



## **May 18, 2009 FTAA Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order by President-Dan Matyak

**Members present**-19-Dan Martyak, John Wieller, Melissa Walsh, Melody Talpas, Ed Adamko, Dave Billings, Mike Bonfanti, Nancy Bonfanti, Ty Corallo, Scott Hardy, Ed Harrington, Chris Henry, Lou Keleher, Don Miers, Brett Morrow, Simon Sikora, Kevin Wall, Kelly Wilson, Gregor Wright, Colleen Ziegenhorn. All officers present.

**April Minutes-Motion to approve-Chris Henry Second-Simon Sikora**  
**All in Favor-All Opposed-None Status-Approved**

**Treasurers' Report**-given by John Wieller

**Motion to Approve-Nancy Bonfanti Second-Dave Billings** **All in Favor-All Opposed-None Status-Approved**

### **Correspondence:**

1. Easton Baseball Diamond Club sent a thank you letter and picture of the players to the FTAA for the Basket Bingo Donation.
2. Thank you for the advertisement placed in the Lehigh Valley All Star Football Game Program.
3. Easton Baseball Diamond Club requests to sponsor a sign in the outfield at Easton High School.

**Motion was made by Chris Henry to sponsor a sign in the baseball outfield at Easton High School. All in favor-All Opposed-None Status-Approved**

4. Pro Creations sent samples of their photo packages. Commissioners were offered the opportunity to take a look at the different packages that they had to offer.

### **Election of new Officers for Wrestling and Basketball**

**Wrestling-Don Miers is running unopposed for Wrestling Commissioner. All in Favor-All Opposed-None Status Approved**

**Basketball-Don Miller is running unopposed for Basketball Commissioner. All in Favor-All Opposed-Non Status Approved**

### **Taxes**

The FTAA was notified that a 990ez form must be filled out for the past three years in order to obtain Senator Wonderlings Grant and to keep our tax-exempt status. This form is for any non-profit that has a gross income over \$25,000 and must be filed annually. The Associations fiscal year is from July 1 until June 30. We have until June 15 to file.

In order to receive the grant, the IRS is requesting these forms must be filled out by November 15, 2009.

Dave Billings explained the different forms that non-profit organizations must file.

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**Action: Dave Billings will send Dan the article that the Easton Recreation Board used in their bi laws pertaining to filing taxes.**

**Action: Jim Farley will fax Dan the rules for a 5013C organization. It will state what a non-profit is required to report.**

## Sports Reports

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### Baseball-Chris Henry

1. Jr. Legion started last week.
2. Jr. Babe Ruth started this week.
3. Has estimate for fences \$6800.00
4. Like to enter a Jr.Legion Prep team for 13 year olds and eliminate Babe Ruth Prep.
5. Tougher to fill Baseball Tournament because of the current 60 ft diamonds. Wants to make the fields that the 11and 12year olds play on to 70 ft diamond instead of the 60 ft diamond. The 70 ft diamond is a transition from the 60 to 90ft diamonds.
6. Chris had a lengthy meeting with Mark Roberts about rainouts. 99% of the time the decision is made by the coaches to cancel a game.

**Action:Chris Henry. Have A&S Fences look at the fences around the batting cages as soon as possible.**

**Action:Chris Henry. Place the A&S Fences bill in the Recreation Board box for payment.**

**Motion-was made by Chris Henry to get A&S Fences to give a quote on the batting cages. All in Favor-All Opposed-None Status-Approved**

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### Basketball-Don Miller

1. No update-Don was not feeling well.
  2. Season is over.
  3. Summer league will soon begin.
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### Cheerleading-Melody Talpas

1. The Parent's Meeting was held May 3 at the Community Center.
  2. Clothing Try ons will be held May 3 at the Community Center on June 7<sup>th</sup>.
  3. The Fundraiser will also be collected on June 7<sup>th</sup>.
  4. Cheerleaders will receive \$20.00/cheerleader towards an item if they win first place at Clinic.
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### Football-Fran Tone

1. Sunday Schedule has been approved. Thursday night schedule has not been set yet.
2. Practice will begin August 3.
3. Sunday games will start August 30. Game times remain the same.
4. Having a general coaches meeting May 22 at 8:00p at the Community Center.
5. Waiting for a report from the Township of the sign ups to date. Must declare the number of teams at each level at the June 11 league meeting.
6. Kelli Wilson is organizing football Fundraiser. Looking into a golf tournament in the late summer/early fall. The initial meeting will be May 31. As Commissioner, Fran is giving his ok to this fundraiser as the Football Commissioner.

**Action: Jim Farley commented that the first report sent to Fran and Gregor was a total of 75 children for football and soccer combined. Jim will continue to forward the sign up totals.**

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Dan stated that all the funds made must be divided evenly amongst the teams and all of the money must go through the FTAA.

#### **The Board was all In Favor of the Football Golf Fundraiser.**

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##### **La Crosse-Scott Hardy**

1. Season is winding down.
2. Everything is going great.
3. Likes the new shed.

#### **Action: Dan Martyak requests a cart be purchased at Home Depot for La Crosse.**

Dan stated that the left side of the shed storage for baseball, the right for La Crosse and the middle be shared by both.

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##### **Soccer-Gregor Wright**

1. 2/3 of the spring soccer season is completed.
2. His team is 5-0.
3. Sent mass emails to past soccer players to sign up for fall soccer.
4. Tryouts for A and B teams will take place mid June.
5. Thanked John Wieller for taking care of the background checks.

John stated that background checks must be filled out every two years and shirts will be given out once every three years. Soccer receives two shirts per team.

#### **Action: Jim Farley will email sign up reports every Friday for soccer sign ups.**

#### **Action: John Wieller will leave the sign up forms at the Community Center Front Desk.**

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##### **Softball-Ty Corallo**

1. All games have been scheduled for the fields from T-ball through seniors.
  2. The last home game for any team will be June 30<sup>th</sup>.
  3. Attended a league meeting last night.
  4. Forks will be hosting the senior level All Star Tournament on June 20<sup>th</sup>.
  5. Forks will be hosting the league All Star Tournament on July 10-12<sup>th</sup>.
  6. Forks will be hosting a USSSA Tournament on July 25-26<sup>th</sup>.
  7. Tony Grundhauser, Ed Stiner, and Ron Perio are looking to host a softball clinic again this year at the Park. Ty is waiting for the dates.
  8. Handed out two Softball Fundraisers: Sportswear Sale and Rewards program with Big Woody's.
  9. Softball Dance was May 15.
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##### **Wrestling-Don Miers**

1. Chin up bars were purchased for the wrestling building.
2. The Recreation Board said that Don has to go to a Township Supervisors' Meeting to seek approval for the Mat Club.

#### **Action: Don Miers call or email Don Miller about the Mat Club.**

## Committee Reports

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### Recreation Board-Simon Sikora attended.

1. Two proposals for 70ft Baseball diamonds.
2. Wrestling Mat Club
3. Approval to purchase two backstops.
4. Allotted \$2000.00/backstop

**Action:Melody Talpas Request May minutes from the Recreation Board to check the status of the backstops. Were they approved or ordered.**

**Action:Melody Talpas a reminder to the Commissioners about the Recreation Board Budgets and Reminder about the August Recreation Board Meeting to present the Budgets.**

### Dance Committee-Kevin Wall

1. 273 kids attended
2. There was plenty of Chaperone's.
3. There was a fight and the Police Officers dealt with the situation.
4. The next dance will be held in September.

Melody asked if the September dance be scheduled the day of an Away Easton Football Game.

### Snack Bar-Kelli Wilson

1. The snack bar is still running on trail basis.
2. Still waiting for the yearly license.
3. The Snack bar was not opened May 15. Kevin opened.
4. Kelli requested that the Snack Bar code be changed.
5. Coaches need to convey to the Snack Bar Committee when there is a make up game.

**Action:Kelli Wilson must speak to Don Miller about changing the code.**

**Action:Commissioners must send Kelli Wilson slots that must be filled.**

**Action:Kelli Wilson should also advise commissioners of the availability left in the snack bar.**

**Action:Kelli Wilson should advise John Wieller when the snack bar is open.**

**Action Kelli Wilson should add to the closing list that the fans should be turned off.**

**Action:Kelli Wilson please create a spread sheet of what everything costs.**

**Action:Melissa Walsh notify La Crosse that June 2 open date from 5:30p-8:30p.**

**Action:Melody Talpas send an email to the snack bar committee about the Meeting June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7p at the Community Center.**

**Action: Chris, Scott, Ty, need to give the volunteer list to the Snack Bar and Dance Committees.**

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**First Aid-Matt Daud**-No report

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### **Scholarships-Colleen Ziegenhorn**

1. Nancy Bonfanti read the Brad Weaver Letter and Dan Martyak presented the award winners tonight.
  - A. Marissa Csovelak
  - B. Chad Gruver
  - C. Lauren Holmes
  - D. Jason Miranda
  - E. Matthew Ziegenhorn

**Action:Dan Martyak update the Scholarship Plaques.**

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### **Background Checks-John Wieller**

1. Cheerleading background checks are completed.
2. Waiting for Football and Soccer background checks.

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### **Sign Ups-Dan Martyak**

1. Late sign ups must have the commissioner's signature in order to be processed.
2. Cheerleading can end or extend sign ups as long as it is in writing due to the amount of uniforms.

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### **Guidelines-Nancy Bonfanti**

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of Volunteer Guidelines.
2. Add male/female to the form.
3. Discussed raising the volunteer fee to \$50.00
4. Discussed late fee from 10.00 to 25.00/child/sport
5. Red form late form for Non Residents.  
Yellow for Residents.

**Action:Guideline Committee discuss new ideas and a new sign up form.**

**Wrestling Guidelines-** Needs to be updated with coaches' desgression.

1. Not ready for approval
2. Must be ready by September 1, 2009.

**Action:Don needs to fix the guidelines. Should add...Coaches have the right to move a wrestler in the best interest of the team.**

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### **Web Site-Ed Adamko**

1. Updated

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### **Community Days-Colleen Ziegenhorn**

1. Colleen advised the Community Days Committee that FTAA approved paying for part of the fireworks.
2. May not be able to open our snack bar.
3. Dunk Tank/Glow Necklaces
4. Next Community Days Meeting is June 15, at 7p, at the Community Center.

**Action:Colleen has to notify John Wieller with the amount for the fireworks.**

**Action:John Wieller Needs to cut a check for the fireworks.**

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**Old Business-**

1. Taxes
2. Shed at Mecro Road
3. Grant is at risk.

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**New Business-**

1. The Board of Supervisors is requesting a list of what fields are used for and what sport uses them.

**Action: Commissioners must send Dan a list of the fields each sport uses and what the field is used for as soon as possible.**

2. Township should pay to have the Community Center snack bar cleaned.

**Motion-Simon Sikora made a motion to close. Scott Hardy 2<sup>nd</sup> In Favor-All  
Opposed-None. Status-Approved**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Melody Talpas,  
FTAA Secretary