

MARCH 21, 2024 | [SYA Meeting](#)

Attendees: Jim B, Jenn B, Frank A., Naldo, Michele, Bryon, Bill, Josh G., Kenny, Josh G., Liz, Lauren, Jen B., Annie G., Arden, Shaun, Elizabeth E., Manica L., with seven high school student volunteers to babysit approximately eleven children.

1. **Call to Order:** Jim called to order at 7:10pm
2. **Motion to Approve December Minutes:** Michele motioned to approve, no objections.
3. **Board Member Reports:**
 - a. **Secretary:** Announcement of new meeting location and request for feedback.
 - b. **Treasurer:** Arden wrote:

“Checking: \$16,892
Savings: \$1,928
Building: \$11,816
Total: \$30,636

Updated the Documents and Forms page on the website with monthly meeting minutes, certificates of insurance, and W9. **Need updated Small Games of Chance and Charitable Organization Certificate”**
 - c. **President:** **Push Phantoms tickets**, we have to get about 150 tickets. So far only 27 have been sold. New posters and announcements will need to go out.
 - d. **Vice President:** Brian wrote:

“Success of the parade and Swag.
Next year will be organized together, also we discussed planning for the Halloween Parade
Updating all documents and saving to a Thumb drive, does anyone have SYA official documents to share?”
Fundraising Docs & association wide sponsor levels”
Discussion: Parade was fun and had good turn out. Participants handed out SYA bracelets and candy. Bryon will try to organize the same type of thing for the Halloween parade. Bryon says he will take over the background checks from Frank. **Byron had two forms for Directors to use to send out for fundraising and soliciting sponsors. It turns out that there is a tab on Sports Engine where forms can be uploaded that only Directors can access. This can be useful for making docs available.**
 - e. **Communications Officer:** Adam wrote:

“Social media/parent feedback 76.95
Reimbursement for video editing software \$58,
Cellphone gimbal 149.90
Video editing effects package 149.9”
Discussion: **\$745.10 total approved for the above expenses (Frank moved to approve, Annie seconded, no objections).**
 - f. **Administrative:** Frank has to order port-a-potties wherever they may be needed. There is already one at the middle school, the parks already have bathrooms as well. It costs \$135 / month for the rental but **at this time it doesn't look like we need rentals (of port a potties).** Although often at Laubach the bathrooms are locked. Frank noted that the police are supposed to open them. Jim Lavernia at the Township says repairs have not been done at the Warehouse but all materials are purchased. The Electrician will give us a list of needed things for the electrical work which we can get donations for. Frank is running the baseball

Lottery Card for two Booster club (softball and baseball). It's about \$65 to run the Lottery, should we bill the Booster clubs or have SYA cover the cost? Consensus is that SYS should bill.

4. Old Business

- a. Fundraiser updates (ie. Urban Air, Phantoms): Arden writes "IronPigs game information will be sent out this weekend." Discussion: no Urban Air coupons have been purchased yet, encourage families with this fundraiser as well.
- b. Wiffle Ball Tournament: Arden wrote: "Wiffle Ball Tournament being pushed to late summer/early fall. Having conversations with Genny, the Recreation Director, about giving us an exemption to have alcohol. Emmaus can not host because they are booked solid. I also have an email in to Alton Park (Percey Ruhe) about being able to have it there but would rather have it at Laubach if possible." Still trying to find a place that can be approved for alcohol. Frank says Salisbury is unlikely to permit any event with alcohol for fear of setting a precedent. SYA will need to take some more time to get as many teams registered as possible. Alton Park may be the only one that allows alcohol.
- c. SYA Community Day (Shaun) Lauren is working with Monica Deeb, going to try to use the Middle School. No date yet but after Lauren's meeting with Monica on 3/22/24 maybe we will have a meeting, hoping for 5/4 still—Can be Star Wars themed if on 5/4/24. Will Wrestling do a showcase? Liz says maybe not as it would require getting mats out there. Shaun is looking for sponsors and already has many donations for a basket raffle. If we get the Middle School, the cafeteria can be used for basket raffle and food.
- d. Reading #1 of proposed bylaws:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E4FeUoGzT5JK84BcKnPE2hcuWZMVgSyWUFA4G0QNuSQ/edit?usp=sharing>
Several major Changes read through by Secretary, no objections.

5. New Business

- a. LOGO/Brand usage & marketing (added by Arden) – deferred
- b. Documents Location for Directors: eg Tax Exempt Form (discussion about Sports Engine) – There is a place on Sports Engine that only Directors can access where documents can be uploaded and made available for just directors (like fundraising letters, receipts for donations, incident reports, etc.)
- c. Social media parent outreach focus – Push the Phantoms Day event, we need 128 more tickets purchased.
- d. Social Media funding (approved – see notes under Communications Director).

6. Directors' Reports

- a. **In- House Baseball:** Kenny wrote
"67 total registrations.
2 Minors Teams.
4 Tee Ball Teams.
Rosters are set. Had first two gym practices.
Have 10 raffle baskets for Opening Day, aiming for April 20th, but need to know if Travel will be using Labauch that day.
Chief Sabo reached out to me to let me know we will have a police presence on Opening Day as well.
Connected with Coach Jaroby from Fountain Hill Little League, working on setting up some scrimmages or exhibition games with Minors.
No word from Mountainville. –they are doing their "own" thing.

Online merch store is live. Every item sold gets In-House a kickback which increases every 12 items sold. All money made will go towards end of season picnic.

On the hunt for an electrician or radio hobbyist who can donate some time to take a look at the scoreboard equipment at Labauch.

Checked the tractor this past Saturday and she's working fine.

Need to install new home plate at upper field.

Ordered uniforms.

No budget information as of right now.

Iron Pigs reached out to share a volunteer program where SYA members could work food & beverage stands and make \$12 an hour for SYA."

Discussion: Feedback from parents on Fall baseball is that it was great that the focus was on fun. There is a plan for Little league scrimmages to be set up with Coach Jacoby at Fountain Hill so Minors can have more games. April 20 is opening day for in-house. The Iron Pigs have opportunities for people to work for donations, in case SYA is interested (see notes above). Home plates need to be replaced on the fields. Bill and Kenny are going to pick up new plates on 3/22/24.

b. Travel Baseball: Bill wrote

"CWL Season starts 4/17

2 Bidy (A&B), 3 Midget (1 A & 2 B)

1 KH, 1 JCM, 1 CM Online Clothing fundraiser - \$112.00 and Dicks \$2000 donation. Uniforms will arrive week of 4/12.

Preseason Southern Lehigh league will only be in-house. JCM/CM unfortunately will not be able to participate. Looking at a couple of travel tournaments. Teams will start to practice outside next week.

Connie Mack meeting is tonight"

Discussion: No more southern Lehigh league due to them having a new director who is keeping it in-house. Looking at creating some "skills and drills" and for some tournaments to enter. Master Field Schedule is out, on a spread sheet, everyone has to keep that current and communicate about space (brief discussion about Franko being used for baseball and flag and getting a permit / insurance for that?).

c. Softball: Michele wrote: "30 registrations total - refunded 4 12U registrations because we didn't get enough for a team. Moved 3 8U up to 10UD2 - have two 10U teams D2 has 15 and D1 has 11.

Uniforms & other supplies have been ordered. Looking for an Assistant Director. Anyone know anyone wanting to be a softball ump please let me know - still experiencing shortage of umps" Discussion: New treasurer in the Fall Softball league means they need a new check, this one will be Spring and Fall fees together and the former Fall check from SYA can be voided.

d. Soccer: Shaun and Lauren wrote:

"We closed registration with 176 signups. Of those we had to refund 8 for a variety of reasons, including being unable to field a U15 team, leaving us with a total of 168:

31 Micros

24 U9 Girls

33 U9 Boys

22 U11 Girls

30 U11 Boys

28 U13 Co-Ed

Uniforms have been added and our online t-shirt store is being prepped to launch next week.

Weather permitting U9-U13 start practices next week and Micros will begin April 5th.

A new soccer club has been started in Salisbury by the Nolan family. Lauren Cline, Dan Cline, Lauren Wellbank and Shaun Hallman sat down with them to discuss potential overlap and came up with some ways we could work together to avoid pulling from the same pool of players and we all left the meeting feeling good and with some new ideas, which includes having FC Gore trainers volunteer to come out to a practice to spend some time with the players. We're hoping that this will allow SYA and FC Gore to develop a future relationship where we may be able to open up a travel or tournament league."

Discussion: Trying to create a relationship with the new Salisbury soccer travel league (the Nolans) which has trainers train the kids, this league will visit our teams with some of their trainers (it is suggested to try to make this an annual thing). The Nolans is a memorial league and competing at a higher level than SYA. SYA is essentially a feeder league for them. Our program is season by season, their program is a one-year longer commitment and camps in the summer and clinics throughout the year. They can send SYA players who are less competitive and SYA can work best players to move onto their league. Soccer budget reviewed (see end of minutes for budget) - there was a brief discussion about paint needed for field, **motion to approve (budget) by Adam and seconded by Michele with no objections.**

- e. **Football:** Naldo is running Mini Vikes, 2-3 teams (Kinder, 3-6 grades, 6-8 grades). Some families have wanted to disenroll with Mini Vikes so they can play with the SYA team (they have about 20 of ours) but at this point they will stay with Mini Vikes. They have already registered and paid Mini Vikes and it would be unsportsmanlike to take those registrations away from them at this point. Based on these numbers, it seems that a Fall program would be much bigger. So far, Naldo can coach and he may need another Dad or two.
- f. **Basketball:** Jenn and Naldo working on Summer Basketball.
- g. **Cheer:** Rebecca can get cheerleaders to the Flag games which is great so the girls can fulfill their cheer requirements. **Addendum:** Later it was discovered that Mini Vikes cannot allow our cheerleaders to cheer at their games.
- h. **Wrestling:** Liz wrote "We had the end of year banquet. Went great! (Thank you to Tom and Nicoll and the other volunteers for organizing). Tom is finalizing all the budget items from the end of the season. Will be meeting with Tom, and Mike to start switching over the various accounts and passing off the organization."
- i. **Concession Stand:** Kenny wrote: "Opened up on Saturday by Kenny Wellbank, Devon Dredge, Todd Baker, and Lauren Wellbank, Bryon Cramsey came by to check it out as well. More info to follow."

Discussion: There is structural damage, there is a volunteer who is going to do some repairs but the shed itself will not last longer than 1-2 more years. LCTI students might be able to build a new one (voluntarily?). All food needs to be thrown out. Got approval from township to use dumpster already. All fryer oil needs to be replaced. Brief discussion about how to pay for things

when shopping for the stand. For now, SYA has a Sams Club card for online orders which Jenn B can use, otherwise Jen can charge and order on her personal card and submit an invoice / expense report with receipts to be reimbursed.

7. **Open Discussion:** Do Directors want to cover players for the Iron Pigs or ask parents to play? It's easier to just say the player is free (\$11 / ticket). All agree to play for players. Michele needs umps. 16+ anyone who has played can ump and make about \$60 per game. Ump Associations will offer training. The next SYA meeting on 4/18 conflicts with the Middle school concert, changed to 4/25.
8. **Motion to Adjourn:** Arden motions to adjourn at 8:23pm, Jenn B. seconds.

The next SYA meeting will be 4/25/24, 7:00pm, in the SES Teacher's lounge, with childcare offered in the gym for kids who are potty trained.

SOCCKER SPRING 2024 BUDGET:

Soccer		Spring 2024
		Planned
Income:	Carried over from Fall	\$1500.00
	Registration Fees/Uniform Cost	\$14,090.00
	Fundraising Buyout	\$3,500.00
	Covered for Coaches	
	Hoagie Fundraiser	\$6,000.00
	T-shirt Sale	\$0.00
	Photo kickback (\$5 per picture)	\$250.00
Total:		\$23,590.00
Expenses:	Refunds	-\$703.10
	League Fees	-\$2,790.00
	SYA Fees (\$25/player)	-\$4,225.00
	Ref Fees	-\$2,430.00

	Uniforms	-\$2,237.75
	Hoagie Fundraiser	-\$3,000.00
	Field Paint	-\$945.00
	Contribution to SMS/Nets	\$0.00
	Equipment/Nets/Training	-\$500.00
	Season Gift (Shirts)	-\$4,000.00
	Scholarship	-500
	Banquet/Season Celebrations	-\$1,759.15
	Admin supplies (envelopes, printing, paperclips, post-its)	-500
	Carry Over to Fall	
Total:		-\$23,590.00
Grand Total:		\$0.00