



## **November 8, 2010 FTAA Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order by President-Dan Martyak

**Present:** Dan Martyak, Ty Corallo, John Wieller, Melody Talpas, Jen Castellano, Scott Hardy, Ron Houghton, Wendy Jamison, Don Miers, Brett Morrow, Tom Oligino, Tracy Ruschman, Butch Scerbo, Simon Sikora, Kevin Wall, Carter Wilson, Kelli Wilson, Colleen Ziegenhorn, Ellis Weitman

Minutes-**Motion to approve minutes- Simon Sikora-Second by Scott Hardy**

**All in favor-All Opposed-None Status- Approved**

### **President's Report-Dan Martyak**

1. Online Registration Presentation-Jim Farley, Township Finance Manager will email the officers in regards to an online Meeting.
2. Coach of the Year- Commissioners please send Coach of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, and Lifetime Achievement to Melody Talpas. Melody Talpas will compile them and send the nominees to Dan Martyak.
3. Board of Supervisors Meeting
  - a. Recreation Board Ordinance
  - b. Security Issues. Dan Martyak contacted Chief Dorney and Mark Roberts in regards to security cameras for the snack bars. Chief Dorney and Mark Roberts are going to meet with a security company.
4. Background Checks
  - a. Background checks will be done online
  - b. FTAA will pay the cost for three coaches per sport.
  - c. FTAA pays for one year and the check is done twice.
  - d. The cost of the background check is \$20.00.
  - e. Coaches can check the status.
5. Big Ideas
  - a. Lights on the football, baseball, and softball fields.
  - b. All purpose building
6. Dan Martyak met with the Accountant for clarifications.

### **Treasurer's Report –John Wieller**

1. Ending Balance-\$65,479.16

2. Sports Accounts-\$31,052.05
3. Football Team Accounts-\$7885.00
4. Cheering Sportswear-(Not a fundraiser)-\$854.00
5. Actual FTAA Account Balance-\$25,688.11
6. The Field Hockey Grant account was closed. Grant money was spent.
  - a. Current Funds were placed in the General Account \$2558.28
7. Check number 4678 replaces check number 4635.
8. Clean Snack Bars-\$1500.00
9. State Tax Exempt Status-John has to call the state in regards to the tax exempt form.

**Correspondence-Melody Talpas**

1. Dan Martyak received a letter on September 16, 2010 from Karl Kline, the Township Solicitor stating that the Township would like the FTAA to sign papers in regards to the 5 acres.
  - a. The contract is until December 2012.
    - i. Township will allow the fields to be used for youth soccer, t-ball, and field hockey.
    - ii. FTAA is not allowed to place a permanent structure on the land.
    - iii. The township reserves the right to re-evaluate the fields after 2012.
    - iv. Dan Martyak is not going to sign.

**Nominations for 2012**

**1. Officers**

- a. President-Dan Martyak-Approved
- b. Vice President-Vice President-Approved
- c. Treasurer-John Wieller-Approved
- d. Secretary-Melody Talpas-Approved

**2. Commissioners**

- a. Baseball-Simon Sikora and Ron Houghton-Approved
- b. Cheerleading-Melody Talpas-Approved
- c. Field Hockey-Melissa Walsh-Approved
- d. Football-Fran Tone-Approved
- e. Lacrosse-Scott Hardy-Approved
- f. Soccer-Brett Morrow and Gregor Wright-Approved
- g. Softball-Ty Corallo-Approved

All the Officers and Commissioners were approved unanimously.

### 3. Committees

All Committees Chairs responded yes for 2011

- a. Background Checks-John Wieller
- b. Community Days-Tom Oligino
- c. Dances-Kevin Wall
- d. First Aid Dan Martyak
- e. Guidelines-Nancy Bonfanti
- f. Recreation Board-Butch Scerbo
- g. Scholarships-Colleen will walk Kelli Wilson and Sue Stem through the process.
- h. Snack Bar-Simon Sikora, Sr.
- i. Sportswear-Melissa Walsh and Dana Guffy
- j. Web Site-Ed Adamko

### Old Business-None

### New Business

1. Ty Corallo-Suggested...Commissioners update their guidelines.
2. Ty Corallo-would like to hold a Homerun Derby for Boys and Girls.
  - a. Phillies run the program.
  - b. Each child receives ten pitches, measured.
  - c. After their local derby. Qualifiers would advance to a Regional Derby and winners would be invited to a Phillies baseball game.
  - d. If Forks hosted the Homerun Derby could open the snack bar and receive the profits.
3. Ty Corallo would like to acknowledge EAHS Seniors that participated in Forks Athletics by placing an article in the Express or posted on the Website.
4. Ty Corallo commented that the Recreation Board wants the Tournament Softball Teams to be their own Entity. Ty wants to run the money through the FTAA. The tournament team has its own insurance, rents the fields, and has its own equipment.
5. Dan Martyak denies the request to run the money through the FTAA because the Recreation Board sees tournament teams as their own entity. Each sport is allowed one sport to be funded by the Township.

**Motion- Dan Martyak makes a motion that every Commissioner/Sport has a Coaches meeting and Dan would like to be invited to the meeting.2<sup>nd</sup> By Brett Morrow.**

**All in Favor-All-Opposed-None-Status-Approved**

6. Burch Scerbo requested that all Commissioners remind their athletes to return their uniforms.

## **Sports Reports**

### **Baseball-Simon Sikora**

1. Baseball meeting with the Greater Easton Athletic League.
2. New Jersey teams were interested in entering the league, but it was voted down.
3. Baseball signups are in January.
4. Baseball season ends the last week of school.

### **Basketball-Don Miller**

1. Don Miller was attending a Basketball Meeting and sent his report to Dan Martyak.
2. Dan Martyak reported any new Basketball signups will be placed on a waitlist.

### **Cheerleading-Melody Talpas**

1. There will be three Midget Cheerleaders and five Pee Wee Cheerleaders representing Forks at the Blue Mountain Valley All Star Game. The All Star game will be held in Moore Township, November 13, 2010.
2. The Cheerleading Banquet will be held November 18, 2010.
3. Uniform returns will take place Wednesday, November 17 and Monday, November 22.
4. Melody Talpas Thanked the FTAA for the sweatshirts for the Midget and Flags that won first place at the Easton Area Cheerleading Clinic.

### **Field Hockey-Melissa Walsh**

1. Melissa had nothing to report.

### **Football-Fran Tone**

1. The regular football season ended November 7.
2. Forks will have four Midget and 5 Pee Wee football players participating in the Blue Mountain Valley Football All Star Game held November 13.
3. The eight year old Jr. Pee Wee team lost to the Nazareth Clippers in the Championship Game. The game was held November 7.
4. The Pee Wee Team beat Easton to win the Pee Wee Championship Game.
5. Will schedule uniform returns with Butch for the week of November 15<sup>th</sup>.
6. Fran Tone has requested \$480.00 be taken from the football account for the football coaches to attend the league dinner on November 18.
7. Fran Tone thanked the Recreation Board, the FTAA, and the parks department for their support this season.

### **Lacrosse-Scott Hardy**

1. Signups will take place in January.
2. Scott Hardy attended the monthly league meeting.
3. Scott would like to send the Lacrosse coaches to a clinic in Baltimore. Scott would like to take the money out the Lacrosse budget.

### **Soccer-Gregor Wright & Brett Morrow**

1. Soccer held a two day Tournament at the Forks Parks.
2. Great Season
3. Several incidents with that involved the discipline of a coach.
4. Brett Morrow raised a question about discipline procedures for a coach.
5. Suggestions made....Depending on the incident warning, suspension, and dismissal

### **Softball-Ty Corallo**

1. Ty Corallo had nothing to report.

### **Wrestling-Don Miers**

1. Sixty-five wrestlers signed up this year.
2. Thirty-three Novice and 32 Varsity/JV
3. Signups are still open.
4. First practice was held last week.
5. November 23 Don Miers will have eliminations in Gym 1.
6. Forks will be attending the Fall Brawl.
7. Uniform Hand outs will be held November 26, 2010
8. December 5<sup>th</sup> is the first home match.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Community Days-Dan Martyak/Colleen Ziegenhorn**

1. No Report at this time.

### **Dances-Kevin Wall**

1. The next dance is November 19<sup>th</sup>. This is the Soccer Dance.
2. If Kevin does not receive enough volunteers to chaperone, the dance will be cancelled and the penalty is \$500.00.

Action: Brett Morrow and Gregor Wright need to send the chaperone list to Kevin by Wednesday.

### **First Aid-Matt Daud**

1. Dan Martyak reported that the first aid kits are filled.

### **Guidelines-Nancy Bonfanti-**

1. Nancy has nothing to report.

### **Recreation Board-Butch Scerbo**

1. The Recreation Board met with a few of the Supervisors at the Recreation Sub Committee Meeting to discuss the Recreation Board Ordinance.
2. The Recreation Board submitted the revised Ordinance and resubmitted.

### **Scholarship-Colleen Ziegenhorn**

1. Colleen will update the scholarship forms and drop the forms off at the High School.

**Action: Colleen Ziegenhorn please email the scholarship form to Dan Martyak.**

### **Snack Bar-Simon Sikora**

1. Simon Sikora closed the snack bars until spring and will be opened for wrestling.

**Action: Don Miers notify Simon Sikora or Dan Martyak what items you would like in the snack bar.**

**Action: Don Miers would have to have volunteers fill the snack bar.**

**Action: Don Miers please email Dan Martyak and Simon Sikora the home wrestling schedule.**

### **Sportswear-Melissa Walsh and Dana Guffy**

1. Magnets are at the front desk.
2. Dana Guffy and Melissa Walsh would like to put up a sportswear display in the atrium of the Community Center.
3. Dan mentioned the possibility of purchasing a showcase to display the sportswear. Then the sportswear could be numbered and labeled for sale.

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

1. Web site is updated.

**Simon Sikora made a motion to close the meeting-2<sup>nd</sup> Butch Scerbo**

**All in Favor-All Opposed-None-Status-Approved**

Respectfully Submitted,

Melody Talpas,

Forks Township Athletic Association Secretary

