

EFL Roadrunners - Football & Cheer

Meeting Leader: Matt Marcil, President

Secretary: Michelle VanNostrand

Date: 3/8/2023

Time: 18:30

Location: Scout Hall - East Windsor

Attendance:

Matt Marcil	Jarrett Hunter	Brian Moody (zoom/in-person)
Eric Akstin	Jim Gottier	Mike Webb
Tiffanie Moody	Cassie Laliberte	
Michelle VanNostrand	Melissa Dumond (zoom)	
Ryan Herget	Marque Mercure	
Missi Lee	Ashley Ladr (zoom at 6:38pm/in-person)	
Adam Palotti		

Not in Attendance:

Derik Dumond

Meeting Called to Order - Matt Marcil - 18:33

Candidate Intentions Non Current Board Members:

- *A Football Head Coach - John Bibisi*
 - Philosophy is to build a culture, teach discipline, rules, and positive influence; get ready for the next level
 - Coaching experience: Windsor HS football 2008-2016; EHS football 2016-present as JV coach and V position coach; assisted on Senior "A" Team last season;
 - Windsor HS football 2008-2016; EHS football 2016-present as JV coach and V assistant; assisted on Senior "A" Team last season; Current baseball head coach for 19U Glastonbury Legion team
 - Had a great mentor with a past Ellington HS coach
 - Family. School. Football
 - create a family among the team and shape the kids
 - great opportunity to build a good community
 - Goals:
 - to continue and do skills/drills; training camps
 - continue black & orange bowl
 - continue "Adopt a Roadrunner Program"
 - this program teaches HS kids to be mentors
 - has already talked to HS Athletic Director to set up a game under the lights at the HS field
 - have the current, former players of the high school to assist with volunteering (college students); helping out at games and with training; wherever they are needed, chains, practices, etc.
 - First thing is to plan to have a parent meeting at the beginning of the season

Question: How would you handle any conflicts with referees or others on the field?

- very calm person; on the field as well; former college ref/ump; teach respect to authority- do it the right way

Question: Any playing/football experience?

- played entire high school career; film guru

Question: What are your plans for the future/intentions? Is this short term or long term?

- goal is long term, as long as remain healthy as can be

Question: Do you have staff lined up to assist you?

- the high school football staff to assist with coaching

- *Concession Director & D Cheer - No Candidates Ran*

Closed discussion about candidate at this time

President - Matt Marcil

President update on the following items:

- Appoint apparel committee
 - Chair is Mike: Mel, Adam, Cassie, and Michelle
- Think about what company to go with? Sublimation Shop as last year?
 - A lot of complaints about the cheer jackets; being ruined after the first wash, etc.
 - Issues with past orders; delays
 - Swiss cleaners? Will discuss more with committee
- Appoint summer camp committee
 - Chair is Marque: Mike, Ryan, Jarrett
 - Brian will get clarification in regards to coaches and summer camp
- Announcers booth: redoing and painting prior to the season
 - Cassie suggested a volunteer to paint/decorate booth
- Meeting with Dustin from town about irrigation, D-Team practice field, etc.

Vice President - Eric Akstin

- Will send out survey to board members tonight for voting. Please complete by 12 pm on 3/9/23.
 - put a new process in place for voting- need to keep integrity of the board
- Received essays from Sara V- 1 football and 3 cheer essays; last years scholarship committee will read essays and choose a winner and present scholarships
 - scholarship committee will read essays, choose a winner, and present scholarships
- Replaced shed log key; all board members issues a key and signed log. Required to return at the end of the year.
- Shoulder pad update:
 - Riddell discontinued the model of shoulder pads we previously had; either best model, about \$100 each or model we didn't like at about \$75 each
 - Potentially order half for now; 30-40 pairs would be about \$3000
 - Table/wait until next meeting to discuss further

◦ *By-Law Committee: Eric and Marque*

- Proposed by-law changes: **second read and board vote on changes**
 1. Update to Article XV- Election and Voting Procedures- when potential candidates put their name into nominating committee
 - Need to submit name in before 5 pm day prior to December meeting; only 1 meeting in December

Tiffanie motioned to accept by-law change, Mike 2nd

Yays - All, Nays - 0, Abstained 0 - The motion carries

2. Update to Article II- Officers of the Board- Head football/cheer coaches not members of board
 - a way to cut down total number of board members; very big now
 - 22 positions currently on board
 - Head coaches would be represented by respective coordinators
 - Can be part of committees, except nominating committee
 - Can sit in on monthly meetings
 - If changing rolls, would go into effect next year 2024
 - If by-law change passed, would not effect current coaches but any new coaches voted in
 - Did research; a lot of other leagues head coaches do not hold board spots/positions. ie. baseball

Additional board discussion:

- Concern if take head coaches out, feels husband/wife/household would be getting two votes. Looking at fairness of vote

- Spouses have their own thoughts and "my spouse certainly does not sway my thoughts", Mel
- Ideally 7 board members on most boards researched. Matt researched every league except for Tolland. Roughly 5-10 board members
- We would still have 14 board members without head coaches; trying to lower a little at a time
- Just because other boards have lower numbers doesn't mean we have to make drastic cuts to member holders

Tiffanie motioned to accept by-law change, Mike 2nd

Yays - 13, Nays - 3, Abstained 0 - The motion carries

3. Update to Article VII- Coaches, Boys, Girls Participation- D team (Pee wee) change regarding play time at discretion of coach due to safety concerns

- E. D-Squad free substitutions, and all players should play in at least four (4) plays per half of each game from the line of scrimmage, "unless the coach deems it unsafe for any player to participate".

Additional board discussion:

- Why just D team only?- just how the by-law was written
- Due to kindergarteners going against 3rd graders and the possibility to get injured
- Even C team has these type of issues with play times and parents approaching coaches to inquire why their children aren't playing, etc. Some kids are just not wanting to go in to play.
- Feel this by-law change may be used against the coaches or handcuff or used to exploit

Marque motioned to accept by-law change, Cassie 2nd

Yays - 5, Nays - 11, Abstained 0 - The motion does not carry

Equipment - Jim Gottier

- Integrated pant update- to return Riddell pants that are still in box in shed; Eric to discuss with Riddell rep
- Outstanding equipment- need to get an updated list to Matt to follow up with families

Treasurer - Tiffanie Moody

- Confirmed the jersey order previously placed, is in production as the order has now been released. Some hold up with invoices.
- Riddell bills to be paid which is why there is a higher balance in operating account (spending previously voted on)
- Set up a date to do taxes- 03/09/2023
- Next month will have income from registration and fundraiser
- Dave Race up to date on payments. Last payment was \$100 short. Will follow-up on why that is.
- Current balances as follows:
 - Operating Account \$7,349.83
 - Savings Account \$15,888.63

Michelle motioned to accept the March Tres Report, Ashley 2nd

Yays - All, Nays - 0, Abstained 0 - The motion carries

- See attached treasures report

Secretary - Michelle VanNostrand

- Need to present gift to Steve Zumbo; amount approved by previous board. Tiff will go out and buy. Matt will present.
- The board needs to discuss/vote having Dave Lenz come back this season to do the photographs for the league. He is busy and has been booking out and we would like to secure him for the upcoming season.

Tiffanie motioned for Dave Lenz to be the photographer for this season, Ashley 2nd

All in favor- The motion carries

Football Coordinator- Brian Moody

- SNEYFC Meeting Updates
 - Tolland submitted by-law change to SNEYFC for D team to be instructional/non-competitive.
 - It was mentioned that 3 families had reached out to Nate about going to play for him this season, but advised he would not take any Ellington players
 - SNEYFC stated they would not be signing any waivers this year

- mentioned that a parent had contacted the SNEYFC in regards to not having a coach for A Team; It was made clear that the league was supporting our league and board; they were very impressed by our league, very competitive, ran an outstanding program & considers one of the pillars for years to come
 - Brian P and Jeremy did an outstanding job at presenting and representing our league last year
- A lot of discussion about 5 year olds being on D-team; K playing with 3rd graders, not allowed in schools so discussion about them being allowed to play on D Team
- SNEYFC will vote on proposed by-law changes at their next meeting; board needs to vote on EFL stance on these changes
 - Please see the attached "2023 'OFF-CYCLE' BYLAW & PLAYING RULE PROPOSALS"
 - Below is the EFL stance
 - Proposal #1
Discussion: this is for skills weight, not haloed; could potentially create dangerous situation for the kids
Yays - 0, Nays - All, Abstained 0 - The motion does not carry
 - Proposal #2
Discussion: removal of all non-playoff games means season is over; want to see the kids play
Yays - 0, Nays - All, Abstained 0 - The motion does not carry
 - Proposal #3
Yays - 0, Nays - All, Abstained 0 - The motion does not carry
 - Proposal #4
Yays - 0, Nays - All, Abstained 0 - The motion does not carry
 - Proposal #5
Yays - 0, Nays - All, Abstained 0 - The motion does not carry
 - Proposal #6
Yays - All, Nays - 0, Abstained 0 - The motion carries
 - Proposal #7
Discussion: Important for coaches to be on the field all season
Yays - 0, Nays - All, Abstained 0 - The motion does not carry
 - Proposal #8
Discussion: Trying to set some guidelines for Pee-Wee as there was never Pee-Wee tackle division previously
Yays - All, Nays - 0, Abstained 0 - The motion carries
 - Proposal #9
Yays - All, Nays - 0, Abstained 0 - The motion carries
 - Proposal #10
Yays - 0, Nays - All, Abstained 0 - The motion does not carry

Cheer Coordinator - Sarah Akstin

- Cheer inventory count & shed clean out- April 23rd
 - An email was sent out to outstanding A cheer girls in regards to outstanding uniforms
 - All B team returned uniforms for sure, as Coach Debbie collected all at the end of the competition
 - Lots of cheer jackets in the shed that are not customized; good for this season- this would save us lots of money to stay with this jacket

Registration - Mike Webb

- Open house- May 20th
- Emailed coupon codes for board to register their children for the upcoming season
- As of 2pm, there were 30 athletes signed up
- Send a league wide email to all past members during the last week of early bird discount
 - Also coaches to send out email to past players

- Have a table at the farmers market for registration in July
- 12 outstanding balances; e-mail has gone out to all families last week
 - Only 3 have responded to rectify their overdue balances
 - ~\$2800 outstanding
 - Tiff will be monitoring

Volunteer Coordinator - Cassie Laliberte

- Question for Cassie: the plan to keep track of volunteers for the season? Log book/sign in

Concessions Manager Update- Open

- Nothing this month

Fundraiser Update - Missi Lee

- Easter Egg Fundraiser "Egg Your House"
 - 19 families signed up so far
 - Tuesday April 4th 6-8pm- hall is booked to stuff eggs
 - Need board member volunteers to deliver on April 8th
 - Marque, Ryan, Matt, Mike
- Purse & Power Tool Bingo
 - April 22nd- Doors open at 6pm, bingo starts at 7pm
 - Need a couple people to shop for bags and tools
 - Mel, Cassie
 - Each board member to donate basket for raffles at bingo

If by-law change passed would not effect current coaches this season, but any new coaches voted in

- Nothing to report this month

Webmaster Update - Melissa Dumond

- Post treasury report
- Easter Egg flyers have been added to website and social media accounts

Player Parent Rep - Adam Palotti

- Nothing this month

New Business

- There's a family that has split residences, son plays for Ellington and was curious about registering daughter for Ellington cheer instead of Tolland. Want to make sure this is okay.
 - Has been done this way in the past, just need to get Nate's permission. Also asked about cheerer to move up- SNEYFC very strict and won't allow any changes with cheer athletes

Mike motions to adjourn, Cassie 2nd, *All in Favor*

Next Meeting: 4/19/2023 6:30 pm- Scout Hall, East Windsor, CT

Meeting Adjourned - 20:41

Ellington Football League FY 2023

Treasurer's Report

02/01/2023 - 02/28/2023

Registration	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
Registration Income	\$24.06	\$31.87	-\$7.81	\$28,000.00	-\$28,007.81
Registration Refunds and Deposit Refunds	-	-	-\$100.00	-\$9,000.00	\$8,900.00
Registration Totals	\$24.06	-\$31.87	-\$107.81	\$19,000.00	-\$19,107.81
Concession Stand	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
Food and Beverage Sales	-	-	-	\$15,000.00	-\$15,000.00
Apparel Sales	-	-	-	\$1,700.00	-\$1,700.00
Equipment and Fixtures	-	-	-	-\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Misc Non Sales Supplies	-	-	-	-\$100.00	\$100.00
Certification and Permits	-	-	-	-\$100.00	\$100.00
Concession Stand Totals	-	-	-	\$15,500.00	-\$15,500.00
Fundraisers	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
Sponsorships	-	-	-	\$1,500.00	-\$1,500.00
50/50 Game Day Raffle	-	-	-	\$1,300.00	-\$1,300.00
Annual Ticket Book Raffle	-	-	-	\$9,500.00	-\$9,500.00
Donations	-	-	-	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
Old Uniform Sales	-	-	-	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Egg My House Fundraiser	\$115.30	-	\$115.30	\$1,900.00	-\$1,784.70
Mother's Day Plant Sale	-	-	-	\$1,500.00	-\$1,500.00
Roadrunners Night Out Brewery	-	-	-	\$1,200.00	-\$1,200.00
Mums Sale	-	-	-	\$800.00	-\$800.00
Rowdy's Rockin' Night Out	-	-	-	\$1,100.00	-\$1,100.00
Purse Bingo	-	-	-	\$3,200.00	-\$3,200.00
Fundraisers Totals	\$115.30	-	\$115.30	\$23,200.00	-\$23,084.70
Operating Costs	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
Field Upkeep	-	-	-	-\$500.00	\$500.00
Trainer	-	-	-	-\$1,900.00	\$1,900.00
Referees	-	-	-\$500.00	-\$5,600.00	\$5,100.00
Star Hill Tolland Bubble	-	-	-	-\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Coaches Clinics	-	-	-	-\$500.00	\$500.00
USA Football/Head up Training	-	-	-	-\$100.00	\$100.00
HUDL	-	-	-\$400.00	-\$200.00	-\$200.00
CPR Certification	-	-	-	-\$200.00	\$200.00
Background Checks	-	-	-	-\$800.00	\$800.00
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-
Operating Costs Totals	-	-	-\$900.00	-\$11,800.00	\$10,900.00
Uniforms and Equipment	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
New Equipment Purchases Football	\$8,341.86	\$12,341.86	-\$4,000.00	-\$8,000.00	\$4,000.00

Uniforms and Equipment	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
New Equipment Purchases Cheer	-	-	-	-\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
New Uniform Purchases Football	-	-	-	-	-
New Uniform Purchases Cheer	-	-	-	-\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Cheer Bows/Pompoms	-	-	-	-\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Coaches Shirts	-	-	-	-\$700.00	\$700.00
Helmet Reconditioning	-	-	-	-\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Uniform Repair and Reconditioning Football	-	-	-	-\$200.00	\$200.00
Uniform Repair and Reconditioning Cheer	-	-	-	-\$200.00	\$200.00
Mouth Guards	-	-	-	-\$200.00	\$200.00
First Aid and Safety	-	-	-	-\$500.00	\$500.00
Field Equipment	-	-	-	-\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Misc Shed Expenses	-	-	-	-\$500.00	\$500.00
Cheer Shoes	-	-	-	-	-
Uniforms and Equipment Totals	\$8,341.86	-\$12,341.86	-\$4,000.00	-\$18,300.00	\$14,300.00
Events	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
League Picnic	-	-	-	-\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
End of Season Banquet	-	-	-	-\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Camp	-	-	-	-\$500.00	\$500.00
Black and Orange Bowl	-	-	-	-\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Cheer Competition	\$800.00	-	\$800.00	-\$1,000.00	\$1,800.00
Championship Gear	-	\$70.90	-\$1,046.10	-\$2,000.00	\$953.90
Senior Day	-	-	-	-\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Events Totals	\$800.00	-\$70.90	-\$246.10	-\$9,600.00	\$9,353.90
Administration	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
Insurance	-	-	-	-\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
MoneyMinder	-	\$246.92	-\$246.92	-\$200.00	-\$46.92
Web Domain and Sports Connect Fees	-	-	-	-\$200.00	\$200.00
Advertising	-	-	-	-\$500.00	\$500.00
Scale Certification	-	-	-	-\$75.00	\$75.00
Accountant	-	-	-	-\$300.00	\$300.00
PO Box	-	-	-	-\$150.00	\$150.00
Bank Fees	-	-	-	-\$50.00	\$50.00
General Admin Fees	-	-	-	-	-
Federal & State Taxes	-	\$1,707.00	-\$1,707.00	-	-\$1,707.00
Electronic Voting/Survey Services	-	\$285.75	-\$285.75	-	-\$285.75
Administration Totals	-	-\$2,239.67	-\$2,239.67	-\$4,475.00	\$2,235.33
Dave Race Restitution and Taxes	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
Dave Race Restitution Payments	\$1,200.00	-	\$2,400.00	\$14,400.00	-\$12,000.00
Dave Race Restitution and Taxes Totals	\$1,200.00	-	\$2,400.00	\$14,400.00	-\$12,000.00
Cash Accounting	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
Event/Concessions Starting Cash	-	-	-	-	-

Cash Accounting	Income	Expenses	Year to Date	Net Budget	More/-Less
Cash Accounting Totals	-	-	-	-	-
Grand Totals					
	\$10,481.22	-\$14,684.30	-\$4,978.28	\$27,925.00	-\$32,903.28

Bank Account Balances	02/01/2023	02/28/2023	Last reconciled	Summary for the Period	
M&T Bank Main Account	\$3,210.60	\$7,349.38	02/28/2023	Starting Total	\$27,441.09
M&T Savings Account	\$24,230.49	\$15,888.63	02/28/2023	Income	\$10,481.22
Totals	\$27,441.09	\$23,238.01		Expenses	-\$14,684.30
<i>Review Reconciled Bank Statement Reports along with this Treasurer's Report to ensure its accuracy.</i>				Ending Total	\$23,238.01

Submitted by:

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____