



Meeting Minutes – February 8, 2017

In attendance: Dan Auciello, Diane Spiegelhoff, Andrew Zaborney, Chris Hill, Steve Zmijewski, John Berner, Paul Wasserman, Rich O'Brien, Donna Faulkenberry

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:35 PM.

Minutes from the January Meeting: Corrections were made to the minutes regarding the Santa Ride and the Budget Update. John Berner made a motion to accept the revised minutes, Donna Faulkenberry seconded, and all were in favor.

COMPLETED PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- No completed events.

STATUS OF ACTIVE PROGRAMS:

- Volleyball
 - No report
- Floor Hockey
 - Program is running well
 - 6 weeks left, will finish at the end of March
 - More kids this year than last year
 - Can form full teams in the younger league, and the senior program plays 6 v. 6
- Adult Basketball
 - Want to see if a senior league can be created, will discuss in March
 - The first aid kit and the ice packs were replenished
 - New policy – AED will need to be at every REC event
 - REC member will need to be there to operate AED
 - Currently, there is no one at Adult Basketball and Volleyball, will need to change this when the AED policy is put into effect
- Indoor Soccer
 - Friday night league – have only had two nights, started January 18
 - Will only have 6 weeks instead of 10

- Saturday night league – going well
 - 2 coaches want to be certified in the Rutgers Class
- The new balls are being used
- Will need new nets that are collapsible, the ones being used are on their last legs
- Rutgers Coach Certification Class
 - Will be held on Saturday, March 4, from 9 AM to 12 PM
 - Will cost \$30.50
 - Will be held in the Media Center in High School
 - The limit will be 20 people
 - Advertising started February 9

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- “A Blessing for Mayor Ed Seeley” Sunday February 12
 - Paul Wasserman went to represent the REC Department at the ceremony for Ed Seeley
- Flag Football
 - 79 players, 9 coaches registered
 - It was confirmed that the grass would get cut every two weeks
- T-Ball
 - Have 22 players and 7 coaches registered
 - Begins Saturday, April 1
 - Have field equipment
 - Need more players

OLD BUSINESS:

- Rec Dinner
 - Was held on February 12 at Taverna, paid for by REC Members
- By-Laws Revisions/Policy Update
 - The following changes to the By-Laws were proposed:
 - The board will now consist of 13 members instead of 11
 - Will have 4 alternate members instead of 2
 - Members have to live in Spotswood, New Jersey
 - Other formatting/wording changes were made
 - These changes will be voted on in the next meeting
 - A photographer is not considered a member, just a paid position
 - Will have one more policy meeting on March 2 at 7:30 PM
 - New policies that will be discussed in the March meeting:
 - Donation
 - Incident
 - AED

- Communications
 - Rutgers Certification
 - Payment
 - How to bring in new programs
 - Event Sponsorship
 - Code of Ethics
 - Parental behavior
- Will all put all on the website, maybe a PDF or just on the website itself
 - The code of ethics and payment policy can be put on the registration website as well
- Can make a coach's packet with all of the policies they would need (incident policy, etc.)
- Will be discussed at the March meeting
- Best Buy Update
 - Now have an account with Best Buy
 - Can purchase the sound equipment with capital account money
 - Will cost \$1,270, there is less than \$5,000 in the account now
 - Can use the sound system for opening day, the Spotswood 5k, and the Tree Lighting
 - Won't have to borrow the school's anymore
- Communications Updates
 - Rutgers Class notification went out February 9
 - Flag Football will go out end of February
 - T-Ball reminder will go out in the beginning of March
 - Registration closed March 15th
- Check Policy
 - Only one person has wanted to pay by check so far
 - Some people still owe money from last year
 - Can send them a letter from the Spotswood Borough if needed
 - Can also suspend their account so they can't sign up for other events until they pay
 - Check step in policy might have to change

NEW BUSINESS:

- S'Woodstock 2017
 - A subcommittee will be made for S'Woodstock, Dan Auciello will be the chairperson
 - Meeting to be held the same day as the Policy meeting
 - Steve Zmijewski reached out to the empanada people, more will be discussed at the meeting

- The front of the school was reserved for the event
- A member of the Jersey Street Sounds band made a donation to the schools
 - Andrew Zaborney talked to him about playing at S'Woodstock
 - Goes with the theme
 - Can split the day between two bands
- Signs can be ordered soon for S'Woodstock along with the Tree Lighting, the 5K, the Fishing Derby, and Trunk or Treat or other events
- Project Senior Week Donation Request
 - This year the class is doing a week of activities instead of on graduation night
 - They want donations for a day at Black Bear Lake Country Club
 - The REC Department voted to donate \$100 to the class
 - Rich O'Brien made a motion to accept this, Chris Hill seconded, and all were in favor
- Easter Egg Event
 - April 8 at 1 PM
 - Will try to reserve the high school gym
 - Will try to combine the event with helping the CUP food pantry
 - Will ask everyone to bring a non-perishable to donate to the pantry, can set up a table in the foyer for it
 - Can get the students to help man the table
 - PTA is partnering with the REC Department for the event
 - Wireless mic will be set up for the hunt
- HIB (Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying) Training
 - Parents can get unruly, coaches need to be trained what to do in these situations
 - Can train the coaches while they are getting AED training
 - Can make them watch a five-minute video when they register as a coach in the system
 - Can put a link in the coach's packet and make them answer two questions so they watch it
 - Can put information in the code of conduct about it
 - Will make parents know this exists
- Coach Recognition Day
 - Andrew Zaborney suggested giving all of the coaches out for a barbeque to thank them
 - Can play horseshoes, volleyball
 - The kids of the coaches can be invited
 - Can be held before school ends, after S'Woodstock
 - May bring out more coaches
 - Coaches aren't officially thanked by the REC Department
 - Can recognize them on the Facebook page, build on it

- Can put a slide for them on the projection at the Tree Lighting
 - Rich O'Brien to draft a Thank You letter
- Other Updates
 - Donna is now on the cancellation list from Kayla
 - Can blast cancellation through the registration system
 - Website Training
 - Will be held at 7 PM on March 8 before the next meeting

Steve Zmijewski made a motion to adjourn at 8:56 PM. Paul Wasserman seconded, and all were in favor.