

MINUTES OF LYA BOARD MEETING

August 13, 2023

Virtual Meeting

Attendance:

Board members present– Executive: Miller, Spallone, Gardner, D’Orazio, Brutto Other: Merritt, C Allen, Pusey, Petchkofski, Wheeler, Phillips

Absent: Owsik, Esposito, Gange, K Ryan, Hamilton, Gately, Pirich, Mariani

Others Present: Laughlin – Executive Director

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of minutes from May 2023 board meeting

Wheeler motioned to approve, D’Orazio 2nd the motion. Board unanimously approved May 2023 minutes.

I. Treasurer’s Report

Financial reports were distributed ahead of the meeting by Laughlin. Spallone made a motion to approve reports. Brutto 2nd the motion. The board unanimously approved the financial reports.

II. Presidents Report – Spallone:

Spallone is meeting with township this week. LYA will be working with them on a new tri-party agreement.

III. Sports/Operations Report – Gardner

- Soccer – Ridge Waddell has agreed to be commissioner, replacing Doug Pusey. Thank you to Doug for his years of service.
- Softball – Nothing to report.
- Baseball – Little League had a great season. The air quality issue interrupted some playoffs. District teams had a great run.
- Fall Baseball – Registration will be closing tomorrow and the season will start at the end of August.
- Lightning – The 12u team was bumped up a level in USSSA this year. Next year there will be two 12u teams. 14U finished well this season. 10U came out of development and had a nice season. The 18U team came to national conclusion. Chris Allen is no longer commissioner and Petchkofski will now take over Lightning as commissioner. Thank you to Chris Allen for his years of service.

- Basketball – Due to the uncertainty of gyms, budget will be an email budget in September.
- Hillcats – Mariaini provided an email update of all the Hillcats accomplishments. Hillcats Day was a great success. For the upcoming season, the program is expanding to encompass a diverse range of age groups, from 8U to 14U, with a total of over 150 enthusiastic participants. Some future concerns that will be worked on are field availability, Hillcats logo copyright and financial reporting.
- Lacrosse – Nothing reported
- Track & Field – Nothing reported
- Travel Soccer – Teams are starting tournaments this weekend and then fall season begins after labor day. There are 24 teams from U8-U19.
- Field Hockey – Nothing reported

IV. Administrative Report

Township removed the tree on Hoeffecker and will repair the fence. Patched up some of the path. Senior park is now open. Norm is working on Hoeffecker after Community Day. LYA is looking to move the trash bins near the Field C garage. LYA needs to replace snack stand structure where it is. Prefab structure and can switch out electricity and plumbing. D'Orazio will work a future proposal. D'Orazio is working on a map of where electricity and water lines are in Lionville Park.

V. Old Business

1. Volunteers/Committees - Mariani sent out an email with an updated timeline for this project.
2. Uwchlan Township Community Day – Miller and D'Orazio worked the Community Day tent and met a lot of our community. Miller picked the winner of the raffle and we contacted the winner of the free registration.

IX. New Business

1. D'Orazio put forth a motion to approve the following addition to the Outdoor Playing Fields section of the LYA Operations Manual: "Recreational sports have scheduling priority for all fields over travel sports." Brutto 2nd motion. There were some questions and concerns about the wording. Board ultimately decided to reword the addition and hoping the policy committee or a separate committee can put forth a new motion in the future. The motion was tabled.

2. Miller proposed having our November 2023 meeting be an in person meeting. Board unanimously agreed.
3. Some concerns about allowing outside organizations to use the expensive Hoef-fecker Soccer Field Equipment were raised. The board agreed that they would set guidelines next year.
4. D'Orazio put forth a proposal for a renovation project for both Senior Field and LMS Baseball Field. Celtic Roots gave LYA an estimate of about \$21,000 per field. Work will be completed by Labor Day and Celtic Roots will work on one field at a time so at least one of the fields is playable. LYA will contact the school to let them know. D'Orazio motioned to approve. Merritt 2nd the motion. Discussion included timeline on how long this will last, and D'Orazio said it should be done every 10-15 years. Motion was unanimously approved.

Public Comment

No public comment

IX. Adjourn

Spallone motioned to adjourn, D'Orazio 2nd motion. The board unanimously approved.