

Towson Recreation Council

Board Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2009

Attendance: Greg Gabell, President
Lorie Kolesa, Vice President
Denise Kochanek, Secretary
Marcus Partlow, Treasurer
Kate Terry, Recs & Park
Anna Vella
Tammy Coccagna
Jen Bolster
Karen Fragetta
Rick Howington
Kevin Wight

Guests: Jordan Miller
John Blair
Martin Brakke

Meeting came to order at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes Approval: Minutes of January 7, 2009 meeting were discussed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Marcus provided the Treasurer's Report. A new computer system, software and a telephone was purchased for the office for \$1,370.00.

Old Business:

Adoption of Code of Conduct – The Board discussed the Code of Conduct. Once approved by the Board, it will be posted on the website and distributed to all participants, including any player/participant wearing a Towson uniform or participating in any activity operating under the auspices of the Towson Recreation Council. The Code of Conduct will be incorporated with any online registration. It was agreed that any consequences for not following the Code of Conduct does not need to be included in the Code. After discussion, a Motion was made to adopt the Code of Conduct. The Motion passed and the Code of Conduct was approved.

Dumbarton Scoreboard Update – Kate reported that the scoreboard has been delivered and will be installed during Spring break. The scoreboard has the ability to keep score for all sports and has the ability to add sponsors. Greg suggested that an announcement should be placed in the Towson Times, since this is the first middle school in the area to have this type of scoreboard. Karen volunteered to call Nelson Coffin about publishing an announcement.

New Business:

Roller Hockey Program Proposal – Jordan Miller and John Blair proposed an outdoor roller hockey program. They see it starting out as a clinic and evolving into a league. They suggested that it be held on Saturday or Sunday mornings at Overbrook Park. The Board posed several questions regarding supervision/referees, ages, skill levels and costs. Jordan and John will come to the next Board Meeting with a written proposal and budget for additional discussion.

Wrestling Program Proposal - Martin Brakke, the Wrestling Assistant Coach at Towson High School proposed a wrestling program for high school boys. He provided a written proposal to all Board Members. After a discussion, the Board requested that he return to the next Board Meeting with a budget for additional discussion.

Spring Sports Update - Baseball – Rick reported that they are in need of fields. Towsontown Recreation Council may be able to help with that. The program has expanded this year, with over 500 participants.

- Girls' Lacrosse – Tammy reported that this will be a “rebuilding” year for this program. They had a good registration, with over 100 participants for the clinic.

Program Reports:

Boys Soccer – Lorie reported that boys' soccer registration will begin on April 1, 2009.

Tennis – Anna reported that the league will begin in March. The courts at Stoneleigh will be sprayed for poison ivy.

Girls Basketball – Karen reported that they are finished for the season, and was very happy with the program this year.

Girls Soccer – Jennifer reported that girls' soccer registration will begin on March 1, 2009 and will close on June 1, 2009.

Fencing – Kevin reported that the program is doing fine.

Ballet - Denise thanked Kate and Cynthia for getting the floor cleaned in the Stoneleigh Activity Room. The Recital is on Sunday, May 3, 2009 at Dumbarton.

Staff Reports – Kate Terry reported that on September 12, 2009, the Baltimore County Parks & Recreation Council will host a Bull Roast at Oregon Ridge to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Parks & Recreation Council.

Kate provided a copy of an Incident Report form to be used by all programs. If any incident occurs and this form is used, a copy must be given to her as soon as possible. She will need that Report to respond to any inquiries.

As a reminder regarding employees, please note that the employees cannot start working until she confirms that they are on payroll. Please allow time for the paper work to be processed. She will call the chairperson once the employee is on payroll.

Cynthia is requesting a mail box sorter to replace the envelopes now being used in the office. A Motion was made to purchase the mail box sorter for the office, with a maximum purchase price of \$200.00. After a discussion, the Motion was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.