



**GYFC Board Meeting**  
**Monday, February 12, 2024**  
**7:30 pm @ Guilford Community Center**

Starting time 7:30pm

Attendance

Board members: Ken Alberti, Jeff Manfredonia, Dan Tafro, Joe DeMayo, Alisha Rayner

Guest attendees: Meghan Lucas, Meg Johnson, Fran Hutchins, Joe Moffit, Jaime Plancon

**1. Welcome**

**2. Shoreline Report**

- a. Next meeting is Monday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> (rescheduled from 2/14)
  - i. Ken reviewed with attendees' structure of the shoreline board which includes a Competition Committee and Safety Committee
  - ii. Currently Shoreline league consists of 16 towns- aiming to bring in some new towns. Discussed the difficulty of towns being able to field teams at each age level- and as a result some towns have dropped out
  - iii. Board is currently reviewing some By-Law changes

**3. Treasurer's Report**

- i. Operating balance \$18,435. 63 (with \$4700 payment going out for lights)
- ii. Fundraising balance \$21,880.46
- iii. Total account \$35,616.09

**4. Cheer Report**

- i. Registration is open and currently has 5 registrants

**5. League Operations**

- a. Super Bowl Squares Contest – Winners Contacted
  - i. 100% squares sold; resulted in \$1,000 league profit
- b. Helmet Decals with Riddell
- c. 2024 Season Registration is Open
  - i. Football = 14 players registered
  - ii. Cheerleading = 5 players registered

**6. Committee Reports**

- a. Fundraising Committee
  - i. To meet 2/26 7pm
  - ii. \$12k in 2023 sponsorship; aiming for a goal of \$20k in 2024
- b. Player Experience Committee

- i. Discussed Events to enhance the player experience including: Kickoff Picnic, Pasta nights w/ Varsity, Youth Night at a Varsity Game, Pictures (Bishop Photo), Participant in the Fair Parade
- ii. Discussed hosting a Jamboree – bids must be received in April/ May
  - Discussed charges for towns to participate (\$400)
  - Discussed other potential associated costs; Trainer, EMT, Referees
  - Guilford hosted for a few years before Cheshire began hosting a couple years ago
  - Discussed volunteer involvement requirement
  - Will discuss at next Player Experience Committee for commitment so bids can be placed if we get proper support- Also discussed possibly waiting for next year
- iii. Discussed options for pictures- we have used Bishop Photo in the past (Youth Basketball used them this past year)
- iv. Discussed need for Consistency of experiences throughout the league
- v. Discussed offering Free Admission to Varsity games for players
  - Difficult as concern with supervision
- vi. Discussed Kickoff Picnic being held during the week to avoid vacation
- vii. Discussed working with the schools for more announcements ie: Registration Dates and Game Scores in season
- c. SYFC Championship Committee – TBD
  - i. Discussed hosting Championship Games
    - Discussed volunteer involvement requirement
    - Ken will confirm date of Championship Game and field availability

## **7. New Business**

- a. Recruitment
  - Discussed spreading the word amongst other families
  - Parents sharing their positive experiences
  - Creating a Culture
- b. “Enrichment” after school events with PTO
  - Joe DeMayo will follow up with PTO heads and work with Brian White for Varsity support from players
- c. Summer Camp
  - Nick Paradise was interested in developing. Would utilize support from Highschool
- d. Pancake Breakfast
  - Discussed a Mid-March “meet the coaches” breakfast. This would offer fundraising as well as opportunity for parents to meet with coaches and discuss off-season and in-season expectations

Meeting adjourned 8:51pm