

EFL Roadrunners - Football & Cheer

Meeting Leader: Matt Marcil, President

Secretary: Michelle VanNostrand

Date: 8/9/2023

Time: 20:30

Location: Robert Tedford Park, Ellington

Attendance:

Matt Marcil	Brian Moody	Coach JC (Jhamari Copening)
Eric Akstin	Mike Webb	
Tiffanie Moody	Cassie Laliberte	
Michelle VanNostrand	Jarrett Hunter (arrived 8:45pm)	
Sarah Akstin	Ashley Ladr	
Missi Lee	Melissa Dumond	
Adam Palotti	Jim Gottier (called in)	

Not in Attendance:

Derik Dumond
Marque Mercure

Meeting Called to Order - Matt Marcil - 20:33

President - Matt Marcil

President update on the following items:

- Porta-Potty Update; not within town budget; league to purchase and be placed by shed; \$67/month (28 day period)
- WiFi has been reset; should be all set for concessions
- President with popsicle to cont; handed out about 80 last week
- Picnic Thursday 8/17
 - League supplies hot dogs and burgers- Eric & Matt on the grills
 - Ice cream truck
 - Sign-up genius for sides, drinks, cutlery, deserts; assigned by group; to be sent out to coaches to disburse to families

Vice President - Eric Akstin

- Dick Gunn Ceremony Update
 - RHAM won the championship game but celebrating 50yr anniversary the Roadrunners won playoffs and made to first championship game
 - Dick Gunn founded EFL in 1970
 - Format of ceremony: Walk-out, speech; sign on scoreboard; during initial championship game, had parachuters land on the field
 - For the ceremony, the Gunn family is asking for specific families/people to be involved
 - Scheduled to take place between C & B game
- Helmet stickers should be in soon
 - Also RH stickers on all players helmets
- Footballs have arrived and handed out to all head coaches

Treasurer - Tiffanie Moody

- Presentation of Treasurer's Report

Operating Account \$6,575.39
Savings Account \$29,197.48

Cassie motioned to accept the July Tres Report, Michelle 2nd

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

- See attached treasures report
- Current balances as of today are lower than end of month balances above; paid Riddell invoices; need to start getting money in from annual fundraiser
- Registration income update
 - Payment plans regularly updating;
 - Last due 8/15
- IRS issue with square account
 - Has been an issue since 2019
 - When account was set-up back in 2019, Brian M used his personal SS#. So all income coming into the league via square, was being reported under personal SS#. No money was being disbursed to personal accounts, ALL to EFL account; just reported to IRS incorrectly.
 - Need to amend EFL 2021 taxes due to income from square being reported to a personal SS#
 - Square has been since been updated; Brian's SS# removed and EFL Tax ID now being used

Secretary - Michelle VanNostrand

- No registration payment check in PO Box
- Dave Race payments coming in
- Received dunk tank refund
- Response time regarding voting in very slow
 - maybe vote via google chat to accept minutes; issues with members being busy during week and catch up on emails on the weekend
- Socks
 - Reached out to Rick at Scott's in Windsor regarding availability of socks; black and any pink for breast cancer awareness
 - \$5.99 per pair at shop or \$4.49 per pair if order in bulk; black and hot pink; 3 sizes available
 - EFL has decided that we will not be purchasing black socks per athlete as uniform this year
 - Will look into Epic Sports for breast cancer awareness socks for other options

Football Coordinator- Brian Moody

- NO issues to discuss related to football
- Weigh-ins, Saturday 8/26 in Montville at 12:20 pm; arrive at 12 pm;
 - Need 4-5 volunteers from 11a-1p
- allowed to film games only- no practices
- EFL family outing to UConn game
 - will reach out to group sales regarding tickets for game on 9/30 @ 12pm vs Utah St.; obtain link for \$15 tickets for families to purchase
 - will have QR code in concessions for easy purchase
- Tolland meeting update
 - need constable at game
 - a lot of the rivalry has moved on but aware there may be issues and fans/stands will be separated by yellow tape
 - no tolerance policy regarding side line issues; same with players & referees
 - if a parent gets ejected; the league gets fined \$500
 - Coaches responsibility to send out email reminder to parents about rules & consequences

Cheer Coordinator - Sarah Akstin

- Validations same day as football- August 26th (weigh-in) @ 1:30pm
- No cheer meeting; only general questions
- Cheer shoes came in (2 orders); send last call for jackets & shoes; order this upcoming weekend
- Forms to be completed next week

- need registration forms, paper/hard copies of birth certificates, and Physician forms for books
- Pictures next week
- Uniform handout went well
 - have new girls that still need uniforms
- Implementing new rules this year for cheer that are from SNEYFC cheer coordinator
 - Basic rules: when in uniform, representing the town, and league. No swearing, no eating messy foods, etc
- If a cheer leader quits, no refunds until uniform/equipment returned

Registration/Apparel Committee Update - Mike Webb

- Total registered as of now: 158; last year 168
 - A Football= 22, A Cheer= 11, B Football= 32, B Cheer= 13, C Football= 25, C Cheer= 19, D Football= 21, D Cheer= 15
- **Apparel Update**
 - Coaches shirts due to arrive tomorrow
 - Store to close Friday, 8/11/23 at 11 pm
 - All orders from previous orders, placed in concessions for pick-up
 - Decided to open store a third and final time on 8/28 until 9/3/23

Volunteer Coordinator - Cassie Laliberte

- Slots filling up nicely
 - 5 volunteers for every game for now
 - Still some families that need to sign-up (Cassie will approach those families)
 - Volunteer sheets updated; book in concessions w/ names and numbers; reminders will be sent to families
 - chains; candy concession; game day video taping
- Will meet with Dylan regarding volunteers
- A board member in concessions at all times; at the very least to count money in and out
- Haily L. helping out/volunteering in concessions, assisting with Cassie; 18 years old
 - Haily and friends to run concessions day on scrimmage on Sunday 8/20.
- Parents are aware of volunteers needed during playoffs if hosting

Concessions Manager Update- Cassie Laliberte/Adam Palotti

- "Rowd's Snack Bar"
- Tamika has been contacted regarding inspection
 - application and payment is all set; awaiting date
 - fire marshal has been contacted to set-up inspection as well
- In regards to menu, if fryer does not get approved, then will be smaller with less fried food
- Will ask/look for cow bells
- New list of prices
- Would like to offer gift cards; parents can load up and give to kids to use; convenient
 - Gift cards can be customized; cost is \$89/100 cards
 - Good option as incentives to families that go above and beyond
- Getting a good idea of items to have and stock
- Purchasing new "football bowls" for displaying
- Another town sells customized Yeti mugs (cheer & football) to sell to families; offers discount for refills

Fundraiser Update - Missi Lee

- Purse & Power Tool Bingo- 8/19/23
 - 4:30 pm to set-up, 6:00 pm doors open and bingo starts at 7:00 pm
 - Ashley posted sign-up sheet for raffle baskets in the drive
 - Baskets need to be dropped off 16th/17th or at BINGO during set-up

- Cannot use any of their equipment; need TV to display numbers
- Committee is working on an adult outing; need ideas

Equipment Manager Update- Jim Gottier

- 20 new lineman jerseys ordered; should arrive 9/25
- Need youth mouthguards
- Requested 3 more blocks; just ordered

Game Day Coordinator Update - Derik Dumond

- Scrimmages planned-
 - First scrimmage for 8/11/23; Granby unable to participate- Jarrett has reached out to Milford
 - Board offering dinner if they come to Ellington for scrimmage
 - 8/16- practice style against Wethersfield
 - 8/20- home vs. West Hartford; game style w/clock, refs, AT, etc
 - Brian M. trying to set-up Pee Wee scrimmage against Tolland on 8/20

Webmaster Update - Melissa Dumond

- C Team head coach and concessions positions need to be updated on website
- Will get special access of photos
- Members who need CPR should have received emails to complete
- Post treasurer's report

Player Parent Rep - Adam Palotti

- Nothing to report this month

New Business

- Coach JC had suggestion regarding uniform debacle
 - Use the same reversible jerseys for Micros (C Team) as Pee Wees (D Team)
 - Use "Varsity" style jerseys for Seniors (A Team) & Juniors (B Team) only
 - Gives kids a stepping stone and something to look forward to
 - Reversible are a little less expensive too
- Coach is very happy with the season so far; loves how family oriented and diverse the league is

Old Business

- Update on leagues/schedules for deck hockey
 - no games on Sundays or during football
- UConn football ticket update
 - Brian will reach back out to secure tickets for 9/30/23 game against Utah St. 12 pm; EFL bye week except Pee Wee
 - Tailgating begins at 8am
 - Ticket prices available: \$10, \$15, \$35, \$70; need to sell at least 10 tickets for group sales
 - Last year sold 104 tickets
 - Decided \$15 price range would be good for all families
- Need Sponsor updates- \$150 for business
 - Sent excel spreadsheet attached in an email
 - Only 1 confirmed so far

Next Meeting: 9/13/2023 ~8:30 pm (after practice)- Tedford Memorial Park, Ellington CT

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

Meeting Adjourned - 22:02