

Muhlenberg Township Athletic Association
General Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2013

Meeting Attendance: Frank Pilat*, Lily Allen*, Melissa Smeltzer*, Daniel Clemison, Chris Evans, Becca Weiler, David Weiler, Ted Ellis*, Lisa Venkler, Cori Olmeda, Joe Zaorski, Hipolito Olmeda Jr., Kelli Miller*, Joe Zona*, Danielle Sheipe*, Brad Coley*, Don Raifsnider*, Sherri Fulp*.

(* Denotes Board

Member)

Meeting was called to order by Frank Pilat at 7:08pm.

Frank motioned to approve **December's Meeting Minutes**. Danielle seconded the motion. All approved.

Treasurer's Report given by Kelli Miller

- Kelli reported \$39,666.55 in the bank. Minus the cost from the St. Marco's pasta dinner, which was later reported by Danielle as \$1,113.40. All bills are paid and the money collected from Spring Sign-ups has been deposited.

Boys Basketball

- No report.

Wrestling

- No report.

Softball

- No report.

Football

- No report

Field Hockey

- No report.

Cheerleading

- No report.

Fall Baseball

- Needs a commissioner, if anyone is interested.

Girl's Basketball Report given by commissioner, Hipolito Olmeda Jr.

- They are halfway through the season.
- Hip has received compliments on the organization, on the referees and how the program is ran. However, there is a coach unhappy because he feels the ref is tougher on his team. Hip has asked the refs to be "tighter" on all teams.
- Youth Night, on Jan 17th, was a success. It went well and everyone had a good time.
- They have accepted an invitation to a 6th grade tournament, which is paid for by parents, on Feb 8th, 9th & 10th. And for a 5th grade tournament on March 2nd & 3rd at Wilson.
- Hip suggested donating wax for the MHS gym floor. He stated there are a lot of kids sliding and falling. Board members agreed this would be a good gesture, as they allow MTAA to use the gym for free.

Baseball Report given by commissioner, Kelli Miller

- Sign-ups were this past weekend. They currently have 53 kids for Tee-Ball, 39 for Coach Pitch, 22 for Knee-Hi, 18 for Mites, 17 for JDL and 18 for DL.
- In-house evaluations are March 17th, JDL evaluations are Feb 14th and DL evaluations are Feb 13th.
- They are now only allowed to use wooden bats. Kelli will have a meeting to find out if there are any specifications for the wooden bats. Kelli is asking the board to approve the purchase of a few wooden bats, to have to show parents as examples of what to purchase and in case someone would break their bat at game.
- The DL coach had to be selected already. The JDL coach was not going to be named until after the team was selected to avoid past conflicts. Kelli petitioned the board to reverse this rule. The board majority vote was Yes. Kelli sent an email to report Erik Keiper has been named Head Coach. The Assistant Coaches will not be picked until after evaluations.

Old Business

- Nothing to discuss.

New Business

- Lisa Venkler would like to petition the board to change the rule that girls can not play 12U and Junior High softball due to schedule conflicts. Lisa reported Junior High practices from 3pm-5pm, and 12U practices at 5:45pm. Junior High games are at 4:15pm, and 12U games are at 6:15pm. Lisa states the schedule is flexible, as they have 33 games to play 12 games. Lisa does not see a schedule conflict. Lisa conducted research to find that no other areas have this policy, and submitted paperwork to Frank to support her research. Frank stated this rule was made to provide consistency across the board for baseball and basketball as well. Frank stated this is something that can be discussed by the board. Sherri stated she called other coaches and has a background of information on this as well.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26pm.

Items Approved During Executive Meeting

- Softball budget approved at \$3,291 (not including possible cost of ice packs and first aid kits).
- \$500 budget to purchase wooden bats to be used as MTAA "house bats".
- Baseball budget approved at \$18,630.
- Spring clean-up date for MTAA concession and field set for April 6th ~ 9:00am.
- \$275 budget approved to have left field leaky water valve fixed.
- Leaking slushy machine servicing approved, quoted at ~ \$300.

Minutes submitted by Melissa Smeltzer, Recording Secretary