

BFAB Meeting February 17, 2011

Board Members Present: Doug Snyder, Dan Spriggs, Mark Wald, Sheri Wald, Rob Deacon, Andie Scamehorn, Duane Arens

Members Present: Smith Bradley, Bill Ballot

Meeting called to order at 7:35

Open mike discussion:

Smith Bradley came to bring up his concerns regarding helmets and to advocate for new next generation helmets. The group discussed the visit with the Schutt equipment representative and what we had discussed regarding new helmets and reconditioning and the continued evaluation of equip so that it is the safest possible. A number of parents have bought their own for a variety of reasons – concussions, sanitary, etc.. We will implement ID system to track age of helmets.

Bill Ballot expressed his opinion regarding flag football, and that we should move forward with that. He also echoed comments made regarding helmets.

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from January 18, 2011 were reviewed, moved and approved unanimously at 7:45.

Bylaws discussion

Mark presented a revised version of the bylaws (Side discussion regarding ongoing meeting schedule, group decided 2nd Thursday of the month is better than 3rd Thursday as most of the other committees meet the third week and it gets to be a bit much for folks active in all groups) **Motion to approve bylaws moved and seconded – unanimous 8:00**

Committee report:

Equipment: (Doug) Helmets – passed out quote from Paul Kokesh –36 to be done at \$22.95 each, at a cost of approx. \$826.21. They should be done around March 18.

New Business

Coach Selection Process policy

Mark handed out document outlining a coaching selection process – group discussion.

Approved unanimously by committee at 8:17



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Team Formation policy

Discussion: Ensuring fairness when splitting into two teams at any grade level. It seems that the fairest way is a blind draft. (Done this past fall for the 4th grade team) Blind draft necessary, and honesty of adults that know the kids and are evaluating the kids.

Discussion regarding team size and the need for bigger teams as the kids get older, specialization is critical and teams need larger rosters to compete. What works at 2^{nd} grade won't work for 7th grade.

Discussion regarding roster size, and late registrations – numbers are stated on registration itself. Do we want to turn kids away? Should it be coaches/commissioners decision?

Additional Business

Motion to form committee to write-create a parent/player football handbook – expectations regarding respect, attendance, effort, behavior, etc.., will be outlined in a document to be reviewed and signed by both players and parents. This is to help mitigate some of the behavior issues generally encountered by coaches (not only in football, but all sports) and outline clearly expectations and communicate them to parents and players. Motion passes (Andie, Rob to contact Chris Hergenrader) (Bill Ballot will get some hockey ones, Pat Fagerlee is a resource, Hal Goldstein with MAYLA lacrosse)

Coaches present echoed the need for some kind of help with this, and added issues such as:

Drop off/Pick up of players Roughhousing Playing time Expected performance/participation Inappropriate behavior – discipline progression Survey of the coaches. Need for a Coaches mentor

ACTION ITEM: Check with Kim regarding background checks – what do they cover/one per person per year as people coach multiple sports – overall Booster check?

ADDENDUM

The board approved via an email majority a specific t-shirt logo design for the summer Husky camp. Email originated from Mark Wald.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00



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Next meeting will be the second Thursday in March, 2011 (3-10-11). This was changed to March 17, 2011 as there was no space the community center on March 10.