

Post Falls Junior Tackle & Cheer Board Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: March 11, 2014 - 7 pm

Location: PFHS – Library

In Attendance: Jason Hildreth, Greg Rouse, Sara and Greg Rodriguez, Kathy and Jeff Mamola, Lia Saless, Jeff Hinz

Visitors: Will Amaya (INPWL President), Colin Anderson (Spokane Valley Pop Warner Coach)

The meeting was called to order by Jason Hildreth at 7:05 pm.

Minutes Recap: November 2013 Meeting Minutes

Visitor Topics:

- Presentation by Inland Northwest Pop Warner League
 - They have heard good things about PFJT
 - In 2013, INPWL had ~1,100 participants
 - They want to continue 8th grade interleague games – we will have 3 teams in 2014
 - Discuss PFJT coming on board with Pop Warner
 - They couldn't do the 4th grade games last year (2013) due to insurance issues.
 - Propose creating a Post Fall Pop Warner – What does that mean
 - \$5/year USA coach certifications (price has been locked in for 2 years)
 - Wholesale rates with Kimmel
 - Schutt helmet discount rates
 - Longer season – playoffs and championships
 - Mandated 2.0 grade point average
 - PFJT would pay INPWL \$20/kid – covers insurance, league fees, etc
 - PFJT would continue to run as its own association
 - Minimum team number is 16 and in 2014 a new maximum will be put in place at 25.
 - Teams will be able to fundraise with association approval.
 - Require 100% background checks on everyone that works with the kids
 - There is a mandatory play rule – minimum of 12 offence and 12 defensive plays
 - Games are 4 eight minute quarters
 - 1st Year – INPWL will cover referee PFJT fees – after that the referee fees are split between the teams of each game.
 - Timeline – INPWL registration is open now
 - They need to know soon if we would like to take them up on their offer.
 - They can help us with advertising
 - Season starts August 1
 - Jamboree is around the 3rd week in August
 - 1st games start the end of August.
 - This offer is not being offered to CDA.

Transitioning to USA football:

- Insurance is about \$1k cheaper
- \$5 background checks
- Good training material
- Motion was made and passed.

Meeting Agenda was tabled until next month as the agenda topics would be greatly impacted by the outcome of the Pop Warner discussion.

Pop Warner Discussion:

- Pros
 - Financial backing
 - Notoriety
 - National organization
 - Structure
 - Safety
 - Liability
 - Won't have to always be waiting on CDA
- Cons
 - Biggest con is the impact of a transition
 - Change from grade level teams to a age/weight matrix
 - Games would be on our fields and in Spokane
- Motion was made to join Pop Warner and passed
- Greg Rouse will meet with the coaches to figure out a team structure for the transition

Financial Update:

- \$12,537 in the account

Next Meeting:

- Tues, April 8, 2014, 7pm at the HS Library