

**Muhlenberg Township Athletic Association**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**November 26, 2012**

**Meeting Attendance:** Ted Ellis (\*), Michele Cheri, John Wellington, Tim McWilliams, Andy Jankowski, Amarilys Allen, Becca Weiler, Dave Weiler, Crystal Hurst, Melissa Smeltzer, Cori Olmeda, Hip Olmeda, Chris Rear (\*), Mike Eberhart, Jen Eberhart, Brad Coley (\*), Scott Yerger (\*), Don Raifsnider(\*), Kelli Miller (\*), Frank Pilat (\*), Danielle Sheipe(\*), Heather Rosenberry, Joe Zona, Sherri Fulp (\*)

\*Denotes Board Member

**Meeting Called to Order at 7:30pm by Frank Pilat**

**October Minutes** were approved

**Treasury** Report- \$26,662.75, all bills paid

**Commissioner Reports:**

**Football**

- About a dozen people did not return equipment yet. Chris giving them one more week then will instruct treasurer to bill them for unreturned equipment.
- League punt, pass, and kick competition had 3 MTAA children who placed, they were: Brad Coley Jr, Jordan Rear and Darien Keiper.

**Fall Ball (report emailed-Jeff not present)**

- All equipment has been returned and was put away in the upstairs shed including coach's keys Jeff will turn in in near future
- Jeff's commissioner resignation was effective 11/1/12. He has not heard from Tom Kline since they spoke last about taking over, he will follow up.
- Mark Christman and Phil Racuglia have advised Jeff they will be unable to offer the instructional level in Fall, 2013. We will need to follow league rules then at signups (for Fall 2013 season, player's age for the season is the age they will be on April 30, 2014). Jeff's understanding is that Mark and Phil are not be interested in offering the program in the future either.

**Cheer**

- Jen never heard back from BYCLE League for meeting they requested.
- Uniforms were gone through. Jen discarded all not able to be reused. Still looking at prices for new uniforms. Would like to purchase them for next year and also would like to continue to store equipment upstairs.

**Softball**

- Sherri had nothing to report at this time

## **Baseball**

- Kelli advised budget will be ready in 1 week
- City County monthly meeting occurred, fee increase for participation in league will probably increase from \$375 to \$500
- Uniforms prices have been invoices at a more expensive price than last year and over our normal budget

**Wrestling-** no one present to give report

## **Boys Basketball**

- Mike asked board to consider increasing ref fee from \$10 to \$15-\$20 per game. States he is having a hard time getting people to volunteer at such a low reimbursement rate. Mike states there are roughly 60 games.
- Mike confirming that ordering warm up travel shirts from 1Ball are still ok. Parents are paying for so asking is names can be put on them.

## **Girls Basketball**

- Hip reported 3 teams at each level. Practice began 11/16. League meeting 11/15. Game schedule comes out 12/6, ref fees to follow.
- Requesting travel be given warm up shirts since they do not get any t-shirt to keep. This was approved but with no names on the back since MTA is paying for them and current ruling is no names are listed when MTA reimburses. Will look to possibly consider a change for next year organization wide.

**Field Hockey-** no report at this time

**Danielle announced commissioners handbooks** were prepared and asked commissioners to take them before they left the meeting. She explained the intent is for commissioners to have a consistent guideline to follow across the organizations which includes a list of responsibilities of commissioners. This is just a first draft so we will continue to add/improve the booklet. She explained that commissioners must add their pertinent information to it and that the binder should be handed in at the end of each season to the board. Binders were distributed as follows: Chris Rear-Football, Frank Pilat-Field Hockey, Hip Olmeda-Girls Basketball, Kelli Miller-boys baseball. Cheer Commissioner and Boys Basketball Commissioner (Jen and Mike Eberhart) left their binder there, Danielle will deliver to them. Ted Ellis offered to deliver wrestling commissioner's binder to Eric Keiper the next night at practice. Will ask Kevin Button to deliver softball binder (his original was used as template) to new softball commissioner, Sheri Fulp. Fall Ball's not distributed because no commissioner has been assigned as of yet.

**Danielle provided update on nomination/elections for 2013.** Positions that will be vacant are Sgt at Arms, Recording Secretary, and up to 7 at large positions. President is also up for re-election. Brad Coley accepted nomination for Sgt at Arms. No one expressed interest is running for President. Melissa Smeltzer expressed interest in being on board and becoming

recording secretary. All other new attendees interested in possibly becoming board members placed their name on sign up sheet before leaving. They were as follows: Crystal Hurst, John Wellington, Andy Jankowski, Michele Cheri, Tim McWilliams, Heather Rosenberry, Amarilys Allen and Joe Zona.

Eligible individuals in accordance with 3 meeting attendance in all of 2012 or could have were Mike E-cannot commit to meeting time due to work conflict. Jen Eberhart- same reason due to Mike at work. Denny Eberhart-no response

Danielle explained to new attendees interested 3 meeting requirement as well as board's intention to consider voting in people who have not met that requirement. Danielle will draft ballot sheets for December meeting.

**Open Discussion-** Many questions came from new attendees ranging from concession stand committee, communication to organizations members, parental volunteers. Ideas suggested were volunteer buyout fee and end of year volunteer party to promote camaraderie.

**Meeting Adjourned 9:00pm**