

GYAA Executive Board Meeting Minutes 6/5/18

Location: Stanton Hall Huntington, MA Meeting called to order at 8:10pm

Board Members present

Jason Fogue, Barbara Small, Jen Smith, Annie Pritchard, Cindy Harris, & Nick Balboni

Old Business:

Jason has ordered the plaques for rec soccer and basketball, will just need to add pictures and distribute to sponsors.

Still trying to get Chuck Boissonneault to be Rec Basketball Director

Nick check with Russell for use of gym for summer league, they have given permission, still need to work out building access details.

Treasurer's Report:

Cindy hasn't been able to do complete report, will email when done. Account has a current balance of \$6,311.99

New Business:

Colin Redhead and Chad attended meeting. Went over the Xara Dinomites Program. Program will provide a shirt, shorts, socks, a ball, flyers, and instructions to set up and get the program rolling. Kits come in male and female versions, matching shinguards can be also purchased for an additional cost to parents. Cost per kit is estimated to be between \$35-\$45. Board unanimously approved to try this program depending on final pricing. Colin said he would donate 10% to get programs started.

Colin suggested we do 3&4 year old program and 5 year old program, rather than having them all together, with smaller teams, focusing more on skills rather than games. Get parents involved with working with the kids rather than having a coach, just have an activity organizer. Cost could be a factor as cori checks are now \$8.00 each. Xara has themed uniforms for all age groups.

Jason would like to move forward with a golf tournament fundraiser, location doesn't matter. Also maybe get a small group of kids together weekly to just go play golf.

Annie would like to talk to school committee members to see what can be done for the betterment of GYAA and Gateway's relationship. Jason informed board members that we will not have field use next to booster for the next two years, due to it being fixed, and that we also can no longer set up fields incorporating baseball and softball outfields. Might be perfect timing to move to Chester.

Jason would like to set up floor hockey at some point.

We all agreed, there should be two days of tryouts/evaluations, so that everyone attends at least one day. Days need to be set far enough apart and in advance so that parents can plan ahead. Need to eliminate automatically making the team.

Discussed sending some teams to roots and keeping some in Pioneer Valley. Annie has a group of girls that want to play, but ages may be a factor if playing under PV rules. We believe the boys team will also be an issue.

Jamboree June 9th & 10th at Gateway. Meeting at Gateway Wednesday to paint, Thursday to hang nets. Friday finish off what didn't get done. Cindy will try to organize volunteers for Saturday and Sunday jamboree to make sure there are GYAA members present at all times.

Board talked about raising player registration fees and eliminating free/reduced lunch discount option from sportsmanager, as entire Chester School receives free lunch. Suggested that we perhaps have parents show proof of being eligible for discount. Agreed to keep multiple children discounts.

Meeting adjourned 10:20pm