

Wadsworth Grizzlies Youth Football Boosters Club “Grooming Grizzlies for Tomorrow”

**Minutes of General Membership Meeting
Thursday, March 18, 2010**

In Attendance: Rich Egleston, Michelle Miller, Scott Doepker, Jen Lakhia, Todd Morello, Ty Houchin, Rick Mooney, Catina Stecz, Stephanie Might, Marsha Bebout, Ed Hauenstein, Dawn Knotts.

President, Rich Egleston, called the meeting to order at 7:04 and welcomed all in attendance.

Administrative Report by Jen Lakhia

After reviewing and approving the November, 2009 minutes. Motion made by Rick Mooney, seconded by Ty Houchin to approve meeting minutes as submitted.

Meeting date changes:

APRIL: Old date was April 15th, will be April 29th

JUNE: Old date was June 17th, will be June 3rd

OCTOBER: Old date was Oct 21st, will be Oct 28th

Financial Report by Scott Doepker

Scott informed the group that our tax information has been delivered to Corwin & Associates – we are well ahead of the deadline. No news on statements at this time. Motion was made by Ty Houchin, seconded by Catina Stecz to approve financials.

Directors' Reports

Old Business:

Rick Mooney: Non-restricted weight limits will be a change going into the 2010 season, this will apply to A – age12 for those players playing the line. Also, Highland has officially left our league.

Ty Houchin: Actively looking for other communities to join our league, currently looking at Revere and Barberton, among others. No response as of this time.

New Business:

Budget Plan: Rick and Ty are actively planning their budgetary needs for the purchase of new jerseys and helmets for varsity players. We will revisit this at the April meeting.

Registration Dates: 2 dates will be scheduled, one in May (May 15th or 22nd), and one in June (June 19th or 26th)

Once dates have been decided upon, a flyer will be sent to the schools (Jen and Rich are working on this); Jen will then also need to contact WHS to reserve entryway, west gym, and the commons for registration. Jen will also need to contact Rittman Medical Center to be on hand for both registration dates.

Coach Clinics: Rick is shooting for a July date for Coach Clinics, date and details to come.

Photographer: Still actively looking for a photographer to handle team photos. A number of options are being considered.

Ed Hauenstein / Flag: First Flag Football meeting will be held March 23 at Steiners. Ed informed the group of the biggest change to flag for 2010 will be with regard to age groups: Four-year olds will now be on their own separate teams, with a shortened game time and practice times scheduled to run back-to-back with the game times. Then, 5 and 6 year-olds will be together; 7 and 8 year-olds will be together.

Executive Report – Rich Egleston

Old Business

Bylaws: Rich is working on this, his goal is to communicate the changes via email, in order to gradually complete this large task!

New Business

Functional Organization Charts: Rich and Michelle have made some changes as of last year, will be sending out an updated version, possibly to be posted on the WYFBA website.

Media Protocol/Website: Looking to make the VP position the person who now controls keeping the website up to date, to replace Tom Oz who currently handles this. VP Michelle Miller is up for the task!

Field Committee, Rich Wise: Rich reported on behalf of Rich; Tues March 23rd Rich is meeting w/Mayor Laubaugh & Superintendent Fortner to get a clear idea of what we can expect from them as far as their supporting our construction of the scaled-down facility at Fieldcrest. Longer term issue is a storage facility that

will be needed in the future. We also have acquired 2 new sets of bleachers. Fertilization and cross hatch seeding will be done soon as well. Signage may be put up, per the Directors, to clearly designate the Home and Visitor sign, to eliminate some of the confusion some people felt last year.

Rich had a request from the WHS Football Coach to do a separate skills camp at Fieldcrest (this would be in addition to our camp run by Coach Snowball), we will support this!

Fundraising

Grants, Michelle Miller: Michelle is actively pursuing opportunities for available grants.

Fundraising Chair Report, Catina Stecz: Catina has been busy getting info on Night at the Races venues: looked at several locations, Houston Hall in Norton would be the best deal as far as including food, we would bring in beer, wine, pop & cups. She also is looking at the Race operator that does St V, he is approx \$500 for the night. We will then need volunteers to run the betting windows. July 30th is a tentatively reserved date, this is a Friday. We need to start promoting this event asap, probably at registration. Catina is also busy compiling a report to provide a projected outlay, income, and of course profit for the organization.

Sponsorship, Mike Callow: Mike not present, but will be updating us at the April meeting.

Spirit Wear, Marsha Bebout: Marsha is waiting on proposal from CSI right now, also she will be doing an inventory on what is left from last year.

Concessions, Cathy Morello: Todd represented Cathy. Cathy has been in contact with Coke, she is trying to reserve a trailer in the contingency plan that the bldg will not be ready. One item to think about is possible needs to replace equipment, such as popcorn machine which is very old and in need of major repair. Todd will provide numbers for replacement of needed machines.

Other Items

WHS Student Volunteers: Stephanie Might is meeting with WHS for WYFB to be on the list for community service hours...a number of ideas were discussed, from using the student volunteers for field set up & tear down to concessions.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Ty Houchin, seconded by Catina Stecz.