

PHARA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 9:10p.m. Board members in attendance were Kim Michak, John Hosmer, Karen Bucy, Greg Johnson, Carolyn Bourgeois, Eric Zoglmann, Tom Risley, Don Schmidt and Joe Esper. Also in attendance was Bill Porter.

Carolyn and Greg made a motion to accept the November, 2009 minutes.

Treasurer's Report

Dan spoke with John about transferring everything over to Carolyn. The account will be moved to Northwest. Balance approximately \$66,000; \$35,000 from basketball registrations

Basketball

Tom stated that \$35,000 has been deposited and approximately \$1,311 in hand. The photographer this year will be Prints Charming. They also offered \$500 in sponsorship. 20 online registrations have not paid yet. 765 kids so far, 112 little dribblers, 384 boys (44 teams) and 270 girls (28teams). 76 h.s. boys; 80 needed for 10 teams. 7th, 8th & 9th grade girls will play together; one 11th grader did not want to play. Brentwood will bring 3 teams to play in our league; they were charged \$22 a kid for insurance and ref fees. There uniforms are similar to ours. Tom spoke with Jack from Oxford Development; he explained the situation and need for contact people. Tom is the initial contact, then John, Eric, Karen, Tom Conley and Craig Dellasandro. Jack is their principal contact. Joe Rimsky still opens gyms on the weekend; he waived his fee for opening gyms. Future issues include lowering the hoops at Gill Hall and McClellan; talked to Debbie P. about it too. Opening up the high school for gym time was also discussed. Talked about soccer not using the gym time and then PHARA gets locked out. Tom is looking into the permit process and Christmas gym closures. The principals do not like PHARA in the gyms; it is a privilege to be in the gyms. McClellan will be closed December 14 thru 17. Kim will also call monthly to check on gym closures. The uniforms were ordered; 2 were ordered late. Equipment and uniforms ordered thru Graphic designer Leeway Enterprises. Joe Esper ordered all equipment and pennies; he is still finding equipment from last year. He will use a new labeling system this year. Eric nominated Bill Porter as the basketball commissioner for girl's 1st & 2nd grade and was seconded by Tom. He was voted in by a majority vote. Greg stated that no adults volunteered to coach at the high school level. He will appoint senior captains, but still needs adult supervision in the gyms. He attended over 70 games last year, but due to travel with work he cannot this year. Kim and Carolyn offered to help with monitoring of the gyms. The draft will be next week and he will hold some open gyms. Karen talked about every dollar going back to the kids. She is putting a letter together for the parents so they are informed as to how the money is spent. The letter will address loss of balls, people leaving with them, uniforms, referee and trophy costs; also mentioning that we do not have to fundraise. High school boys will not have their names on the jerseys this year. \$65 a player and each game will have 2 referees. Kim thought that 7th & 8th graders playing at 8:30 was too late, just like in baseball they do not play 8:00 games on school nights.

Football

Don stated that the banquet will be Feb 21st at the Broughton Fire Hall. They are still negotiating with payment to Don Housley so they can get the completed plans for the field. He attended the Jefferson Hills planning meeting and stated that they have plans to renovate Beedle field. They are still looking for a practice facility and are creating a field committee. Dicks has rezoned and may be used by Matthews Bus Company. They are also looking for a storage facility other than the trailer. They are also going to inventory everything. The 10yr olds won the Super bowl; Jim Nassida did a great job. 2 other teams made the playoffs and TJ hosted two days of playoffs. Having 3 coordinators is working well and they have a good relationship with the boosters. Tom suggested that they ask the borough about use of Maize field.

Baseball

Sign-ups will be Sat., Jan 30th, Sat Feb 6th and Thursday Feb 4th. Online registration is also available, check to be mailed in. Fields will be distributed as usual except baseball uses fields in summer and fall and need to share with softball. Tom will give out any leftover gym time.

Softball

Bill stated that they would like to have an opening tournament similar to the closing tournament that they have. Elections will be held this month; more volunteers are needed. They will ask for volunteers in the Record and Steve Miklos is sending out mass emails asking for help. Tom gave Bob Bowers 9am to noon gym time on Saturday, which he denied.

Old Business

Vision – bringing all sports in under PHARA; soccer, wrestling, cheerleading etc., allocating field and gym times eliminating Jefferson and Pleasant Hills issues. The vision is to join with the boroughs and school district and be recognized by all West Jefferson Hills. Pleasant Hills borough used to give us a \$12,000 stipend for equipment and that no longer exists. PHARA could change their name and the mindset and align with the school district. This is in line with how other communities run their sports, i.e. Peters and USC. New board would oversee all sports. A new recreation center could be part of this plan.

New Business

NA

With no further issues to discuss, Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:00p.m. and was seconded by Eric. The next scheduled meeting is January 7, 2010.

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