Deerfield Park District Affiliate Organization Advisory Committee

Minutes of November 18, 2021

The meeting of the Affiliate Organization Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:00 p.m. The following were:

Present: Stuart Slutzky, Mike Delaney, Ryan Twose, Brandon Bashkin, Mike Irvine, Daniel Moons, Dan Schwab, Keith Londo*, Debbie Serota, Jay Zahn, Laura McCarty, Jeff Nehila

*entered meeting late

Welcome

New representatives from DYBA, Brandon Bashkin and Mike Irvine, and AYSO, Daniel Moons, were introduced and welcomed to the committee.

Public Comment

No emails from the public were received prior to the meeting.

Review of Minutes

The committee reviewed the minutes of the July 15, 2021 meeting with no changes.

Recap of 2021 Fall Season

Laura thanked everyone for their cooperation and flexibility navigating the past year. It was an active season, somewhat back to normal, with a lot of field usage.

Field & Lighting Costs

Invoices for field and lighting usage were sent out recently. Please reach out with any comments.

Upcoming Season Dates for Spring/Summer 2022

Laura asked that representatives send their spring and summer 2022 season dates to her so she can create a master calendar. She reminded representatives that field usage for spring/summer is from the end of March through mid-November.

Dan S. stated that their enrollment numbers are larger than anticipated and asked how fields would be divided up. He is concerned that Shepard isn't going to be big enough since they will have a minimum of 8 teams. Jay asked if Dan S. thought that space would be available in the back forty at Deerfield High School. Dan S. stated that they are very interested in using that space, but they are not sure it is big enough. Dan S. reminded everyone that the high school has first use of the space. Laura commented that everyone will do their best to work together and distribute space as fairly as possible.

2022 Special Events

AYSO Soccer Camp is usually held the first week of August. DYBA will host the Wooden Bat Tournament June 16-19 and the Softball Tournament June 24-26.

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2022 Meeting Dates

Laura asked representatives if they would mind changing the February meeting to March 3 and moving the July meeting to August 4. Representatives were in favor of moving the meeting dates closer to the start of their seasons.

Other Items

Special Needs Inclusion for Affiliates

Laura reminded everyone that the district is inclusive of all athletes regardless of special needs. If someone would need assistance or a companion it would fall on the affiliate, but the park district would help in any way. The park district is partnered with NSSRA who would come and provide training and recommendations if needed.

Affiliate Reports to Board of Park Commissioners

Laura reminded affiliates that their annual reports to the board are due. Options are January 20 or February 17. Affiliates were asked to include in their reports fees and dues paid by participants, a list of board members, the goals and objectives of the organization, current revenue or income and current resident/non-resident participation numbers. Affiliates chose as follows: January 20 – Adult Soccer, AYSO and DYBA; February 17 – Pegasus, Young Warriors and DYLC.

Master Schedule for 2022

Laura informed affiliates that she is working to create a master schedule of all the field usage throughout the season. This will help everyone to know who is playing where and when.

Other

Keith mentioned that he is working with DYBA to get a Geotech out to Brickyards to take borings and complete a report. He will share the information with the park district before moving forward.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 3, 2022.