasing uniforms through Her Sport. A link for ordering them will be sent out with registration confirmation.
- We are finalizing volunteers for our June Clinic. Trying to get high school girls to help out.
- Approval of registration fee:
  Kindergarten – 2nd grade staying at $50.00
  3rd – 8th grade lowering to $80.00 because uniforms will be purchased separately
- Approval of Fundraiser Request – Spirit Wear

Brian DiLuigi moved to approve Field Hockey's registration fees. Jimmy Gaskin seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

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

FOOTBALL:

- We are off season.
- Registration opened up April 1st.
- One day Corn Hole Tournament scheduled for May 31st at the complex.

LACROSSE:

- May 12th is the last week of regular season games.
- Youth teams are doing really well.
- Boys 5/6 A Team and Boys 7/8 have made the playoffs.
- Girls End of the Year Tournament is May 19th at Seneca High School.
- Boys 8th Grade All Star Game is May 21st on the game turf.
- Would like to have some practice time at the end of summer into the fall, will be submitting field request forms.

RUGBY: No one present.

- Approval of new board member:
  Dana Rosenbaum – secretary
  Statement submitted, Megan's Law certified

Brian DiLuigi moved to approve Rugby's new Board Member. Jimmy Gaskin seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

SOCCER:

- Still sorting through the costs and accounts receivables to determine how successful the Club was in regards to the Easter Tournament. The costs for nearly every aspect of the tournament has increased.
- The spring boys and girls intramural season has started up and is in its 4th week of games.
- 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.
- The Township has been helpful in all aspects of the program and addressing capital expenses.
- The Club purchased a portable generator to address otherwise inaccessible areas where power is needed.
- 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. SAB advised that 2 quotes are needed first.
- Tryouts have been completed for both the United and Travel programs, with team selections and rosters being assembled within the next few weeks.

- Travel soccer concludes around May 19th for most teams, United carries on into June.
- Several tournaments that are annual will be entered by various Township teams, such as Voorhees, Deptford, etc.
- Ocean City just installed a new turf field, increasing the number to 2, so we have been following the costs and uses. The OC Nor' Easters will be using both the stadium turf and new turf in Ocean City.
- 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.

SOFTBALL:

- Opening Day was April 20th. It was a successful day. Operating the day was done on a profit this year.
- Thank you's go out to Lisa Collins, Ken Neimeister, other Park Rangers, Tony and Neil from the Park, for all the help with Opening Day.
- Season has started and games are proceeding smoothly.
- The one complaint that was received last month has been rectified with adding an additional head coach to the team.
- Raised $300.00 from the Jersey Mikes Fundraiser.
- John DeRose will become an At Large Member. Will send for approval at the June meeting.
- 6U Assistant Coaches List submitted for approval.

Lisa Collins moved to approve Softball's 6U Assistant Coaches List, with the exception of BJ Stelacone and Amanda Keilyk, who are pending Megan's Law certification. Jimmy Gaskin seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

TENNIS:

- Season is going well, kids are having lots of fun.
- Trying to get a social media page for Tennis up and running.
- Closed Session for Tennis will now be in December.
- Approval of two additional Coaches, Chris Rumer and Marybeth Klesh, both are Megan's Law certified:

Jimmy Gaskin moved to approve Tennis' two additional Coaches. Dan Woodington seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

TRACK AND FIELD: No one present. Ron sent Denise an email with an update.

- In season with 3 practices a week.
- First home meet on April 6th went well.

- Next home meet is May 4th.
- There will be meets every Saturday until June.

WRESTLING:

- Off season.
- End of year banquet was April 11th and went well.
- Board reorg is coming up.
- Frank is working on a new website.
- Question asked what is the process for putting out registration signs? Advised he must go to Zoning to get a permit at no cost.
- Frank is also concerned about the complaints made by Maureen Fanelle as to Wrestling's reputation.

CHALLENGER DIVISION: No one present.

CODE OF CONDUCT COMMITTEE: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Lisa Collins moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Jimmy Gaskin seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

CLOSED SESSION: Cheerleading
Football

NEXT MEETING IS JUNE 5, 2024