

EFL Roadrunners - Football & Cheer

Meeting Leader: Matt Marcil, President

Secretary: Michelle VanNostrand

Date: 2/15/2024

Time: 19:00

Location: Hall Memorial Library, Ellington

Attendance:

Matt Marcil (called-in)	Kiki Bruscoe	Liz Stone (called-in)
Eric Akstin	Marque Mercure	Kevin Ladr (departed after intentions)
Tiffanie Moody	Cassie Laliberte	
Michelle VanNostrand	Jarrett Hunter (departed after intentions)	
Brian Moody	Ashley Ladr (called-in)	
Missi Lee	Debbie Szkirka (called-in)	
Adam Palotti	Jim Gottier	

Not in Attendance:

Melissa Dumond

Candidate Intentions for Football Coordinator:

- **Kevin Ladr**
 - lived in town for 15 yrs with 5/6 kids in the program; in-laws got way back in the program
 - Pee Wee Head (D) head coach; 11 yrs with program w/8 more to go; here for the long haul
 - build relationships; collaborate, communicate, and work with all other coaches
 - Go to conference meeting and report back to the board
 - Coach other sports: baseball & basketball
 - Will be at every game on Sunday and willing to help out wherever needed. Children in D, C, & B

Question: Regarding drinking/alcohol on the field

- Don't think should be on the field and feel need to be mindful of perception of this to the kids

Candidate Intentions for Football Coordinator:

- **Jarrett Hunter**
 - Passionate about football with over 12 yrs on the board; Football Coordinator in the past
 - Already building relationship with Ted (SNEYFC president); also connections with other leagues (PopWarner, CTYFL)
 - Founded Adopt a Roadrunner Program
 - set-up scrimmages for all levels over the years
 - Manages flag football teams during off-season
 - relationship with referees (incident from last season: refs walked off the field during a game and was able to get them to come back and Micro's ended up winning the game in OT instead of finishing a tie)
 - goes above and beyond with program
 - Willing to be at the field for all games on Sundays

Question: Regarding drinking/alcohol on the field

- Agrees that it should not be on the field during games

Review of Football Coordinator Position from Brian Moody:

- SNEYFC is consistent with schedules of meeting; prefer President, league rep, or cheer coordinator if Football Coordinator not available
- Need to know rules/regulations of high school football with some modifications
- Need to approach officials level headed
- Need to attend **every** meeting; building good connections
 - If you miss more than 2 meetings, the conference can vote to remove town
- Need to be on top of your game: good, working relationship with Tef, president of SNEYFC

Meeting Called to Order - Eric Akstin - 7:22 pm

President - Matt Marcil

- Nothing to report

Vice President - Eric Akstin

- Voting on 2 interested candidates for Football Coordinator Position- by 9am 2/16/24
 - Jarrett Hunter
 - Kevin Ladr
- Proposed bylaw changes
 - First reading for the Apparel Coordinator, Non-voting Board Position
 - The Apparel Coordinator shall:
 - a. Be responsible for organizing and providing apparel options to the board for review and approval.
 - b. Coordinate communication with apparel vendors.
 - c. Order apparel from vendors and coordinate distribution.
 - d. Be responsible for apparel sales during game day.
 - Any additional proposed changes, need to be sent out at least 7 days prior to a meeting
- Helmets- 41 went out for reconditioning; get back May/June; don't need to order any new helmets
 - Need to be cleaned/sprayed out at the end of the season; also may need to be disinfected and stickers stripped
- Shoulder pads: reconditioning? Replacing the older pads from 2019, but these should be a quick turn around
 - will follow up with Jim about how many; \$110 per shoulder pad
- Jersey replacement: 20 that need to be replaced ~\$72/ jersey

Eric made a motion to allocate \$1500 to go toward replacing senior jerseys and damaged/faded jerseys, Cassie 2nd
All in favor - The motion carries

Treasurer - Tiffanie Moody

- Discuss/adjust budget for 2024; still open to input; willing to make any adjustments
 - No treasurer's report yet due to no approved budget
 - \$23,900 for registration income in 2023
 - A Lot of money last year on coaches shirts
 - Going forward, only new coaches
 - Removed the following items:
 - Brewery night out- didn't do in 2023
 - Mum Sale- lost \$800
 - Purse bingo- lost \$2000
 - Cheer shoes since cheer coordinator suggested to be purchased by families and no need to match
 - Black & Orange Bowl

Secretary - Michelle VanNostrand

- Dave Race payments coming in consistently every month; have both January & February

Football Coordinator- Brian Moody

- Follow-up in regards to coaches clinics:
 - Nike coach of the year clinic: geared to more high school than youth football; great way to network/workout \$120/person; 50% off per person (Windsor, March 2nd)
 - Glazier clinic: more youth football friendly; they do scholarships for coaches to obtain free
 - In the past something the board has covered
- All quiet on the SNEYFC forefront
- Keep up with USA football grants, etc. Apply to grants and get free gear.
- In conclusion, has been a ride for sure; so many memories

Cheer Coordinator/Banquet Committee Update - Marque Mercure

- Uniforms organized and sorted
 - Along with Ashley & Liz, got through uniforms- there is a parent/mom that volunteered to do the repairs on any damaged uniforms
 - shirts lost an inch in length due to washing/drying. Need to inventory sleeves, most match up to vests but just different size.
 - would like to consider getting z-racks for shirts/sleeves.
 - Implement an attendance policy from A-D to streamline
 - Equipment geared more toward tumbling; tumble track.
- Received communication for SNEYC regarding meetings
- April 20th town doing Earth Day event. Trying to get a bunch of mascots, maybe Rowdy? attends. Coupon for discount registration or swag?

Registration Coordinator Update - Kiki Bruscoe

- Early bird registration; want to continue with March 1st go live.
- Modifying some options: Take out options to upload forms electronically (returning players do not need to bring birth certificates)
 - Come up with a better system to streamline forms

- Need to present at next board meeting or via email in order to open; may not be possible for March 1st launch

Player Parent Rep - Adam Palotti

- Nothing to report

Concessions Manager Update- Debbie Szkirka

- Nothing to report

Fundraiser Update - Missi Lee

- Easter Egg Fundraising Update
 - Just put flyer out today
 - Ordering candy/toys
 - Meet March 27th, here at the library, to stuff eggs
 - See flyer for more details
 - Need volunteers for delivering eggs.

Equipment Manager Update- Jim Gottier

- Equipment needs:
 - ball pump?, cleat scraper/cleaner, pilons, mouth pieces, ice packs, paint for fields, athletic tape, tall cones for concessions, benadryl/tylenol to have on hand for parents to dispense as needed
- All bags have been returned to shed

Volunteer Coordinator - Cassie Laliberte

- Lot of thought in volunteer; would like to do \$300 buy out and \$300 deposit; volunteer/uniform together; offer to refund or rollover \$300 into the next year. If they do not make a shift, ~\$50 per shift. Other towns do higher amounts.
- End of season above and beyond for those volunteers; raffle incentive to get families volunteer
- At the end of the day, we are a volunteer organization.

Game Day Coordinator Update - Kevin Laliberte

- Nothing to report

Webmaster Update - Melissa Dumond

- Not present

New Business

- Ryan Herget's children plan to come back for the 2024 season. Cassie motions to waive registration fees for the three children (2-football, 1-cheer) for the 2024 season. Brian 2nd
 All in favor - The motion carries
- Need CPR certifications- 1 person per team

Old Business

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Next Meeting: 03/13/2024 ~7:00 pm- Mcknight Community Room at Hall Memorial Library, Ellington

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

Meeting Adjourned - 20:49