

Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at pm

DRVSA GENERAL MEETING

Attendees: Bill Van Sant (President); Dan Shollenberger (Co Vice President of Operations); Kristen Matijasick (Treasurer); Diana Haeussler (Secretary/Executive Board); Michelle Bogle (Deep Run Administration), Sarah Priebus, Myles Barto, Jim McClelland, Chris DiDinato, Ryan Alderfer, Nicole Boyton
Virtual: Morgan Roller (Vice President of Administration), Evan Lowery, Amy VanSant, Thomas Faginiak

Administration update

- i. 2023 Officer Nominations
 - a. Dan S. from the nominating committee presented the 2023 Nominees and asked if there were any additional nominees to be considered. None were offered, all present nominees were voted on unanimously.
- ii. Review and approve November Minutes

Minutes were not forwarded to commissioners to review. Michelle read through quickly for all members. Kristin made a motion with Chris D. 2nd all approved.
- iii. Spring Registration
 - a. 2023 up from this time last year, opened a month early, but did not see a surge of early registrants for certain sports.
- iv. Team Snap
 - a. Travel Soccer setup a club version of Team Snap, the club would like to share that use with everyone for their coaches to use. IM Soccer, Softball Girls LAX all expressed interest. Michelle will follow up with commissioners with info to setup.
 - b. Baseball is looking into other options and will discuss with board at a later time.
- v. Sponsors
 - a. \$8350 in sponsorship, \$3,975 new sponsorship \$4,375 renewing sponsorship. Michelle will share that list with everyone. Names will be divided among sports for shirt printing reimbursement accordingly.
- vi. AED and CPR Classes
 - a. Club has 3 AED units on site throughout the facility and we are looking into adding at least 2 more to Connie Mack and Telegraph. Sarah and Nicole will make sure the shed at Telegraph housing the AED unit will be left open during practices/games and closed at the end, so unit will not need to be placed on the outside of the building.
 - b. Sarah is certifying all the lacrosse coaches. Cert is good for 2 years. She can certify 12 at a time. Sarah can set up classes to offer to the rest of the club. She will send a few

dates to Dan to get classes organized. Class is 2hrs. long, must be 16 to participate, cost for cert is \$30.

vii. Misc.

- a. Soccer and Girls Lacrosse and willing to kick in for a new larger shed at telegraph.
- b. Will be running ads via Facebook, next door, and the 309 sign is up and running advertising registration.
- c. Michelle will be sending out a spreadsheet for Sherman Williams paint order. Myles got the paint machine up and running – way to go Myles!

Financial Update

i. Current Financials

- a. Reviewed December statements, income for the year is \$76,000.
- b. Kristin is sending monthly cash flow statement reports are being sent to commissioners minus travel soccer and basketball they are updates by Michelle.
- c. Kristin reviewed the money owed to the sports and other debts owed. The executive board will review these and work on paying them down in the next ¼.

Operations and Facility Update

- i. No update

Commissioners Update

i. Basketball – Amy Vasant

- a. Intramural season is about to start, 1/14 is the 1st game day. Significant amount of practices time has been added at the local schools. Amy has received great feedback.
- b. Season will be an 8-game season except for 10th-12th. They have combined with Montgomery County and Lenape Valley to play their seasons.
- c. Picture Day will be 1/27 working on scheduling that with Travel.
- d. Ran a free jr. ref clinic led by PIAA refs for all who will be refereeing the games minus 7-12 that will be adult refs.
- e. Ran a coach's clinic along with XL sports was well attended and good feedback received.
- f. Registration is about the same as last year, with a strong coaching turnout this year.

ii. Travel Basketball

iii. Girls Lacrosse -Sarah Priebus and Nicole Boyton

- a. Sarah will be holding a CPR certificate class for the girls LAX coaches.
- b. Working on another clinic with the high school.

- c. Getting a lot of calls from people outside the area, clubs are folding, and they are looking to join DRr, particularly 7th and 8th grade. Checking with PAGLA on what they rules would be with clubs folding. Girls LAX would be taking on about 40 new girls, may need to refund if CBAA changes mind.
 - d. Sarah and Nicole were introduced to an organization supporting mental health in athletes called Morgans Message. There are 2 ambassadors in the Pennridge area. If anyone is interested in taking part in any of the resources they offer let Nicole and Sarah know.
- iv. Boys Lacrosse – Mark Fanelli via email
- a. TJ Faginiak called to introduced himself. He will be Co-commissioner, with Mark and will most likely take over when he steps down next year.
 - b. Registration is up, numbers are low, but everyone waits till the end to register. Looking to field 2 A division teams (7/8 grade), 1 B level team (5/6 grade), and a C1 and C2 division team(3/4 grade). As always, it all depends on the numbers.
 - c. We have entered our projected teams in 1 mid-season tournament. Season is scheduled to start in mid-March with practices to start in mid-February. SEPYLA schedule will be released with the 1st draft on March 1 which will tell us the # of home games we will host per team.
 - d. New members have stepped up to be on the board in these positions. Mark Fanelli Co-Commissioner TJ Faginiak Co-commissioner, Scott Keating SEPYLA rep, Mike Brown Secretary, David Le Field Director
- v. Soccer – Myles Barto
- a. 80 registrants and 20 volunteers, very happy.
 - b. Need sponsor sheets to get teams ready.
 - c. Looking to start season 4/2, with easter being the next weekend.
 - d. Adding coach's clinic and a goalie clinic for 4th grade and up.
 - e. Adding shelving to room in clubhouse to house gear.
 - f. Field 2 & 3 fertilized and sprayed early March to finish out fields.
 - g. Working on soccer field maps for Michelle to update signs.
 - h. Will get Michelle Facebook admin contact to help streamline.
- vi. Travel Soccer – Scott
- a. Congratulations to the 2014/15 Girls Rebels for winning their Fall League!
 - b. Our final registration numbers for travel soccer this year- 200 players. This is up from 154 players last year! About a 30% increase in participation!
 - c. Turkey Tournament was a big success. We had great weather for the girls' day (on Saturday). On the boys' day (Sunday), we did experience some rain and did have to cancel the last 2 hours. But, every team played 2 games and about 1/3 of the brackets were able to finish to completion. I heard no complaints. Every response I received in person or via email after was about how much their teams, players and families enjoyed their experience. We had 94 teams participate. Last year, we had 74 teams and in 2019 we had 57 teams (2020 tournament was cancelled because of COVID). With the

increased team registrations, we saw increases in food and apparel revenues. We brought in approximately \$43k in gross revenue. Tournament expenses were approximately \$21k, so in all we had net revenues around \$22k. These funds will be used for capital expenses (new goals, nets, re-seeding of fields) and they cover annual operational expenses as a supplement to our player registration fees to help keep costs down for our families and community. The tournament allows us to charge registration fees that are 1/3 to 1/2 the cost of other area clubs' fees.

- d. Scott is re-working annual registration fees to incorporate more of our steady charges that every team pays out of their budget. This includes TeamSnap, the Turkey Tournament registration and our lights for October/ November. This way, the club will have the funds for these items in their accounts and these are items teams will no longer have to include in their budgets.
 - e. We have almost completed the TeamSnap migration from individual teams to a club/ league account. This will save the travel program approximately \$200 per year from the 15 individual team accounts we have. Each additional team that is added will be another \$100 in savings annually. The cost is \$1295 per year. Teams are unlimited, so we can also include IM/ Rec teams under this account (will have the availability function in TeamSnap unlike the free/ basic team accounts that usually get used for IM). Other sports if they are interested can use this club/ league account as well.
 - f. While we will start preparing for the spring, we will also beginning planning for next year's tryouts. They usually occur at the end of March/ early April.
- vii. Softball – Jim McClelland
- a. Will be offering Intramural Pitching Clinics February 11th and 18th for 10U, 12U and 15U.
 - b. Expecting registration to pickup in February.
 - c. Natalie and Jenn are looking to take a step back and will be holding an Intramural Softball Meeting - January 25th at 6:00 at the DR Clubhouse: This meeting will be open to all who are interested in helping to plan our spring season and hopefully getting some interested people to join the board.
 - d. Let Bill know how drainage is working at field 4.
- viii. Travel Softball
- ix. Baseball
- a. Registration has started off well.
 - b. Opening day committee is forming and meeting 1/23, 6 volunteers.
 - c. 1/18 will be hosting a travel meeting with coaches to get everyone unified in the travel program.
 - d. March will be holding a coach's meeting to go over rules, drills, etc. for all coaches.
 - e. Phantoms fundraiser did not do as well as last year.
 - f. Summer Sizzler raised \$9,000, will talk with travel teams about getting help to organize tournament.
 - g. Will do cow flop again this year, but no date yet.
 - h. Making a big push to get more baseball families to Volunteer.

- i. Evan handed out flyers to all the local daycares/preschools.

- x. Connie Mack – Chris DiDinato
 - a. More adults are registered than kids, hoping to get more among the 13-16 range. May not have enough for a spring team.
 - b. Connie Mack Summer schedule will allow kids to play AAU and still play for DR, all games will be weekdays games.
 - c. Need to really get the word out to drive up registration. Big disconnect once kids age out of majors. They have not been retained the last few years and causing very low numbers for our Connie Mack program.

- xi. Travel Baseball

Operations and Facility Update

- ii. No update

New Business

- i.

Meeting adjourned at 9:58pm