

Post Falls Junior Tackle Board Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: April 14, 2015 – 7 pm

Location: PFHS – Library

In Attendance: Jason Hildreth, Sara and Greg Rodriguez, Jeff Hinz, Roy McKenzie, Dan Pearse, Roy McKenzie, Laurie and Spencer Sessions, Sheri Nowlan.

Visitors: Courtney Myer, Marla Hulce, Matt McKeown

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

March Meeting Recap:

- Marketing at the grade and middle school
 - Flier was approved by the school district
 - Already seeing positive results from tables we had at the middle schools for parent/teacher conferences.
 - Fliers have been emailed out with school newsletters at most of the elementary schools.
 - It was recommended that we have a table in the lunch room during lunch hours at the middle schools.
- Treasurer:
 - Jason received all the treasurer documents from the previous treasurer and has given them to Dan. He will go through it, get the books I order, and provide an update at the next meeting.
 - The only outstanding check right now is the one for helmet refurbishing.
 - Jason and Dan need to schedule a time to meet at the Bank with the officer election meeting minutes so that the account can be changed over to the new officers.
- Website / Registration:
 - Website is up and running. Registrations have been coming in.
 - There are some small glitches that we need to be aware of. Sara's working with those that are having issues.
- Equipment:
 - 93 helmets sent in for refurbishing, 10 will need to be scrapped, and we should have them back in a couple weeks.
 - Need to look at shoulder pads – do we need to purchase any more? Greg and Jason will go inventory what we have.

New Document Discussion and Approval:

- Documents related to the team books were drafted and emailed out to board members for review.
 - Mandatory Play Rule Policy
 - Discussion:
 1. Can special teams count? They are an important part of the game. Past teams have had no issues with play time. Concern about some coaches using it as a cop out to not coach some kids by only having them play special teams.
 2. Requiring all plays to be in before the start of the 4th quarter. Injuries (unreported) occurred because players were forced to be put in the game at positions they don't normally play.
 3. How much practice is required before participating in the first game? Should it be hours or number of practices.
 - Outcome:
 1. Special teams should not count. If game plan is put together correctly, this shouldn't be an issue.

2. Removed the requirement to get all plays in by the end of the 3rd quarter. The MPR forms will be submitted each week to the football commissioner so that he can deal with any issues with meeting the MPR policy.
 3. Each player will be required to have 10 practices (20 hours) including 3 practices (6 hours) of unpadding (helmets only) before they participate in their first game.
- Mandatory Play Rule Form
 - Outcome: Based on the edit made to the policy, the form was updated to remove the statement requiring the plays by the end of the 3rd quarter.
 - Injury Report Form
 - Discussion: why do we need to report injuries if parents are signing the waiver? Have injuries in the past been reported?
 - Outcome: Our insurance is supplemental insurance to each player. We need the injury report form as documentation of the injury in the event our insurance is used. No edits to the form.
 - Team Manager Position Contract:
 - Discussion: The role of the team manager is being elevated this year. The goal of the position is to keep team information organized and be a conduit to disseminating information to and from the board by each team.
 - Outcome: no edits were made to the contract.
 - Team Book Policy:
 - Discussion: The team book has been adapted from the large Pop Warner books we had last year. This policy outlines the modified book. In the past, information was gathered by the coaches and usually ended up as a wad of papers at the bottom of the coaches' bucket.
 - Outcome: no edits were made to the policy.

Coaching Update

- 1st coaches meeting was held, March, 12, 2015.
 - Dan Pearse shared information on effective communication techniques to parents and laying out expectations.
 - Coaches will be held accountable for developing players. We will fire coaches if needed.
 - There will be a coaches, expectation document that will be implemented. A draft was handed out for review and comment. As of the April Board meeting, feedback has only been received from two coaches.
 - Jason and Roy will finish updating the expectations document.
 - Overall, coaches were on board with plans for this year and moving forward.
 - Received positive feedback from coaches that have had issues in the past.
- Possible Player Clinic:
 - Gene Straughan came a few years ago and put on a camp that was full of information.
 - He has offered to come teach another clinic.
- Coaches Clinic: Let Coach Hinz know what we want from them. They are working on new tackling techniques.

Cheer Update

- Nothing at this time.

Football Camp – July 27-30th – Coach Hinz is working on structure of camp. Wondering if there is something else we can do for 7th and 8th grade to freshen up the camp and get more participation.

- Camp will be 3rd-8th grade and see where the numbers fall.

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- Recommend keeping the same again this year, and figure out a way to update the camp for 7th and 8th grade next year.
- Coach Hinz to get a camp form to Sara for website and he will mail them out to the mailing list Sara provided to him.
- Sheri Nowlan will get High School auction flier to Sara for website

Cheer Camp: Are we going to offer it this year? Not sure yet. Hard to get High School cheer coach to help as she is typically out of town when the camp is held. The High School dance coach is interested in helping. Amanda is working with her.

Player Placement: Questions from Matt McKeown about 3rd/4th grade team. He was not aware of the procedure that the coaches voted on last year that we were keeping in place this year. Went over the process.

Special placement requests: Dan Pearse requested a place a player on team. Will the Board consider?

- At this time, players will be placed on teams randomly. Exceptions need to be brought to the board.

When do we look at creating another team for a grade level? At around 30, we need to look at creating that additional team.

3/4th grade games will be at Persons Field in CDA on Wednesdays around 5pm.

Registration Update:

Football Registration Summary

Grade	Registered				Random	Total
	Team	Coach	Count	Total		
3/4th	Bears	Mckeown	2	2	9	11
	Open	Open	0			
5th	Bears	McKenzie	16	26	5	31
	Bengals	Hocking	10			
6th	Bears	Tacconelli	13	40	4	44
	Bengals	Yount	19			
	Hurricanes	Sciortino	8			
7th	Beavers	Reardon	17	54	10	64
	Bengals	Hauser	16			
	Broncos	Lickfold	21			
8th	Seahawks	Sessions	17	17	5	22
	Open	Open	0			
Total			139	139	33	172

Cheer Registration Summary

Grade	Total
K	1
1st	5
2nd	0
3rd	5
4th	0
5th	2
6th	1
7th	1
8th	0
Total	15

Total Registered 187

Upcoming Marketing Items:

- Baseball opening day (setup at 8:30am) – Sara to email the parents that signed up to help.
- We should include camps and stuff in our marketing efforts.
- Middle school lunch room marketing – focus on 8th grade (track and PE teachers)
- The marketing team has done a wonderful job so far. They have accomplished more this year than has been done in the past.

Concessions: Little league may be interested in using our concessions trailer.

Open positions:

- Field Maint: A possible scholarship person, would be interested in doing field maintenance as their volunteer hours. Jason to get his info to Sara.
- Concessions: Email sent out to parents that were interested in concessions.

Opening Day / BBQ:

- If entire team is there and a parent meeting is held, it will count as one 2 hour unpadded practice.
- We need to get started planning... This will be a main topic at the next meeting.

April 25 will be a fundraiser for the high school for purchasing jerseys for next year.

Conditioning: Will begin May 25 and run Mon, Wed, and Fri from 5:30 to 7pm through the summer.

May Items

- Opening Day / BBQ Planning

Next Meeting:

- Tues, May 12, 2015 @ 7pm at the HS Library

The meeting was closed at 8:30 pm.