



FISHTOWN A.C. MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 2025

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\_\_\_\_\_ Location: Shissler Recreation Center

Date: November 5, 2025

Time: 7:22 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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Members present:

Joe Beck – President  
Mike Shissler – Vice President  
Marylise Griffis – Secretary  
James Manuel - Treasurer  
Dave Dougherty – Athletic Director  
Sean Callahan – Baseball Director  
Kevin Bonner – In-House Director  
Jean Rhoades – Soccer Director  
Tony Reilly – Board Member  
Frank Gallagher – Board Member

Members not present:

Donnie Welte – Basketball Director  
Denis Devine – Acting Basketball Director  
Kate Logan – Softball Director

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Call to order: 7:22 p.m.

1) Executive Board

- a. The board has appointed Kate Logan as the new Softball Director.
- b. Dave is assisting Denis Devine as Acting Basketball Director during Donnie's absence.

2) By Laws

- a. The by laws are currently being revised.
- b. The board recognizes that the by laws require modernization to meet the club's needs.

3) Financials

- a. Club is receiving a refund from EDP League in the amount of \$900.
- b. Fiscal year ended September 30<sup>th</sup>.
- c. The club has secured pro bono legal assistance to complete the year-end tax documentation and 501c3 status.
- d. Draft numbers for the end of fiscal year are positive over \$20,000.

4) Soccer

- a. Wrapping up Fall season. Fishtown Spider Dragons finished as City runner-up.

- b. We are hosting the PPR Championship on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Games will be at 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 2:00 p.m.
- c. The PPR All-Star game is Thanksgiving Eve.
- d. Mandatory PPR coaches meeting on December 11<sup>th</sup>.
- e. ADIDAS funds are being used to order futsal balls, goalie gloves.
- f. Discussed commitment clauses being added to registration and a parent/child conduct form.
- g. The board would like to schedule an in-person meeting with all parents with children registered for soccer to discuss expectations regarding parent conduct on the field to ensure a positive environment for all participants.
- h. Indoor soccer practice starts in December.
- i. In-house soccer will start January 13<sup>th</sup> to February 17<sup>th</sup>.

## 5) Baseball

- a. Fall ball was an overall success with 4 teams.
- b. Sean wants to organize a 12U All-Star game.

## 6) Basketball

- a. There will be 9 teams; 5 boys, 4 girls.  
Boys teams are U8, U10, U10, U12, U14.  
Girls teams are U8, U10, U12, U14.
- b. Travel starts January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

- c. Northeast High School offered gym if needed for reschedule/makeup.
- d. Uniforms are being ordered through Areli Sports.
- e. The club needs an In-House Coach for basketball. The season for in-house will be from December 2<sup>nd</sup> to January 6<sup>th</sup>.**

## 7) Hetzells

- a. Frank, Greg Fox, and Shawn Murphy are coordinating to winterize the field. Shawn is managing the responsibilities of the sprinkler system and getting the pipe fixed for sprinkler system and shutdown for winter.
- b. The board is obtaining quotes from demo/trash removal companies to remove the old PVC, fencing, garage door, and trash from Thompson and Earl corner of field.
- c. Bleachers need to be replaced. Frank would like the cost split between Hetzells and Fishtown AC.
- d. Frank would like to purchase a leaf blower to take care of the dirt in the dugout.
- e. Boards need to be put along the fence to keep dirt on field and out of dugout.
- f. Fence holes need to be repaired.
- g. Empty shed will need to be removed by spring.
- h. Hetzells will be closed from December 15<sup>th</sup> to March 15<sup>th</sup>.
- i. By the spring season, all boxes/sheds of equipment need to be locked and an inventory list kept.

- j. Scoreboard needs electrical work. Board will inquire if there are any local electricians in the area that can volunteer their time to inspect it.

## 8) Fundraising

- a. Snack stand generated close to \$1,000 in the few weeks it has been running. To help maintain the fundraising progress, we will be asking the rec leader if we can offer a limited snack stand during our indoor season. Volunteers are needed.
- b. Tony did a small test run of merchandise with t-shirts and hoodies. They are currently being sold at the snack stand. The next step is adding them to an online store.
- c. Kick wall is almost complete with signage. Order is being put in for Murph's Bar, Hearts for Haley, Primo Hoagies, Middle Child, Black Sheep Pub, and Static Age Studios as well as a batting cage banner for Trey Dodge, Realtor. There are two or three spots available.
- d. Board is in the beginning discussions of hosting a Beef and Beer/Alumni Reunion and honoring old teams.

## 9) PTSSD

- a. The board will prepare a grant proposal and engage in discussion to outline and prioritize the organization's needs and projected costs. Some ideas are a new batting cage (fencing, cage, turf) estimate \$5,000. Bullpen/warm-up area on field or short 40-foot cage. New sheds for equipment.

Next meeting is scheduled for December 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

*Maryelise Griffis*

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Joe Beck - President