

# TABERNACLE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

## Meeting Minutes of January 31, 2017

Lynne Hedden called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

In attendance were: Lynne Hedden, Ginger Evans, Rodney Haines, Pete Damiri, Matt Robertson and Tim Brekno.

The following board members were unable to attend: Lori Graff (excused - TAA), Dave Curtis (excused- professional), Brenda Bryan (excused), Mark Lemire (excused)

The minutes of November 29, 2016 were reviewed & accepted.

### **Program Reports:**

**Basketball: Ron Bjorklund – Basketball Director** – There is one busy month to go before playoffs. Medford Lakes All-Star Tournament and President's Day tournaments are in the planning stages. The regular season will end 2/28. Playoffs will be held in house at each level with winners advancing to league playoffs. Tabernacle will host the HS Boys championship game. There was some question about Tabernacle not having any HS girls in the league. The opportunity for HS girls to register for recreational league play was advertised through direct emails via the TAA database and signage was also placed at all major intersections in town. Had any HS girls signed up for league play, they would have been assigned to a team for league play. No HS girls registered for TAA basketball this year. Feedback on the Future Stars Clinics has been overwhelmingly positive. OMS team was very appreciative of the cards of encouragement that were made by the Future Stars participants and presented by Coach Matt Robertson to the OMS boys and girls basketball teams. 7 & 8 grade female players joined Coach Matt for the last few clinics to help as junior coaches. The girls worked hard and their involvement was very much appreciated.

**Soccer: Dave Curtis – Soccer Director** – nothing to report

**Wrestling: Lori Graff – Wrestling Director** – Spirit wear Fundraiser went well. Head coach Brad Bauer reports that they are having a great season and his volunteer coaching staff is excellent this year. There were over 25 wrestlers participating in pre-season tournaments with many of them placing in the competitions. At least 10 wrestlers participated in the first NJ State tournament qualifier. Wrestling banquet has been scheduled for March 8 at Seneca HS.

**Track & Field: Matt Robertson** – Indoor winter track clinics at TES are nearly complete. The turnout has been very good. Online registrations are ongoing. Pete has submitted a SYTF press release to the Tabernacle Sun for publication.

**Baseball: Rodney Haines – Baseball Director** – Online registrations are underway. We will send out weekly email blasts to remind parents to register. Pete Damiri will request that a notice be included in the Tabernacle Sun circular. Pete will also contact Judy Endt to include TAA spring sports registration announcement in the community pack.

**Softball: Lynne Hedden– Softball Director (interim)** – Online registrations are underway. We are contacting community members that might be interested in taking over the program. Lynne will contact Tom DiBernardo about replacing the pitching mounds at Patty Bowker following the fall SB showcases.

**Volleyball: Brenda Bryan** – Nothing to report

**Treasurer’s Report: Ginger Evans** – The treasurer’s report was reviewed. TAA provided Tabernacle Twp with a check in the amount of \$500.00 to establish an escrow account from which the Twp will pay electrical bills at Patty Bowker as part of a Twp. municipal account.

**New Business:**

Pete will submit information regarding the 2017 Sean Clegg and Chad Adams Memorial Scholarships to Seneca HS and the local newspapers.

Pete will provide information about TAA to Donna O’Malley for inclusion in the kindergarten family packets.

Pete discussed several ideas for a TAA slogan and logo. Since the meeting was so sparsely attended, we will table the selection of a TAA slogan and logo until the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.