

FGSA Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, April 8, 2013

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Fleetwood Area Middle School 5/6 Cafeteria

Call to Order:

Kevin Manmiller, President

Attendance / Roll Call:

Kevin Manmiller, Shawn Moliatu, Richard Kaskey, Steve Oross, Joe Calamita, Mike Lazar , Randy Frey, Earl Hemmig, Jim Frederick, Kim Frederick, Brain Orth , T.J. Cowley, Harry Reed, Joe Scalese, Heather Hartman, Jennifer Schroeder, Matt Lowther, and Chris Malinowski.

Reading of the Minutes from Last Meeting:

Seek approval of the March 11, 2013 meeting minutes.

Motion #1 made by Earl Hemmig

Motion #2 made by Randy Frey

Approval – Yeah

Officer's Reports:

President's Report (Mr. Manmiller)

✚ Reported on items --- located in old and new business.

Vice President's Report (Mr. Malinowski)

✚ Reported on items --- located in old and new business.

Treasurer's Report (Mr. Moliatu)

✚ The treasurer's report will be included as an attachment to the meeting minutes.

Secretary's Report (Mr. Kaskey)

✚ Reported on items --- located in old and new business.

Committee Reports:

Concession Stand Committee Report (Mr. Lazar)

- ✚ Mr. Lazar met with Mr. Ted Koehle, our food handling professional, to go over some concession stand rules and regulations.
- ✚ Mr. Kaskey will provide Mr. Lazar with a complete game schedule.
- ✚ As soon as the cabinets are back in the concession stand, Mr. Lazar will need the Sam's Club card to begin purchasing supplies for the upcoming season.
- ✚ Mr. Lazar is going to direct all coaches to give him the names of two parents per home game to work the concession stand.

Fund Raising Committee Report (Mr. Hemmig)

- ✚ We are going to attempt to set up a Rita's Italian Ice night.
- ✚ Thirty-One fundraiser items were available for pick up at the meeting.
- ✚ Additional spirit wear items will be purchased and sold at the BFC concession stand.
- ✚ We are going to survey the girls, and perhaps their parents, to see what type of items they would like us to purchase for the spirit wear sale.
- ✚ We are not going to make any monetary donations to the High School or Middle School program this year.
- ✚ We are prepared to start soliciting league sponsors but still in waiting for the 501C-3 form.

Facility and Equipment Committee Report (Mr. Manmiller)

- ✚ Special thanks the Boy Scouts of America, Scoutmaster Steve Oross, and the Eagle Scout candidate for cleaning up and repairing a number of areas at the Blandon Fire Company Field.
- ✚ A suggestion was made to purchase a "Grainger" tub for lime storage.

Registration Committee Report (Mrs. McElwee and Mrs. Pinnix)

- ✚ VP Malinowski reported that 79 total girls have registered.
- ✚ We are going to need about 3 or 4 girls from the 12U level to play with the 14U team in June and July. VP Malinowski will contact the BCGSL to see if there are girls outside of Fleetwood looking for a team to play on.
- ✚ The potential to host a Summer Softball Camp was discussed.
- ✚ The potential to host a Tournament (perhaps at the recreation level) was discussed.

Uniform Committee Report (Mrs. McElwee and Mr. Malinowski)

- ✚ The need to purchase two 12U catcher's mitts was discussed.

Webmaster Report (Joe Calamita)

- + FGSA has made \$67 from purchases made at Amazon.com from our website.
- + Our website will be eventually moving from its current location to a location hosted by Dick's Sporting Goods. (The company Dick's bought out was called Blue Sombrero.)
- + Our web site URL: <http://www.fleetwoodgirlssoftball.org>

Special Orders: (Important business previously designated for consideration at this meeting.)

- + Nothing at this time.

Old or Unfinished Business:

+ **Berks County Girls' Softball League (BCGSL) meeting dates:**

- April, 25 at 8:00 pm (14U-18U coaches)
- May, 16 at 8:00 pm (Prez & VP only)
- September, 19 at 7:00 pm (Prez & VP only)
- November, 21 at 7:00 pm (Prez & VP only)

+ **FGSA @ READING PHILLIES NIGHT (AKA - FIGHTIN PHILS)**

Game Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2013 Game Time: 7:05pm
Cost: \$24 per person

Admission includes:

- Girls in uniform on field next to a player during the National Anthem
- All-You-Can-Eat Buffet for 2-1/2 hours
- Use of the R-Phils Pool behind the right field fence
- Fightin Phils doormat being given away to first 2000 people through the gates

83 tickets have been sold, and have been received. They will be hand delivered by VP Malinowski to as many people that he can, and the rest will be mailed sometime in May.

- + **Sports Safety International Website – for on-line concussion and cardiac training courses:** <http://www.sportsafetyinternational.org>

New Business:

- + New locks for all doors at the Blandon Fire Company Field will be installed by Maiden creek Township.

- ✚ The Blandon Fire Company Field is now available to FGSA on Tuesdays.
- ✚ Lime and quick dry will be purchased prior to the start of the spring season.
- ✚ Discussed the purchase new hockey-style catchers masks where needed, and having them air brushed (suggested having one with a Tiger on the front.)
- ✚ There are still (2) coaches who have not submitted their Criminal Background Check and Child Abuse Clearances. Those must be submitted before the first game is played, or that coach will have to sit out until those forms are submitted.
- ✚ Reminded coaches that the only parents who will be allowed on the field are those who have submitted Criminal Background Check and Child Abuse Clearance forms. There are a large number of parents who said they are willing to help but only about 50% of them have submitted those forms. Coaches have a list of parents who have submitted clearances, and were given firm instructions to keep parents off the practice and game fields who have not.
- ✚ Discussed future purchases for the organization, and it was agreed that investing in the field would provide the greatest benefit to the girls. However, until we have more control over the field, the larger projects may have to wait. We also need to request at least some support from the township since they are the ones who own the field. Items under consideration...
 - Removing the bleachers nearest to the backstop on the side closest to the fire company, and putting a roof over that area with a bench for the girls to sit, creating a dug-out of sorts.
 - Extending the fence on the side closest to the fire company to create an area for a batting circle, so that the on-deck hitter is separated from the bleachers. This would greatly increase safety during our games.
 - Installation of a permanent scoreboard, or purchase of a portable scoreboard that could be put in the shed while no games are being played.
- ✚ Motion to approve the purchase of two (2) right handed catcher's mitts for the 12U equipment bags.

Motion #1 made by **Joe Calamita**

Motion #2 made by **Matt Lowther**

Approval – **Yeah**

Announcements:

Coaches – Please forward your complete schedule to Mr. Kaskey as soon as possible.

Adjournment:

✚ President Manmiller adjourned the meeting at **8:30 p.m.**

Next FGSA Meetings:

Monday, May 13th, 7:00PM, in the Middle School 5/6 Cafeteria

Future Meetings 2013 (all at 7:00PM): June 10th, July 8th, August 12th, September 9th, October 14th, November 11th, and December 9th.

Future Meeting 2014 (all at 7:00PM): January 13th, February 10th, March 10th, April 14th, and May 12th.