

# NYAA Monthly Meeting Minutes

## September 27, 2007

Meeting was brought to order at 7:35 by Jason Rice, Sr., president. In attendance were Jenny Miller, Mary Norman, Maggi Daly, Charlie Horner, John Yanek, Elizabeth Freeman, Keith Nagel, Jeff Schappell, and Stacey Schappell.

**August Minutes** – Motion to accept by Elizabeth Freeman / Second by Keith Nagle

**Treasurer's Report** – Motion to accept by Charlie Horner / Second by Keith Nagle

**Public Comment** – Joe Fatzinger made a presentation regarding **The Edge**, a new sports training facility in New Smithville. Plans are to grow the facility to include facilities for softball, baseball, soccer, basketball and a full gym. Space is booking quickly.

Diana Yarnall from **Shooting Stars** photography presented her team photo items. Discussed was whether NYAA had a contract with Pittman and if we were able to change to Shooting Stars, as they had more to offer at a competitive price.

### **Directors Reports** –

**Baseball** – Fall ball is coming to a close and it went very well. We have 10 kids participating in an ECTB tournament the first weekend of October. We are planning to join the Lower Mac League this spring for our recreational league, and getting out of the Parkland league along with South Parkland. I will be attending the Lower Mac League meeting on October 10th.

**Basketball** – Currently have 60 children registered and will probably have to extend registrations. I have not received notification from the school district concerning basketball court usage times, so we will not be able to start the program in October this year.

We are in the process of acquiring a new facility which will help our program tremendously. A coaches meeting is planned for Wed. Oct. 10 at 7:00.

**Cheering** – Nothing to report.

**Football** – Season is well underway. Each of our 4 teams is playing great football. With 4 games remaining, we are all looking forward to the LVYF League's playoffs. We are hosting some of the first round playoff games this season on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> at the High School stadium (10am). Our youngest group (Flags) will be participating in the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual LVYF Flag tournament at the Bath Lions field on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Soccer** – Things are going well with all programs

- Picture Day and "recycle event" went well (thanks Rice family!!!)
- UK Elite checking to see if we can be fit back into their schedule. We have no UK Elite trainers for this season based on miscommunication.
- Positions open in organization: Program Co-Director/Director, Equipment Manager, Fields Manager, Northern Valley Coordinator, Concession Stand Coordinator

- Application to use LCCC fields for the coming spring was approved. Hopefully this means that we can look at resting a couple of bad field spots, re-seeding some, and staying out of the way of baseball in the spring.
- Need U-8 jerseys replacement (old), and may use money not spent on UK Elite on some of new jerseys needed.
- Considering hosting a coaches certification (E series) class in the spring
- Looking for Concession Stand Volunteer Coordinator. Since no one really stepped up to take charge of this, we did not meet with Tammy, and are not using the stand this season. We would like to see if we can generate enough interest to do so next season.
- Mary Jane is willing to be co-director, but no one else has stepped up to help as well. What do we do if no one steps up??
- Issues resolved with Girls U16 team (Jenny's objections re: recruiting players)
- Potential issues with Girls U12 team (Coach behavior), and possible need to consolidate teams (Boys U12,13,14)
- Request for late player addition- seeking recommendation from others on what to pay (for 1/2 of season?)
- Addendum – Question regarding fees to be paid for child switching sports and joining late. It was discussed and decided child would pay full price, but no late fee.

**Softball** – I have nothing to report. I am just enjoying the lull in the action before registration and the phone calls begin.

**Volleyball** – Fall season in full swing. 40 kids. More than last fall.  
 Level 1: individual skill building level.  
 Level 2: Team concept. Team skills

Looking at scrimmaging other clubs, level 2 only, maybe level 1 toward end of year. Sign ups going slow for winter season. Need to extend signups to end of October.

Okay on Coaches and payments.

**Other Business** – A question arose regarding frequency of Exec Board meetings as compared to the past. It was understood there had been a once-yearly meeting. Keith informed the group there were more than yearly meetings when he was in office.

Elizabeth voiced concern over the Board meeting and discussing sports and directors without the benefit of having the directors present for those discussions.

By-Law Revisions: The proposed updates to the By-Laws were read in accordance with the present By-Laws.

NRC Update –

- Night in the Country was a success, with more attendance than expected. Based on attendance, it was afterward determined that there would have been 43 port-a-potties needed to accommodate the numbers. They will take that into consideration next year.
- PPL bill for Potato Barn to be forwarded to NRC for payment.
- George's fuel will now be paid by NRC.

- NRC had many issues to discuss regarding NYAA –
  - At Township meetings as presented by Northwestern Press and those attending, many statements made by NYAA were erroneous and misleading. NRC not pleased with the negative publicity.
  - Football letter to parents. Uncalled for, and again sheds a bad light on the Rec Commission. We are two groups working together – same community, same priorities and same goals, and should not be perceived as adversaries.

Fields – LCCC has been secured for Spring 2008  
 Ebenezer fields need to be treated  
 Kempton available, however an organized clean up would be in order  
 When done with soccer, fields should be treated. Priorities would be fields over creek, Field 7- midfield

2008 Registration Dates – It was determined the following schedule of registration dates would be posted for next year. (The director’s who were not present added their dates upon query.)

<b>2008 ONLINE REGISTRATION</b>	
<b>Winter Sports</b>	
Basketball	August 15 - October 15
Volleyball	September 1 - October 30
<b>Spring Sports</b>	
Baseball	January 1 - January 31
Soccer	January 1 - February 15
Softball	January 1 - February 15
Volleyball	January 1 - February 15
<b>Fall Sports *</b>	
Baseball	May 1 - May 31**
Cheering	April 15 - May 31
Football	April 15 - May 31
Soccer	May 1 - June 30
Volleyball	May 1 - June 30
* possible fall Softball	** may close earlier

Charlie Horner added there may be fall softball added: 1 prep, 1 U10 and U12. Fields might be a problem.

Fees for 2008 -- Discussed elimination of mandatory fundraiser fees, to be replaced by the sports setting their own fees. A unanimous vote approved the change. Feedback is requested by directors not attending.

First Aid – Sports directors requested addition ice packs. Will contact Maureen to order 160 to divide between sports.

United Way – There are 2 outstanding for soccer and 1 for football in work/play program.

November Elections – Jenny will head the nomination committee and will report on any nominations at October meeting, and as late as November meeting. Keith will support.

Board responsibilities -- The NYAA board was accused of attempting to micro-manage the sports. A discussion ensued. How the sports are run is up to the directors; however everything

that affects the NYAA as a whole is overseen by the Board. It is also in place to handle registrations, administration, development and to function as the point of contact.

Equipment – Jason made a request that all equipment be inventoried at the end of the season. The NYAA needs to keep track of what it owns and what condition it is in. There was a discussion about why the equipment cages were always filled with garbage.

Photos – Records will be checked to determine if there is a formal contract with Pittman.

Motion to adjourn was made by Keith with a second by John.

Next meeting – Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.