

**Pirate Youth Athletic Association**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Brone's Bike Shop**  
**August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 10:15am**

1. **Call to Order:** Mark Brone called the meeting to order at 10:44am Dan Wicka started speaking about Youth Football Agenda at 10:12 am. The meeting officially started and was called to order following that.
2. **Roll Call** (x denotes that individual was present):

<b><u>Board</u></b>		<b><u>Program Leads</u></b>		<b><u>Committee Chairs</u></b>	
Mark Brone President	x	Dan Wicka Football	x		
Brent Halverson Vice-President	x	Jay Baures Wrestling			
Needed Position Secretary		Nancy Scroch, Penny S. Boys Basketball			
Ben Adank Treasurer	x	Stacie Baures Girls Basketball		<b><u>Administration</u></b>	
Mackenzie Halverson Sports Director	x	Shelli Brone Volleyball	x	Tom Hiebert	
Jason Becker Facility Coordinator		Hank Rollinger Possible New board member	x		

3. **Approval of Minutes from July 17, 2017 Meeting:** Minutes from the July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved by Ben Adank and seconded by Brent Halverson.
4. **Review and approval of Bills:** Ben went over the bills for PYAA. He pointed out that the only bills we really had for this month were related to football expenses to prepare for the season. Brent Halverson approved and Mark Brone seconded.
5. **Announcements:** Hank Rollinger, Shelli Brone, and Becki Weber are interested in becoming PYAA board members. Shelli & Hank attended the meeting to get a better feel for our meetings. Welcome!
6. **Financial Report:** Ben went over the financial report. As August is our least busy month there was not many changes. Ben mentioned that some money was moved from the volleyball account to general savings. Ben also mentioned and discussed using direct deposit to pay the Sports Director every month as he thinks it would be more efficient. The board discussed it and trusted Ben's judgement as they agreed that it would be more effective. Ben was going to look into it.
7. **Sports Director Update** – Mackenzie Halverson
  - a. **Sports Programs-** Ben invoiced sponsors this past week. Mack got Golden Frog to commit and is waiting for responses from Graphic Image and Great River Road Inns in order to get rid of the pirate backers. Mack is hoping to get the programs down prior to the first games. Ben mentioned only handing out the High School Pic inserts on big event nights. In order to save and not hand them out as much. Mack will be getting a hold of Luke this week in order to remind him about taking pictures for the high school team pic inserts.
  - b. **Football-** 23 people are currently registered as of that morning. A late fee was added on Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup> at midnight. Reminders were sent prior to the late fee being in affect. Dan sent Mack more information about the football season. She plans on drafting up an email to send to families. She will send to Dan, and board members for approval. Mack will also get facility forms to Luke if he needs them. Ben asked Mack to find out how much the transaction fee is or where to find that information on the new

website. He also asked if we could separate the different programs in the Fall registration so we know what is going to football and what volleyball.

- c. **New Website Update-** Since last month's meeting Mack has added programs, minutes, and agendas. Her next step is to add teams so people can start using the app. After teams are added Mack will add the football team's schedule. She would like to post information about the new app and website on Facebook so more people start using it. Brent Halverson mentioned adding a page on the website that talks about what the PYAA does or give back to the community. Ben mentioned having instructions and showing parents at football registration how to use the app and website.
- d. **Inventory-** Mack needs to make this a priority before the next month. Ben brought the new basketball equipment for Mack to inventory. Mack mentioned that she would like to hand basketballs, jerseys and equipment out at the Basketball Registration so people don't have to make plans to meet more often because of lack of getting the jerseys ready to go.
- e. **Fall Drills for Skills-** Registration is ready for the Fall Drills for Skills camp. Would like to start getting information out and flyer out the first week of school. Registration should be 15 or 20 dollars. Signup by 2<sup>nd</sup> week as it will start shortly after. A facility form will need to go to Luke asap after dates are decided upon. Depending on coaches the camp may be Saturday mornings or evenings, or Sunday mornings or evenings.
- f. **Basketball-**Coaches have been sending their playing team reference forms to me to send into the league. They are getting reminders a week prior to when the form is due. Mack is checking them over before sending them in. Craig Wolfe has decided to coach the 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls coach again. Mark and Shelli mentioned that since they only have six girls this year they will need to communicate with Craig about bringing players up to play with 8<sup>th</sup> grade ONLY when/if the 7<sup>th</sup> grade doesn't have a tournament. The board decided that its Craig's decision on who he wants to play up. The board discussed the absence of coaches for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade gbb, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade bbb, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade bbb. Ben Holien has stepped up to coach the third-grade girls. Mack will start setting up basketball registration as that will be coming soon as well.

## 8. **Program Reports:**

### a. **Football:** Dan Wicka

**Helmets:** Dan brought up at the last meeting looking at getting new helmets. To this meeting Dan brought an estimate from Chippewa Valley Sports on getting new helmets for this year. Dan also brought a sample. With this the boys would get to have helmets sized and we had would have # of players plus an extra of each size of new helmets. The helmets are \$125 a helmet. The question/ discussion the board brought up when discussing the helmets was whether or not our youth football programs is going to continue participating in the tackle football program or are we going to purchase new helmets and then switch over to flag football. Before voting the board had a discussion about this possible situation.

**Discussion on tackle football to flag football:** As tackle football is getting more dangerous even with all the safety precautions taken, people are slowly switching over to flag football. The board discussed whether or not our youth football team would be continuing in the tackle program for the next few years or not. According to Dan, there are people that are on both sides of the dilemma. The conclusion we came to is our youth football program will most likely be continuing in the tackle football program for the next 3 to 4 years. Later in the meeting board members voted on whether or not to purchase helmets for this year. The board voted to purchase new helmets this year, by having every player sized and ordering one extra of each size.

**Information for 17-18 year:** This year the football team is planning on doing butter braids again as a fund raiser. There are four coaches helping Dan coach, Steve Popp, Ryan Auth, Matt Bambenek and Paul Van Ejil. These are all fourth-grade parents which will be helpful as Dan starts giving them a larger role in to the program. On August 21<sup>st</sup> is when the first practice and football registration night is.

**b. Basketball:**

- i. Looking for a coach for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade boys, 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls, and 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys
- ii. Teams that need to hire a coach will pay registration and pay the fee for hiring a coach along with registration. The going rate for a coach under our program is \$600 total. The amount will be split evenly among our program.
- iii. We will also be searching for new concessions managers. As Jodi Halverson and Stacie Baures are no longer doing it.

**c. Wrestling:** Nothing at this time.

**d. Volleyball:**

- i. **Fall- Skills & Drills:** Talked about previously with Mack. Shelli will reconfirm with coaches and decide on the dates and let Mack know so she can turn in the facility form.

9. **New/Other Business:**

- a. **Policy Updates:** Brent was working on changing the web chart with board member as he needed clarification from the past meeting. Brent will be deleting the bottom row of the charts, adding three board members to the top row and having sports director below that.
- b. **Storage Locker Leads:** As of right now we don't have many leads. We have ideas of renting storage space or purchasing a storage shed. With purchase, we will need to find a location. It would be nice to get some storage space at school so we don't have to travel back and forth with all of our items, but right now that is not an option.
- c. **Duties/Responsibilities of new Director Positions:** Voting Positions on the board, take on more responsibility and privileges as you go/find a specific area you could help benefit. (EX: Brent and policies)
- d. **New Board Members:** Shelli Brone and Hank Rollinger were voted in as official board members. Hank will be a director for a one year term. Shelli Brone will be a director for a two-year term. Welcome to the Board!

10. **Next Scheduled Meeting:** Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6pm Brone's Bike Shop

11. **Adjourn:** Meeting Adjourned at 12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mackenzie Halverson, Sports Director