

Eden Youth Sports Committee

Special meeting open to the public

Date: Wednesday December 18th, 2024

Location and time: Eden Towns clerk's office 6:00pm

Daniel Lathrop, Kristina Brown, Nicholas Tetreault, Erin Niles, Ryan Speer, Justin Niles, Hannah Speer, Tabi Niles

Community input-

1. Basketball recap, beginning of the season
 - a. Jerseys – Erin spoke about the need for new jerseys. The girls need new jerseys. Discussion of financials and decisions made to get boys jerseys. Dan explained that the committee's decision was made out of financial. Parents feel like the right thing to do would be to order new uniforms. Nick mentioned about the finances coming out for bleachers and other sports equipment. Dan spoke with Bob Fredette last night, Bob spoke about he gave EYSC the jerseys at cost. Parents note that they are against the idea of a CD account. Tabi mentioned putting the money high yield savings account to get the return on the money in the account.

Discussion on the building up of the committee. Parents discussed having a fee for non-volunteers. Parents also brought up having a sign-up sheet for duties. It was suggested to make a chart. Organization and delegation of duties, reffing and clock keeping. Parents are wondering if there is a way to get a middle schooler to maybe run the clock. Brief discussion on setting up before the games and clean up afterward. Concession stands ideas brought up. Nick will create a list, and we will put it the game changer app. We will broadcast a general message about the duties needed and ask parents respond if they are able to help with any of them. Nick pulled up the cost of jerseys before printing 26 dollars. The committees agree to get a quote from Bob for 16 uniforms. The parents would like to know if the committee decides not to pay for the jerseys. Conversation about the school and the Velcro pads, the pads need to be replaced. Nick said he spoke with Betzi about the pads and she would like to get hooks to hang them up. Kristina is against the idea of hooks being used to hang the pads. Nick will contact Katelyn tomorrow so Katelyn can get the information to Bob ASAP.

- b. 6th grade awards- Give all 6th graders a plaque there would be roughly 9.
 - c. Coach's awards- Nick suggests we get a jacket. Kristina is against a jacket, but is for acknowledging the consistent coaches and involvement we have. Dan suggests the picture frame and having kids sign it.
2. Sponsorship program- Very successful we made 3900 on just the sponsorship and t shirt. We all agree that if we could get a head start on getting that info out there for other sports it can be even more successful.
3. Youth Fund and CD- Nick talked with Melissa. Melissa has said 10,000 would make about 450 a year.
4. Bleachers for soccer and Baseball- we need some new aluminum bleachers. Nick thinks we should vote at least getting 2 of them and they are estimated around 2,000 a piece. The bleachers that are there need to be taken down before the season.
5. Baseball and softball equipment and jerseys- Baseball needs new catcher's gear. We will open baseball and softball season early to make sure we know of the teams so we can plan accordingly for gear.

6. Town meeting concessions- Nick has done them the last 2 years. Kristina will talk to Aiden about running the concession stands. Nick said the town will pay for the "equipment" cups, etc.

7. Approve meeting minutes, the committee is unsure if we can approve the minutes without Trevor, however they have been reviewed and approved by the three that were in attendance.

8. Nick made an announcement that he will be stepping down and will resign as a committee member February 28th. He has two people that are going to step up and join the committee with young kids. Our committee has 4 people on it who all have 5th graders. After next year they will graduate which will leave only a member or two and Nick wants to get parents who has young kids involved so the committee can continue in years to come. Nick said he will still volunteer to coach basketball or run basketball for the town, help ref games, and help the new member get grounded before he isn't around to help and wants a smooth transition for all.

Kristina makes a motion to adjourn meeting at 7:52pm. Nick seconded. Motion passed.

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