

Spring Lake Park Panther Youth Football Association

Board of Directors Meeting

August 6th, 2023

Online: Microsoft Teams
Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katie Long | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peter Anderson* | <input type="checkbox"/> Phil Ghizoni |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nathan Labansky | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Roelofs | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marc Gatto |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Sanks | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Baskin | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Wegwerth |

Community Members: N/A

Guests: N/A

* Arrived 8:38pm

Agenda

- Open Meeting (8:02pm)
 - Eric Sanks made motion to start. Marc Gatto seconds. Board approved.
 - A quorum is present.
- Approval Of July 16th Minutes
 - Marc Gatto made motioned to approve. Nathan Labansky seconded. Board approved.
- Approval Of July 25th Minutes
 - Marc Gatto made motioned to approve. Nathan Labansky seconded. Board approved.
- Approval Of August 6th Agenda
 - Eric Sanks made motioned to approve. Jason Roelofs seconded. Board approved.
- Executive Reports
 - President/Vice-President
 - Equipment Handout
 - Katie Long noted handout is from 5:00pm – 7:00pm. Setup will need to occur before that time. Folding table, chairs, scale, additional supplies are needed. Eric Sanks will generate a check-in & check-out list based on registrations.
 - Scrimmage Date
 - Katie Long noted getting field space for scrimmages has difficult. The 25th was unavailable so the 24th was attempted but needed to be changed due to other SLP HS sports conflicts. The board agreed we should try the 23rd, otherwise cancel scrimmage night for 2023.
 - Treasurer
 - N/A
- 7th Grade Coach
 - (Via Email) A coach was found to lead the second 7th grade team. The coach was interviewed by Nathan Labansky. Nathan Labansky made motion to approve Jon Burkhov for head coach of the second 7th grade team. Jason Wegwerth seconded. Board had unanimous response & approval.
- Phil Ghizoni submitted a resignation letter from the SLP Panther Youth Football Board via email on July 31st.

- He stated he would wrap up some financial tasks & redirect financial request as they arrive.
- Some physical documentation was transferred to Nathan Labansky.
- 5th Grade Coach
 - (Via Email) The approval of paying a coach was discussed and the amount of \$2k was proposed. It was mentioned that from what is known in other youth sports, this seemed in line and reasonable. Nathan Labansky made motion to approve a budget of \$2k for a head coach position in 5th grade. Jason Wegwerth seconded. Board had unanimous response & approval.
 - After an extensive search, a coach candidate was found to lead the 5th grade team during 2023. The coach was interviewed by Peter Anderson & Katie Long.
 - (Via Email) Peter Anderson made motion to approve Bill Lewis for head coach of the 5th grade team. Nathan Labansky seconded. Board had unanimous response & approval.
- New Treasurer
 - The role & responsibilities were discussed by Katie Long. No members expressed interest in taking the position. Therefore, Eric Sanks agreed to take on the position for the remainder of 2023.
 - Nathan Labansky made motion to approve Eric Sanks to fill the Treasurer position. Jason Roelofs seconds. Board approved.
 - Eric Sanks will get Treasurer's document box from Nathan Labansky & work with Katie Long to get access to relevant financial resources.
- Team Formation Items
 - All teams should be formed now & loaded into SportsEngine.
 - Jason Roelofs noted that through the process some things were learned/discussed. Any amendments to the process will be discussed at year end for possible addition/modification.
 - Eric Sanks noted there are outstanding eligibility exemption players potentially be added to teams.
- Coach Certification
 - Peter Anderson noted this is well on its way. Several coaches have begun and/or completed the process so far. Peter Anderson will send a follow-up email reminder later this week and will discuss getting Katie Long access as a second person in the process.
- Eligibility
 - Exemption requests & related documentation received were discussed. A total of 8 requests were made; 7 of them were deemed appropriate for approval with 1 a desire to assist them to get to their appropriate association (if possible).
 - Ezequiel Maldonado
 - Jossiah Davis
 - Cece Eggers
 - Jackson Eggers
 - Quentin Emmons
 - Kellen Brown
 - Easton Liddicoat
 - Benaiah Abu
 - Kaden Slavik
- Scholarships
 - Katie Long noted there are approximately 40 total scholarships. Equipment deposits for these were discussed. Based on previous history the risk here seems low in the board's opinion. The board will move forward as is and will utilize coaches more for making sure equipment is returned & accounted.
- Website & Technology
 - Eric Sanks provided an update on where the website is currently positioned. A request for any additional information to add or to update on the site was made.
- Program Development
 - Flag Items

- Eric Sanks noted the registration numbers are good at 30+ but there is a need for flag football head coaches.
- Miscellaneous / Open Discussion
 - Champlin Jamboree Aug 27th
 - Nathan Labansky mentioned an additional scrimmage opportunity. There is no specific cost; Food donations are requested. The board will support teams who wish to attend. Nathan Labansky will head up the coordination & communication of this item.
 - Board Member Recruitment
 - There will be several openings on the board this year. It was noted it may be beneficial and/or desired to encourage members to apply from a distribution across younger grades.
 - A donation of \$2.4k to SLP HS has been made in the past. Katie Long suggested the association continue this process. Jeff Baskin made motion to approve. Peter Anderson seconded. Board approved.
- Upcoming Meeting Date(s)
 - September 17th @ 6:30pm
- Close Meeting (9:00pm)
 - Eric Sanks made motion to end. Marc Gatto seconds. Board approved.