TIGER FOOTBALL CLUB

Board Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2022

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:48 PM

**Board Attendees:** Jim Lambo, Jaber Farhan, Rachael Houle, Anthony Swayze, Chris Russo, and Craig Lutcza

**Member Attendees:** Chris Kastner and Andy Bujno

1. **Review/approval of 1/10/2022 minutes**
2. **Treasurer’s Report:**
   1. Closing Balance
      * ending January: $13,605.18
      * February Transactions as of 2/15: $300 for the website, leaving a balance of $13,305.18 as of the date of the meeting
   2. Discuss review of bookkeeping software
      * Moneyminder.com; there is a feature that will link with the bank; Jim and Jaber are currently working on that feature
   3. Review/approve 2022 Projected Budget (Attachment 1)
      * Budget is based on 73 returning players for tackle and 50 flag players (Goal is 100 players for tackle)
      * Looking to possibly setting up a separate bank account for concessions and also looking at a Venmo account
3. **Secretary Report:** Update on Social Media pages
   * + As of 2/15 Facebook has reached over 2,700 people
     + Instagram has 76 followers
     + Will continue to push information through both platforms to get information out there to more families
4. **Director’s Report:**
   1. Update Board on the 501c status update
      * IRS still backed up; based on the information provided TFC should be in the next batch for approval
      * Benefit is no sales tax and corporate sponsors
   2. Update on insurance proposals and start date of the policy
      * Current insurance has TSA covered until August 1st. However, we need insurance for TFC to reserve gyms.
      * Jim has 3 quotes for insurance: Sadler makes the most financial sense; $2677 is based on 6 teams.
      * Sadler requires TFC to join AYFL – Jim to do that.
   3. Online registration - do we want to add birth certs?
      * $3 fee added to registration cost when you sign up online
      * Agreed not to add birth certificates to the website, will require them at equipment pick up
   4. Glazier’s clinic in AC on March 3-5th -who is going?
      * Currently Jim, Chris, Brian, Mike, and Anthony are interested or are attending.
      * Put the word out to any coach that may be interested
   5. St. Patrick’s Day parade March 13th (cheer is interested in joining)
      * Chris is working on cards to hand out during the parade (Attachment 2) Card will be updated to remove the registration year so that it can be used in the future
      * 500 cards are less than $100
      * A separate meeting will be scheduled to plan for the parade
   6. Update on Allamuchy Rec meeting on 1/11/22
      * Receptive to helping us out
      * They have $15,000 in capital improvement funds that they need to spend; will look to see how we can utilize that for TFC
   7. Review TSA/TFC Agreement
      * All members agreed that we need to have an agreement between TFC and TSA
      * Jim drafted up an agreement (Attachment 3); will adjust some of the wording in paragraph 2 and then sit down and present it to TSA for Chuck’s signature
   8. Confirm dates for offseason workouts/ clinic/ minicamp

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| Sunday | April | 10th | Spring workout |
| Sunday | April | 24th | Spring workout |
| Sunday | May | 15th | Spring workout |
| Sunday | May | 22nd | Spring workout |
| Sunday | June | 12th | Combine |
| Monday thru Wednesday | July | 18th-20th | Mini Camp |
| Monday thru Wednesday | July | 18th-20th | Equipment Pick Up |

* + - Spring workouts in April looking at reserving the HS gym or field depending on the weather
    - Spring workouts in May looking at reserving a field in Allamuchy or the HS field
    - Combine – hopefully at HS field
    - Mini Camp (evening) looking at Riverfront so it is easy to pick up equipment at the Red Shed after
    - Coaches will be asked to stay for all levels to help out and also talk with parents

1. **Equipment Report:**
   1. update on the helmets and contact information
      * no update on helmets as of 2/15
      * spoke with Chuck and he stated helmets would be going out in a couple of weeks
      * Craig and Anthony plan on counting the helmets the week of the 19th to determine how many new ones we need?
      * What do we want to do with the helmets that are no good and can’t be sent out to Ridell?
      * Craig to touch back with Chuck
   2. review pricing on varsity jersey
      * New varsity jerseys are $53/jersey; need 30 black and 30 white
      * Put a poll out to the public to determine orange or white numbers for the new jerseys
      * Allowing Varisty players to pick their numbers if they register by our April meeting
      * Orange jerseys with the player name will be utilized as the 8th grade graduating gift, will be handed out the night of the pep rally
2. **Recruiting Report:**
   1. Registration starts 3/1/22 and ends 3/31/22
   2. TSA doing in person (3/12, 3/16, 3/26, 3/30)
      * Looking for volunteers to be at in-person registration to represent TFC
      * Chris tentatively volunteered for 3/12 and 16
   3. Signs: hand out to board members to place
      * Each board member took signs to place around sending towns.
      * Chris handed out a sheet with high visibility areas for sign placement (Attachment 4)
      * Just remember that we need to collect the signs at the end of March
   4. How to get schools involved- review list of preschools in the area
      * Mike reached out to the gym teachers and received no response; will reach out to the PTOs for them to post-registration information on their social media accounts.
   5. Flyer for schools/rec departments
      * Jim will be sending flyers to all the schools
   6. Target Wrestling Club (only 12-14 wrestlers play football)
      * Jim will be attending the tournament at the HS on the 19th to try and recruit new players
3. **Coaches Report:**
   1. Update on HS coaching search
      * No update on HS coach however the job has been posted
      * There is a football hiring committee and we asked if we could be a part of it. Have not heard back
   2. RUTGERS certification
      * All coaches need to be certified
      * Dates of the certification classes have been sent out to the coaches
      * Certification is lifetime
4. **Concessions Report:**
   * + None
5. **Fundraising/Sponsorship Report:**
   1. Review sponsorship letter and level of each sponsorship
      * Jim created a sponsorship letter to be reviewed by the board and used to get sponsors (Attachment 5); format is very similar to what Colonial uses
      * Adding car dealership to the possible sponsorship list
   2. Dates for Flag Tournament
      * First weekend in June either the 5th or 12th
   3. Beefsteak?
      * Put on hold until there is a new HS coach
      * Looking to partner with the HS
   4. Haunted corn maze (MO raises $7,200 off theirs)
      * Is this something we want to do? Can we find a farm?
6. **Flag Report:**
   1. Update on NFL Flag
      * Approved this week
      * Goal of 50 players
      * New league - $25-$30 a jersey
      * $3.97/player for insurance – board agreed it was worth it to use NFL insurance for flag
      * Run the level as we see fit utilizing the NFL options
      * Typically 5v5 or 7v7; 10 players per team
      * Every 5 players TFC receives a football
      * NFL offers a package to get matching pants – we would need to offer this at signups
      * Just NEED coaches
7. **League Reps:** 
   1. Update on the first MCYFL league meeting of 2022
      * One person should always attend the meetings
      * Updated to the new program from TSA to TFC
      * Wayne wants back into the league – league voted no
      * Morristown possibly looking to come back into the league
      * Ringwood will stay in the league
      * Metal helmet clips are back to being OK – no longer a violation
      * Possible 7v7 tournament 5th-8th grade or an All-star game 5th-8th grade as a fundraiser
      * Weight increase as it is an even year; should see this by May
      * Adding 3 refs for each level
      * Do we want/agree with adding a mandatory 9th game and playoffs at the lower levels?
      * Can utilize an EMT or a trainer
8. **New Business:** 
   1. Any additional topics the Board would like to discuss
      * Raised $675 from the fragrance fundraiser; money will be used to buy the promotional cards with the QR code as well as looking into purchasing an IPad to film games
      * Reaching out to HS to see if there is an Audio/Visual Club where the members would want to help us film.
9. **Adjournment:** 10:25PM
10. **Next Meeting:** March 14th @ 7:45PM