

Eden Youth Sports Committee

Special meeting open to the public

Date: Tuesday June 4th, 2024

Location and time: Eden Central School baseball field 5:30pm

Unapproved minutes

Daniel Lathrop, Nicholas Tetreault, Kristina Brown, Aiden Brown, Jennifer Tricou, Joseph Tricou, Zach Dezotelle, Katelyn Locke, Megan Ethredge

1. Community input – Jenn brought up fundraising and how banners are a good idea to show off sponsorship of businesses and she can get contact information for them if we so choose. Jenn also brought up how she would like to see cheerleading come to Eden. Katelyn mentioned that there is liability but that she will ask some friends that she has that coach cheer. Kristina mentioned maybe it won't be called cheer, maybe it will be called dance or something. Megan E, Bob Fredette (#802.888.4261) said that a guy at the Highschool does banners and stuff and it teaches kids and could keep that local. Megan Ethredge has his information and can get it to us.

a. Zach D. building dug outs- Would like to discuss building dugouts. Zach said he would like to do it by Donation and the local business would like to be involved and a small shed by the hometown dugout and local businesses would be on board and would like a plaque. Zach will furnish the screws and business would donate the tin. Zach and other men are on board with donating labor. Nick mentioned putting business on a banner and hang the banner behind the dug out for the year. Zach brought up positioning on where they would be. Kristina will bring it up to the Selectboard at the next meeting since she is already on the agenda. The goal will be to have them installed by the next season. Kristina will also ask about the bleachers.

b. Wooden Bleachers

b1. A couple of members mentioned donating materials to fix them. Kristina will ask the SB if they prefer what happens with the old ones and the committee will continue conversations about getting new bleachers for spectators at our sporting events. Joseph said the two wooden bleachers by the field currently being used are salvageable and that he would be able to donate some wood.

2. End of the year baseball

a. Medals- Those will be in tomorrow. A message has been sent to all the coaches asking about the day, next Tuesday as the end of the year and the medals will be in for that.

b. Coach's awards - A team picture and the ability to sign the outside, and possibly a plaque with the team picture. Katelyn will aim to get the picture on Wednesdays game.

coaches, Steven Brown, Zach D, Katelyn Locke, Kelly Lane, Nick Tetreault

c. Date for awards celebration. Sounds like next Tuesday when there is typically practice.

d. Recap and any input on the seasons. It felt as if the start of the season was a little disorganized. Coach Brown wants to start practices in the gym for next year. Katelyn brought up using the game changer app for the scheduling of games and practices. It also keeps all the contact information in there. All the communication can be in there. Katelyn will get a price and let us know how much it will cost. Nick mentioned that since we will have a majors teams next year it would be nice to have an app to track some kids stats and pitch counts etc. It would be helpful if Zach could spear head baseball next year.

e. Next year prep and expectations.

1e. Field prep – Tee ball field needs to be prepped. We will have numerous teams next year and we will need more working fields. We will be making one of the fields a softball field. We believe with the numbers we have we will have a softball team.

2e. field maintenance throughout the season – touch up work on the field. Zach can go through home and first base pass. Nick can rototill it. In the Fall would be a good idea so the Spring can have a good clean up. Megan mentioned cleaning up the softball field at the same time. Figure out cost of softball field. We can use some of the leftover dressing. Joseph Tricou 802.696.9269 He said he can come and help with hands on stuff anytime.

3e. Umpire payments 2025- Nick said all referee. Nick is hoping to get some incentive by offering \$25 for reffing games.

4e. Baseball LLC meetings, Coaches meetings, county representation/leadership 2025. Nick is hoping for Zach to take over baseball.

3. Committee roles and responsibilities

- a. **Treasurer- payments, registrations, pay orders, annual report**
- b. **Equipment management- uniforms, balls, sport shed organization, line markers, any equipment that is needed for youth sports.**
- c. **Baseball, Soccer, Basketball responsibilities for each season**
- d. **Giving members of the community responsibilities in above mentioned topics to help run spots.**

4. Fall Soccer prep – Katelyn will spear head soccer for EYSC. Katelyn has created a google doc to allow parents to sign up for free and then we will be able to have parents sign up more at their convenience. This will be huge for organization.

- a. **5/6 coach – Katelyn will be 5/6 coach, Andrew Belitsos will be the asst coach.**
- b. **3/4 coach – No coach**
- c. **1/2 coach – No coach**
- d. **Pre-K coach – No coach**
- e. **County meeting, registration, fees, ref fees, leadership. As discussed.**
- f. **Field prep, line marker, corner flags- Discussed above. Would like to start prep sooner and do more at end of year in preparation for the following.**

5. Pay orders. Pay orders complete.

6. Dan makes a motion to adjourn meeting. Kristina Seconded, meeting adjourned at 7:13pm

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