

Memo

To: AAA Board Members
From: Greg Bykowski
Date: December 15, 2021
Re: Monthly Board Meeting Notes

The Avonworth Athletic Association Board met on November 4th, 2021 at Miller Hall at Avonworth Park at 7:00 PM.

NOVEMBER 2021 MONTHLY MEETING

Attendance:

All members were in attendance except the following:

Meeting Called to Order: 7:07 PM

Prior monthly meeting minutes approved by: Graff (Seconded by Shipley)

Financial Report: Kremer

- **\$30,398.54** in operating fund as of 11/04/21
 - Previous month: \$35,181.13 [Net change: **(\$4,962.59)**]
 - Deposits: \$97.20
 - Summary: Registration
 - Withdrawals: \$5,059.79
 - Summary: Field Maintenance (~2.5K) [Walker Supply ~1.2K, Gustic ~0.9K & TruGreen ~0.5K], Utilities (~2K) [Mr John ~1.2K & Duquesne Light ~0.8K], Concessions (~0.4K) [Sams] & Uniforms (~0.1K) [Shields]
- **\$10,531.89** in capital fund as of 11/04/21
 - Previous month: \$10,531.80 [Net change: **\$0.09**]
 - Deposits: \$0.09
 - Withdrawals: \$0.00

VP On-Field: Gallucci

- Skills Day for Spring In-House season would be desired
 - Basketball is having a tough time getting court time at school district facilities
 - AAA may need to an outside facility for the Skills Day session
 - Pure Athletex? Other option?
- Coaches surveys
 - Lack of sportsmanship (mostly reported in IL)
- Sunday Team roster spots
 - See Travel Coordinator report

VP Off-Field: Barnes

- Barnes would like to increase the number of sponsor signs at the fields
 - 7 of 8 signs sponsored at the T-Ball 4/5 Field
 - 4 of 15 signs sponsored at the T-Ball 6 Field
 - 7 of 60 signs sponsored at the IL Field
 - 7 of 26 signs sponsored at the ML Field
 - 6 of 15 signs sponsored at the LL Field
 - Might try to talk to Chris Anderson. He owns FastSigns in Wexford. They might provide a better price than the current vendor.
- Virtual merchandise store with Shields Embroidery has collected \$800 in sales as of 11/04/21. 11/17/21 is the cut off.
 - Merchandise should be received by 12/5/21
 - AAA will receive 20% commission on all merchandise sold
- Plans to have a Clearance Sale of any miscellaneous merchandise in the Big Shed.
- Would like to investigate expanding sponsorships for the whole year.
- Would like to start planning for the Memorial Day Tournament
 - Barnes will talk to Natale about details

Registration: Hetcko

- Registration for Spring Sunday League will reopen when teams have been selected.
- Registration is happening early because new uniforms will need to be purchased.
 - Supply chain issues are driving the AAA decisions. Uniform sizes must be collected early.
- Make sure that fees cover costs of practices, uniforms, umpires, & game balls

Equipment: Cole

- No significant issues with equipment.
- Bykowski will work with Cole to transition processes.
- Cole will send out request to collect equipment from the remaining coaches.
- Get specifications for ball types and contact information from Hetcko to purchase game balls (A.D. Starr) and practice balls (online vendors).

Concessions: Gallucci

- Finances:
 - Gross income: \$8,321
 - Cost of supplies: \$2,913
 - Net revenue: \$5,407
- Stand is pretty much cleaned out
- The Shane Root Collection Fund totaled \$446.97 as of 11/04/21.
- Board voted unanimously [Barnes/Shipley] to match this donation, thus bringing the total donation to \$900. The matching funds were taken from the non-discretionary funds from the concession stand revenue.
- Cavanaugh will provide a donation letter to Kremer to include with the check for the donation.

Umpires: Jamison

- No updates and no complaints

Uniforms: Brown

- Brown will talk to suppliers about providing extra jerseys for teams who may need alternates.
- Shields COULD match the design that was provided last year. Might even be able to have the jerseys embroidered.
- Fall Ball
 - Possibly offer coaches' shirts the opportunity to purchase a jersey in Fall Ball or get a sponsor to pay for the cost of jerseys (\$12)

Field Maintenance: Shipley

- T-Ball 4/5 was reseeded. Grass looks really good.
- All fields were aerated & reseeded.
- IL Drainage project complete
 - Jared Johnston donated materials, equipment, & labor. This was EXTREMELY HELPFUL!!!
 - Should improve the IL Drainage
 - Jared offered to donate more during the Spring Clean-Up
- Field dirt needed for IL for sure. Also, probably T-Ball 6
- Pea gravel will be necessary during next Field Clean-Up Day
- Natural Lawn contract negotiations are necessary.
 - TruGreen was \$3,233 for the year
 - All Natural would be \$5,491 for the year
 - Could possibly reduce the scope/visits to reduce the initial cost
 - Could reduce if the AAA provided free advertisement
 - Shipley to negotiate a new price
 - NOTE: Hetcko says that the grub treatment is NECESSARY
- Lip @ IL Field could be brought down with a roller
- ML Field light or breaker for light on the 1st base side needs to be fixed.
 - Shipley might have a work-around for this problem.

- Open items:
 - Short Term:
 - Weed Control Vendor Comparison (09/09/21)
 - \$200 for a replacement chalk lining tool at ML/LL? (09/09/21)
 - L-Screens need to be built / repaired / replaced. (09/09/21)
 - Long Term:
 - Laser grade IL Field (09/09/21)
 - Electrical work (bad wire?) at the ML Field (09/09/21)
 - Reposition lights at the LL Field (09/09/21)

Web Site/Surveys/Player Evals: Burford

- Working on player evaluations stats. Should be completed on 11/05/21.

Travel Coordinator: Graff

- **Winter Training Details**
 - Week beginning Monday 1/31/21 through week beginning Monday 3/21/21 (Total of 8 weeks)
 - 7.5 hours per week
 - Monday 8:00pm-9:00pm. 1 hr.
 - Tuesday: 7:30pm-9:00pm 1.5 hr.
 - Wednesday: 7:00pm-9:00pm 2 hr.
 - Friday: 6:00pm-9:00pm 3 hr.
 - Cost is \$125 per hour. Total of \$7,500
 - Once coaches and teams are selected, Graff will work with the coaches to make a schedule that best fits each team.
- **Sunday League 2022**
 - General
 - Team selection will be held on 11/17/21 at The Cabin at the park based on majority votes conducted by head coaches of the Spring League & Fall League head coaches. Times are TBD.
 - All head coaches were voted on by the Board [Gallucci / Kremer]
 - Cavanaugh recommends that the Avonworth coaches put a Sunday League together & communicate the opportunity to other communities proactively.
 - Head coaches from the Avonworth travel teams should share their contact information with other coaches.
 - 8U
 - 2 head coaches volunteered.
 - 8A Head Coach: Chris Shipley
 - 8B Head Coach: Jason Schmidt (Contingent on his son not being selected to A team).
 - Team roster
 - 8A Team to include the top 12 8U players
 - 8B Team to include the top 12 8U & 7U players

- 31 registrations. 2 teams. Some registrations are 7U players.
 - 9U
 - 2 head coaches volunteered
 - 9A Head Coach: Rob Chappo
 - 9B Head Coach: Ben Erdeljac
 - 23 registrations. 2 teams.
 - 10U
 - 1 coach volunteer, Hermie Carmichael
 - 19 player registrations. Only enough for 1 team, unfortunately
 - 11U
 - 3 coach volunteers. Brett Cavanaugh, T.O. Alberts, and Ben Erdeljac.
 - After discussion amongst the three candidates, T.O. Alberts and Ben Erdeljac decided to remove themselves from pursuing the position.
 - 16 player registrations. Only enough for 1 team, unfortunately. The top 11 players will be selected.
 - 12U
 - 1 coach volunteer, Sean Hogan
 - 14 player registrations. Enough for 1 team. The top 11 players will be selected.

League Reports:

- T-Ball – Farrell
 - No issues.
- IL – Gallucci
 - No significant issues.
- ML – Chappo
 - No significant issues.
- LL – Cavanaugh
 - No issues.
- Pony – Natale
 - No issues.
- Colt – Libbon
 - No league for Fall Ball

Clearances: Libbon

- No update.

Other News / New Business:

- None

Meeting Adjourned: 8:50 PM [Butsko / Chappo]

