

MINUTES OF LYA BOARD MEETING

May 15, 2016

Abraham Feters-White Schoolhouse

Attendance:

Board members present– Executive: Spallone, Ambrogi, McSherry, G. Allen

Other: O'Connor, Pusey, C. Allen, Christy, Ryan, Marascio, Owsik, Gardner, Jefferis, Doloughy

Absent: Byrnes, Miller

Others Present: Anne Gehret – LYA Executive Director, Amy Laughlin – LYA Administrative Assistant

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of minutes from March 2016 Board meeting

Motion to Approve by Ryan, 2nd by Owsik. Unanimous approval of minutes by board.

III. Treasurer's Report

Gehret presented the balance sheet on a rolling 12 month start date. The bottom line number is about \$30,000 lower. This was attributed to higher basketball expenses and the fact that spring dues for the Hillcats have not been paid yet. This should be paid in the next week or two. McSherry also has the check from Opening Day to give to Gehret that is not included in the total. Spallone would like to look at the numbers again after travel baseball (Hillcats) gets paid. Discussion to reach out to each sport to find a good reporting start date was had. Gehret will reach out to the different sports for this. Decision was made to rerun numbers in July. Question about uncategorized expenses was posed. Gehret indicated that she was waiting for information on different things for these. The goal is to have information given to each sport, a monthly circulation of budgets and reports. Discussion about Little League baseball expenses being down, but again, since it is not the end of the season, board would like to see numbers in July.

IV. Presidents Report – Spallone:

LYA paid for 2/3 cost of turf for the Downingtown East baseball cage. LYA also bought an L screen. The boosters paid \$500. LYA is looking to build sheds on B and E field. Spallone asked if LYA would like more turf. Ambrogi concerned with the forklift damage of the turf, but indicated that once installed, damage is not visible. Ambrogi also had concern that the turf is installed on top of existing cover and concerned of the seams. Since LYA cages are shorter, there should not be any seams. Owsik will look at the East baseball ones to see turf should be put in the rest of the 6 cages.

V. Sports/Operations Report – G Allen

Baseball - Baseball is trying to get playoffs scheduled, but it has been tough due to the weather. There were over 500 athletes registered this year. Note that LYA is hosting the 9 - 11 year old district tournament at Foster and Evangelista. This will be held after July 4 and they are looking for volunteers to help. Baseball umpires are helping out GEYA this year. PIAA is looking for umpires. A person just needs to be 18 and take a test. The baseball families are loving the snack bar. There have a couple incidents to

the fields due to the weather. Eagle view field was beat up because some teams played in bad weather and the field became unsafe. It could have put the children in jeopardy. Owsik addressed the issue quickly and 3 other coaches fixed it.

Travel Baseball - The Hillcats are wrapping up. It has been a rough season due to the weather. Next year a new policy of having the coaches re-apply will take place. There will be a committee to decide on the coaches. In addition, they are changing the tryout process.

Lacrosse - Lacrosse is wrapping up the regular season on Memorial Day weekend. Then they will have playoffs. There will be a Lacrosse Play Day on June 4-5. Discussion was made to move lacrosse registration to November. Gehret indicated that is fine as long as we get advance notice. Lacrosse would like to have registration starting on November 15 and closed on January 1. Gehret indicated we would need information by October 15 in order to make that happen.

Softball - Not sure if softball is having Mane Event this year. It is up in the air due to lack of coaches.

Travel Soccer - Tryouts just occurred and LYA has a record # of teams this year. This is the first year for U18 Boys and U17 girls. The number of athletes trying out were good. The summer schedule will start in mid-June.

Basketball - Nothing to report.

VI. Administrative Report – Ambrogi

- a. Motion to approve LYA sponsorship for Community Day was made by Kevin Ryan, Dave Owsik 2nd it. Unanimous approval by the board to sponsor Lionville's Community Day.
- b. Proposal for Shed Work/Field Work.
 1. Executive board approved work on Foster Field - the shed, trail and benches - due to it being a safety issue.
 2. Approval for the rest of the work needs to happen. This includes the older sheds and some wooden benches on E, J, and Senior fields. This went out as an email motion, as more information was needed. The motion did not pass.
 3. There was a motion to fix the fencing as Hoffecker field, which is a Downingtown School District field. Ambrogi indicated that this was a safety issue and will notify the DASD that LYA will fix it. Motion to approve was made by Ambrosia, Owsik 2nd the motion. The board unanimously approved this fix.
 4. There was a motion to address the safety issue identified by Rob Mase. Mase indicated that there were safety issues with Field J, Foster Field, Field E, and Field B fences. Motion to approve was made by Owsik, G. Allen 2nd the motion. The board unanimously approved.
- c. Ambrogi updated board about the alarm issue in the LYA house. The phone has been fixed and the alarm issue has been rectified.
- d. Two upcoming events were discussed:
 1. Car show in the lower lot of the Downingtown East High School. This is on July 23rd with a July 30th rain date.
 2. Car show on October 8, with a rain date of October 9.
- e. Discussion about the B field pitching area was had. Byrnes suggested taking up the 4x4's and cleaning up that area. Ambrogi and Byrnes still discussing.
- f. Ambrogi gave update on Celtic Roots. He indicated the relationship is going well. However some areas are not getting weedwacked on the Evangelista and Foster fields.
- g. Discussion about the U7/U9 Play Day tournament. There was a mistake with paperwork not being filled out. The person knows now for the future, as concessions could have been opened.

- h. Frank Giancattarino has a concern about the Senior Field and Field J placement, as they share Foul Territory and people have been walking through areas in play, as well as sitting there to watch games. It was suggested to put 25 ft of snow fence. Board indicated that this was a baseball committee issue and G. Allen, Ambrogi, and Owsik will get together to discuss the best way to handle this.
- i. Discussion about the state of the LYA house was had. Ambrogi indicated that it is "a mess" and that there is lots of equipment in there. The Camps use this area.
- j. Discussion about the Hillcats/Legion baseball teams using the PA system was had. Spallone will followup with this question.
- k. Sunoco Pipeline - All sports were shut down because of work on pipeline until May 25. The work that had been completed is now sodded and taped off. Lacrosse is staying off for awhile. In December, two other areas will be worked on.

VII. Old Business

- a. Outstanding Budgets for FY 2016 - Anne will send out a list of who is outstanding with their Sports Budgets, one being the Capital Budget.
- b. Board Size - motion from November 2015 -Ryan - not enough people present for this.
- c. Concession Stand Update - Gehret - Since the weather has been bad this season, Kevin Myer has not been making money and not feeling great about this. He will finish out the season. Since more traffic has been around the concession stand, LYA needs more trash cans (both recycling and regular trash). Ambrogi will take care of this.
- d. Website/Registration System Project - G Allen/Owsik - Nothing to report. Fall registration will continue in Groupnet.
- e. Track/Field Commissioner - Gehret - Clay Flannery has offered to be the track and field commissioner. Trish Shannon will help him with practices. Registration is currently under way. Track and Field will be held at Downingtown East High School.

VIII. New Business

- a. Fencing and other projects in Lionville Park - this was discussed above in the Administrative Report.
- b. DASD charges for field use - Gehret received an invoice for \$1200 from DASD for field charges. Board indicated that we should not be charged for field use due to the Tri-County agreement. Anne will get clarification about what fields are being charged. More discussion needs to happen about this.
- c. Payment for porta-potties - Anne received an invoice for the porta-potties. DASD has paid for the porta-potties during the school year and Uwchlan Township and LYA partner the rest of the time. The cost is \$350/month. It was determined that this would be an Executive Committee Issue.
- d. Fall Sports Registration - This will be done on GroupNet
- e. Field Hockey Commissioner - Tara McFadden is unable to continue being the commissioner. LYA needs to find a new commissioner.
- f. Projects to be done by high school students - this was not discussed

IX. Adjorn

Ambrogi motioned to adjorn, O'Connor 2nd the motion. Board unanimously approved.