

Pirate Youth Athletic Association
Meeting Minutes for the Organizational Meeting of the Board
C-FC High School Commons
January 12, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order at 6:05 p.m. by President Zach Schmidtknecht
2. Roll Call (x denotes that individual was present):

<u>Board</u>		<u>Program Leads</u>		<u>Committee Chairs</u>	
Zach Schmidtknecht President	x	Dan Wicka Football	x	Jeff Mann Program Development	x
Jerry Skroch Vice-President	x	Early Murty Wrestling		Steve Scharlau Policy	x
Kalene Engel Secretary	x	Patrick Thorsell Boys Basketball		Mark Brone Fundraising	x
Ben Adank Treasurer	x	Randy Knecht Girls Basketball	x		
Jason Becker Facility Coordinator	x	Shelli Brone Volleyball			

Others present: Larry Gabel

3. Approval of Minutes from December 4, 2013 Meeting: Motion by Ben, seconded by Jason to approve minutes. No discussion. Motion passed 5-0.
4. Announcements/Communications:
 - Zach gave a presentation on PYAA to the Town Board of the Town of Milton on December 18, 2013. He requested that the Board consider using some of the CapX 2020 funding that they will be receiving to support the PYAA, both with PYAA funding needs and, to a greater extent, to support recreation-related facility improvements for the school. He and Kalene compiled a handout which he plans to tweak for further presentations.
 - Additional presentations are scheduled for the following upcoming board meetings:
 - Town of Belvidere: January 14th at 7:00 at the Cochrane VFW (Kalene and Zach attending)
 - Town of Cross: January 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Cross Hall (Zach, Kalene and maybe Jason attending)
 - Town of Buffalo: January 21st at 6:30 p.m. at the Buffalo Town Hall (Zach and maybe Jason and Steve attending)
5. Review and approval of bills: Motion to approve bills by Ben; seconded by Zach. No discussion. Motion passed 5-0.
6. Financial Report (Ben Adank): Ben reported on the establishment of a savings and checking account and deposits for apparel and website fundraisers, as well as insurance

collections. The insurance fund balance is \$960 and the general fund balance, after payment of the apparel fundraiser cost of goods bill is \$1,279.00. Motion to approve financial report by Kalene; seconded by Jason. No further discussion. Motion passed 5-0.

7. Committee/Program Reports

- a. Program Development (Jeff Mann): Discussion was had on the role of the program development committee. The general consensus was that the program development committee should facilitate communication between the youth programs and the high school head coaches to identify what skills, etc. are most appropriate for each age level, such that there is consistency/communication between those programs.
 - b. Policy Committee (Steve Scharlau): Steve is gathering and reviewing templates of other organizations policies and, with Kalene's help, pulling together an outline for topics to be covered by a policy. All present agreed that it would be helpful to have the Program Leads hold a meeting with all of their program's coaches to get their collective wisdom about "how to run a team" down on paper, so the next generation of coaches will have the benefit of that wisdom.
 - c. Fundraising (Mark Brone): In addition to soliciting CapX2020 funds, the committee is focusing on two fundraising efforts: expanding website advertisement and running the annual Alumni Tournament. Mark will be working with Laura Mann to send letters out to area businesses seeking website sponsors. Committee members will also be gathering information from Jo Ressie and others who ran the Alumni Tournament last year. The committee would like to expand the tournament to 12 basketball and 8 volleyball teams (time and space allowing), and possibly expand it to a Dairyland Conference Alumni Tournament. Zach brought in sized-down examples of the type of gym banners that his company could create. He suggested possibly selling add space on the bottom of the banners. Mark will show the banners to Mr. Hiebert and seek input on the idea of selling sponsorships for the banners.
8. Unfinished Business – Procurement of Insurance (Jeff Mann & Kalene Engel): Jeff reported that his original quote for insurance of approximately \$900 increased after he was told that the square footage of the entire gym floor (not just spectator area) had to be insured. This raised the cost of insurance significantly (over \$1,200), and to add the auditorium would cost an additional \$300. Even after reducing coverages and options, the lowest price was \$1,100 for the school and \$300 for the auditorium. Kalene contacted Sadler Sports, which is the company providing insurance to Morrie Miller Youth Football. Sadler's rates are per-participant, offer better coverage limits and would include the auditorium. Sadler offers discounts and increased coverage to program who have at least 50% of the sport's coaches complete a \$20 on-line training course. This option would result in decreased cost for wrestling and volleyball, but not for basketball. Kalene has communicated with Jan Murty regarding the insurance options for wrestling under Sadler. Since Sadler's rates are significantly below the USA Wrestling insurance, the wrestling program would like to get coverage through Sadler. They are collecting sufficient fees from wrestling participants to purchase the insurance, but would like the purchase made through the PYAA. Based upon our current roster of participants, the cost of coverage for the basketball program (boys and girls) would be approximately \$790; the cost for volleyball would be approximately \$354 and the cost for wrestling would be approximately \$475. The insurance funds collected for basketball and

volleyball are insufficient to cover the cost and a suggestion was made to cover the deficiency with general funds, with the understanding that future teams must collect a sufficient amount per participant to cover expected insurance costs. Motion by Zach to purchase basketball policy from Sadler; seconded by Ben. Discussion: Jerry asked what the premium estimate was based on; Kalene stated it was based upon the current rosters as identified by the coaches—not just based upon those participants for whom a Member Info Form had been received. Motion passed 4-0. (Jason had left the meeting before this items was discussed). Motion by Zach to purchase wrestling insurance from Sadler once the funds are received from the wrestling program; seconded by Ben. No discussion. Motion passed 4-0.

9. New Business – Collaboration with Booster Club and PTO: Kalene suggested that the PYAA reach out to the Booster Club and PTO to determine where the three groups could collaborate. She will reach out to both organizations and report back at the next meeting.
10. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Jerry, seconded by Ben. Passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kalene Engel, Secretary