

# Palmer Township Athletic Association General Membership Meeting

Charles Chrin Community Center

February 20, 2020

**Call to Order:** 8:05pm

## **Members Present:**

Matt Rusnock, Eddie Lozano, Jeff Vincent, Kevin Walton, Jesse Bush, Craig Conner, Jennifer Swinsburg, Jeff Bowman, Shannon Dech, Dave Dumpel, Lisa Bowman, Chuck Romfo, Doug McTighe, Maureen Rinda, Melissa Woodruff. **Associate members:** Lenny Ringhoff, Chris Oraschin.

Handed out Girls 5/6 field hockey championship jackets.

**Motion** by Dave Dumpel to accept the November minutes. Second by Jeff Bowman.  
**Passed.**

**Motion** by Craig Conner to accept the treasurer's reports. Second by Eddie Lozano.  
**Passed.**

## **Sports Reports:**

**Lacrosse:** Eddie Lozano

Practices start next month with games beginning in April.

**Motion** NTE \$1100.00 for Lacrosse league fees (\$770.00). US Lacrosse membership (\$55.00). Lacrosse goggle straps (\$209.00). US lacrosse Membership (\$55.00). Second Kevin Walton. **Passed.**

**Soccer:** Dave Dumpel

145 registrants for spring. Coaches meeting next week.

**Motion** NTE \$1200.00 for spring tee shirts. Second Craig Conner. **Passed.**

**Basketball:** Dave Dumpel for Bill Stocker

Everything is going well.

We'll have receipts for playoff costs. We are paying 1/3 of the cost because we have a third of the amount of teams. This should come from our rec budget even though it was unplanned. We normally supply a facility for the event and refs. However, we do not have enough space without Palmer elementary, so we will help pay for both the boys and girls playoffs to be held at Nazareth gyms: girls 2/29 boys 3/7.

U15/U16 playoffs start next weekend. We will not be hosting these events. The rest of the league playoffs are scheduled for March 21&22 and March 28&29. We will be hosting both days each weekend. We would like to open the concession stand again each day as a fundraiser. Last year Allison and I put in a request for a check of \$500 or \$700 for upfront funds. We bought everything through the weekends and kept receipts. We can finalize this meeting on the 19th if need be.

**Motion** for \$120.00 to In The Zone for gym practice space. Second Craig Conner. **Passed.**

**Motion** NTE \$700.00 for a Nazareth/Palmer U7/8 in house tournament. Second Jeff Bowman. **Passed.**

**Motion** NTE \$700.00 for startup concession stand funds. Second Jen Swinsburg. **Passed.**

**Field Hockey:** Maureen Rinda.

First off season practice of the season March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Softball:** Maureen Rinda for Brian Rinda

74 registrants signed up and are anticipating more. Two teams at the 3/4 level. Forks has reached out to combine teams.

**Baseball Upper Level:** Matt Rusnock.

Three teams for the Bushkill Valley, Junior and Senior Legion. Still looking for coaches.

**Motion** NTE \$2000.00 for hats for the 3 teams. Second Craig Conner. **Passed.**

**Baseball Lower Level:** Jeff Bowman

101 registrants signed up. Registration will be open till the end of the month. All teams have coaches. Coaches meeting March 4<sup>th</sup>. Minor and Majors start April 13<sup>th</sup> Home run derby will be June 6<sup>th</sup>. Palmer Minor/Major All Star game June 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Motion** NTE \$600.00 for equipment based on 11 teams. Second Jessie Bush. **Passed.**

**Wrestling:** Shannon Dech for Dave DiSora.

February 1<sup>st</sup> novice tournament. February 2<sup>nd</sup> JV tournament. February 8/9<sup>th</sup> Varsity tournament. League quad on January 26/27<sup>th</sup>, team took 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall. Hatboro/Horsham tournament has 11 participants. PJW's has 2 wrestlers. Mats will arrive in approximately 8 weeks.

**Motion** for \$510.00 to VEWL for 2020/2021 league dues. Second Jeff Bowman. **Passed**

**Cheering:** No report

**Football:** Jesse Bush for Mark Cosover

May 1<sup>st</sup> registration opens. Minicamps will begin the week prior to and finish the week after Memorial Day. Practices begin July 29<sup>th</sup>. League has increased to 3 divisions.

**Motion** for \$4770.00 for football jerseys. Second Jen Swinsburg. **Passed**.

**Fundraising:** Mary Sook

J's Steak and Subs had 10 teams participate in the fundraiser. They made \$334.00 profit. Top girl seller was Sophia Stocker. Top boy seller was Caleb Grover.

**Motion** for \$501.00 to J's Steak and Subs. Second Maureen Rinda. **Passed**.

More people need to sign up for comedy night, the numbers are very low.

Currently in discussions with Mod Pizza about spring fundraiser.

**Board Report:** Chuck Romfo

The decision on what to do with the equipment room has not been made yet. The field house ground breaking is scheduled for the conclusion of the 2021 fall sports season. Kiwanis and Palmer BIP will be donating the funds to build the second floor. It will have a youth center, bathrooms, meeting room, and a kitchenette. Tentative floor plan dimensions are 25 ft. x 100 ft. and 50 ft. x 100 ft. for the second floor, respectively.

**Coach fest** – Will be held June 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Sports fest** – Tina Walton ran it last year. The numbers have been declining year after year. We'll make a decision in the upcoming weeks to reduce it to its original format to include the homerun derby plus associated events for baseball and softball.

**Bylaws** – Second reading of the changes to the bylaws.

Section 3: The Board of Directors will consist of **seven (7)** members including the Association's President, who will serve a two (2) year term, the Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will each serve one (1) year terms. One at large active Association member will be appointed by the President who will serve a two (2) year term. **Two** At-Large Active Association members will be elected by the General Membership by a simple majority vote; one (1) who will serve a two (2) year term and **one (1)** to serve **a** one (1) year terms **each on the Board of Directors**. See Article IX Duties and Powers of the Board of Directors for a detailed structure of said Board.

Section 1: The Board of Directors shall consist of ~~seven (7)~~ members including the president, who will serve a two (2) year term, the vice president, secretary and treasurer of the Association, who will each serve one (1) year terms. The president shall appoint one (1) at large active Association member to the Board, who will serve a two (2) year term. ~~Two~~ Active Association members will be elected during the December elections (as per Article XII) by a simple majority vote. One will be elected to a two (2) year term and the remaining ~~two~~ individuals will ~~each~~ be elected to serve one (1) year terms ~~on the Board of Directors~~. Association members can only run for either the two (2) year term or the one (1) year term during the same election.

### **New Business**

**Motion** by Eddie Lozano NTE \$20.00 for deposit only stamps. Second Dave Dumpel.  
**Passed.**

**Motion** to adjourn 9:28pm

Respectfully submitted

Doug McTighe

Secretary