



### **SVMFL GM Meeting Minutes 10/11/16**

**EBoard members:** Dave Schneider (President), Andy Pettola (Vice President), Heidi Lombardo (Cheer Director), Fred Parke (Safety Officer/Equipment Mgr.), Jason Malachowski (Flag Commissioner), Jerry Beaudoin (Tackle Commissioner), Brian Dunne (Director of Marketing), Ron Oakes (League Auxiliary) George Cardozo (Treasurer), Megan Evjen & Diana Evjen (Co-Secretary)

Attendees: Ted Mancini – WHYFL President, Jim Martin, Terri Pettola, Mason Forrest, Nathan Savage, Kelly Jarvis, Dave Bilodeau, Eric Drury, Dan Taraif, Jim Anderson, Mark Barren, Joe Diface, Harold Maxwell, Kasey Michaud, Brad Peterson, Kim Beaudoin, Clarissa Collado, Neftaly Collado, Chad Boudreau, Randy Jarvis

Meeting Start time/call to order was at 8:23 p.m. by Dave Schneider/President

Roll call by Megan Evjen

George Cardozo/Treasury

Balance

- A. Outstanding: Lights below 9K
- B. 2 more payments to officials 3,700 plus playoffs
- C. 12,000 pending on top of 36K
- D. Dave Lepray \$5/per player to play at the high school – 1,500 players approx. (Money is used to pay for turf and turf maintenance. All town-sponsored sports are invited to play at the High School. We are allowed to play, we choose not to: we have to open concession with our own, Dave Schneider is the only person who can announce at the HS game - large tasks so we opt to not take advantage.)

Heidi Lombardo/Cheer Commissioner

- A. Bake sale to benefit Dana Farber
- B. Miss Bootiful – contact Heidi or Kim at the Beardsley Zoo all proceeds go to Dana Farber

Dave Schneider/President

RED RIBBON – we have canceled all Thursday Oct 13 practices, asking our A division members to speak at STEPS program - Past two years, very few football players to represent

Ron Oakes/League Auxiliary

- A. 4165 CC 800 all rest cash – paid out to EMTS
- B. Fritters \$800
- C. Two issues with no show volunteers – they were dealt with accordingly
- D. As soon as our concession stand has room we will fill with additional Gatorade. (Chad B – offered a freezer for concession stand Kim B - offered donations from Canada)
- E. Good with parent Participation

Brian Dunne/Director of Marketing

SVMFL Fundraising

- A. Girls Powder puff 1500
- B. Concerns – safety – most concussions, mandated knee pads and head bands
- C. SVMFL paid for younger flag and we wanted similar
- D. GRANT for good headbands (approx. \$60) - This will be optional and we will highly stress that all coaches use – head to ground contact, ‘girls concuss more easily than males’
- E. GRANT – hoping to know by end of year for next season
- F. Additional donations will be available to players out on the field
- G. Still getting sponsors
- H. BIGGEST FUNDRAISER – concession, when we took back last year, single biggest fundraiser – why it’s important for parent volunteers (15K for season approx.)
- I. SVMFL Program Book
- J. 3000/ April –May targeted about 10K, we received 30% once program started every two weeks he would deposit money directly in to the account. Part of the money to program books –needed to give them the info for the program books, they would then print with vendors and info - only have ONE sponsor for the book. Knowing that we didn’t order the books as we get 30% regardless cost of books come from them.

Fred Parke/Safety Officer - Equipment Manager

- A. 10 headbands left
- B. We are loaning equip – need to make sure all equip is coming back and brought to practice
- C. Injuries DOWN as a whole this year
- D. Trainer on sidelines has been helpful
- E. Concussions as a whole are down – 1 so far this year --- helpful factor noted -everyone is wearing knee pads
- F. Injury reports – coaches must turn in forms by Friday following game incidents

Jason Malachowski/Flag Commissioner & Powder Puff

- A. No updates
- B. We will all be there for STEPS Red Ribbon Rally

Jerry Beaudoin/Tackle Commissioner

- A. Take note of game time changes – moved by 30 minutes
- B. Next 2 weeks we did half hour and 3<sup>rd</sup> week we did hour

- C. We understand lots of complaints on times – trying to determine reason for the delayed times \*Notes: Always had flag on lower field – FLAG had two hours, two games 188 score between two games you add up 2 ½ hours minimum
- D. We are getting a lot of pressure and feed back about sidelines
- E. CODE OF CONDUCT will be announced before games, hold parents accountable (We are here for the kids but the parents need to get a hold of themselves)
- F. Referee Issue: Saturday flag parent approached ref after the game and we had an incident in the Steeler Lions game earlier this season and Lions Cowboys most recently (in the lions game there were 4 attempts to go the referee multiple times.) We are in a situation – we have tried going with different refs in the past – bigger disaster however the current talent pool has shrunk. We need to hold referees accountable by our standards and those of the Referee Code of Conduct.
- G. Flag Game conflict – aggressive behavior from Flag Dolphin player, referees did not eject flag players for continued aggressive behavior
- H. Southington Lions vs. West Hartford Cowboys conflict – aggressive behavior by West Hartford player after whistle was blown. Referee flew a flag and gave 15-yard penalty against West Hartford. Coach from Southington had warned referee of the behavior. Southington coach and West Hartford coach began verbal altercation. Referee asked Southington coach to ‘cool off’ – referees did not have control of the field. No players or coaches were ejected from this game.

Andy Pettola/Vice President

- Introduced Ted Mancini – President of WHYFL, he saw the video (of the Lions vs. Cowboys) for the first time tonight.
- Ted Mancini – listening to the referees, part of the problem with inner town games, referees are NOT taking control of the game – late hit – no flag, then when flag is thrown – everyone gets mad. Will speak to WH referees to see if they can do our Saturday games. (We will still need Friday referees.) Main objective, protect our children so they can have a safe and fair game. We will now have 4 referees at the Tackle C level games.

Food Drive is going on – trying to stay active in the community Winner each week based on pounds

October is breast cancer awareness – we match whatever we raise and write a check to Susan G Komen

Dave Schneider/President

- A. Old Business – ZERO

Meeting Adjourned at 9:46pm by Dave Schneider/President