

NEC Board Meeting Minutes 6/19/23

Present Board Members: Kenny Boucher, Rachel Boudreau, Amy Maxwell, Shannon Goulart, Carolyn Motzi, Samantha Fantozzi, Shayna Boudreau, Keith Maxwell, Erica DeJesus, Miguel DeJesus, Kristin West, Caroline Carril

Non-Present Board members: None

Meeting Start time: 6:31pm

Location: Nashua Elks Lodge

Motion to accept May meeting minutes by Kenny, was second by Shayna Boudreau

President Update

- a) There was a Bylaw change at the state level in regards to out of out of state waivers for those who played in 2022-Anyone grandfathered in and has a sibling can play
- b) There's a new organization in AYF/AYC called Kingswood from Wolfeboro, NH. Details on this team are still emerging.
- c) EMT is mandatory at every game; games will not begin without EMT on site
- d) The regulation size of the footballs has changed for the season by team. Flag up to 9U are using K2, 10U through 12U are using TDJ, and 13U is using TDY
- e) Football scores for this season need to be submitted by 8pm on Sunday night via email by organization president
- f) Information for football games will be released on Wednesdays each week
- g) The following organizations submitted to host playoffs: Manchester East, Manchester South, PAL, Bedford, Derry, and NEC. The State will finalize a decision.
- h) AYF football camp at Gill Stadium is cancelled due to lack of volunteers
- i) AYF is talking about integrating spring flag football for next year
- j) AYF-Will there be a girl's flag football option? No information on this as of right now
- k) Flex Football-there was talk in years past about starting this program, but it didn't generate enough interest to start
- l) PAL coordinator wants to incorporate 8 & 9U as instructional football- the agreement that was reached is that 9U is allowed to have coaches assisting on the field

Cheer Update

- a) July cheer camp has 7 NEC athletes attending, and 2 coaches (Shannon & Andrew)
- b) July 26th there's a coaches and coordinator meeting
- c) August 5th All head coaches must attend the meeting

- d) Regionals-UNH- The state wants organizations to send help. Coordinators and Presidents already have assignments
- e) Dads team-performance at Regionals and possibly at State competition
- f) July 22nd Athletes have until this date to sign up for cheer camp, which is July 28-30th at St. Anselm's college in Manchester, NH
- g) There's 274 cheer athletes currently signed up to attend cheer camp at St. A's so far

Open Board Positions

- a) Football Coordinator
- b) Football Equipment Manager
- c) Assistant Football Equipment Manager

Treasurer Update

- a) Football helmet deposit was put down in the amount of \$13,879.00
- b) \$17,241.18 in Checking
- c) \$19,144.99 in Money Market

Fundraising

- a) Haywards giveback profit was \$158
- b) SNHU event profit was \$1,718.00
- c) Altitude trampoline park giveback profit was \$98.85
- d) Margarita's giveback night is this Thursday (6/22) from 3pm-1am and will count for food only. Must show NEC flyer to get credit for the giveback
- e) SNHU event-Hollywood Vampires is an event that was offered to NEC to volunteer at on July 29th-Most Board members are away on vacation so this will not be an option
- f) Silver Knights will offer 50% of their 50/50 to NEC on July 28th. Time:6pm at Holman Stadium
- g) Giveback fundraiser at Panda Express on DW highway in Nashua is going to be on September 1st
- h) Erica is trying to find an alternate fundraiser for the coupon book fundraiser we were going to participate in this fall. Will update everyone at the next meeting
- i) Car wash information will go out this week. There will be 2-hour increments to sign up via a sign-up genius from 9am-1pm at Pepboys in Nashua on July 22nd and August 5th
- j) There was question about the Casino fundraiser and if dates were all set for that- Kenny informed everyone that NEC is not in good standing with the Gaming and Charitable Trust.
 - I. How does something like this happen? NHCT12 report & 990 need to be filed
 - II. Denise is name of the woman who prepares the NEC taxes each year

- III. Accountant needed 2021 expense report, so Kenny gave her the information-It was brought up that Denise should've had this information from preparing 2021 taxes already. Kenny said he was going to call and get update on when this matter would be cleared up.
 - a. **UPDATE:** The issue with the expense report is related to the checks written for the cash calendars did not provide a memo. Expenses must be itemized and reflect reason for the check.
- IV. Erica's contact for this casino fundraiser said she will hold our current dates if this is taken care of

Old Business

- a) Amy Jones was following up with Kenny in regards to her waivers being granted- He was going to ask the PAL President at their presidents meeting on Wednesday
- b) Following up on one of our previous conversations- Will there be tall black socks included in the pricing of the football uniforms? Yes, they are included. And athletes were asked for their shoe/sock sizes at the uniform fitting
- c) Custom football jerseys-Should extra non customized jerseys be ordered in case there are late sign ups? The rep from the uniform company said many organizations do this to prevent athletes from not having matching uniforms if they sign up later than the order is placed. Everyone agreed we should order extra. No agreement on how many or sizes that should be ordered. Will need to discuss further
- d) Uniform Fittings-at next registration in July- Some board members don't feel comfortable sizing without Kenny there to make sure of proper fitting
- e) Pink socks for Breast Cancer Awareness Month-Are parents paying for them? How much will they be? Will discuss further at our next meeting

New Business

- a) With 3 football organizations within our city now, the field time at Stellos needs to be divided
- b) NEC will have 1st game at Nashua South High School on August 27th
- c) September 10th , October 1st and October 22nd will be home games at Stellos
- d) Cougars will be playing games on Sundays as well
- e) No Concessions at Stellos anymore-Mr.Dudley retired
- f) We can't use Stellos concession stand, but we can set up food and drinks at home games now-Still awaiting details on what the requirements are to set up concessions during home games
- g) Pennichuck and Fairgrounds tracks will be under construction this summer. Set to be completed by August 8th if there are no delays
- h) PAL said we can use their fields to practice. Some agree South would be more ideal because of traffic on Broad St during rush hour

- i) Main Dunstable Fields would also be a nice option if the high schools can't accommodate
- j) Rachel and Kenny to look into these options so we can reserve the fields asap to prevent any issues
- k) Rachel met with Lisa Gingras to help establish a repour with her in regards to gym/mat time for our cheer athletes
 - I. Lisa agreed that we can have gym/mat time in September and October for our athletes. Gym/mat time will be at Elm St in the Chestnut St gym on Tuesday & Thursday nights from 6-8:30pm and Saturday from 8am-10am. Shannon asked Rachel to put in a request to have the gym/mats from 8am-12pm on Saturdays to allow more mat time for the athletes
 - II. November & December we will need to find gym/mat space because it's unavailable through the Nashua schools because of school sports going on-Rachel asked Shannon to take the reigns on this task. Shannon said she will inquire about Fairgrounds for these months
 - III. Rachel said Lisa made it clear that the High school gyms would be off limits to us- There was question as to why that is because PAL is able to use North High School for many of their practices, but we won't have that option?
 - IV. Need a plan for guaranteed gym/mat time for each season- The idea of a \$1,000 donation to go toward wear and tear of mats seasonally was discussed-Rachel wanted feedback from the Board. There was a thought that a percentage toward new mats be donated instead of a flat yearly fee that would potentially be a more reasonable solution. Will need to discuss further as nothing was agreed upon
 - V. Lisa said to just be ready for when the time arises to help make a donation of some sort to go toward new mats for the cheer athletes
 - VI. The Board agrees there needs to be a set amount put away each season in the budget for this
 - VII. Winter Cheer-Can we get the school district to work with us? If not, what other options are there? Need to discuss further but need our cheer coordinators seeking options in order for winter cheer to happen
 - VIII. If NEC were to ever purchase mats Lisa said they could be stored at Elm St for the season, but would need to be removed afterward. Does buying mats make sense? Where would NEC store them? Does NEC have funds to even contemplate doing this? Who could transport the mats to and from Elm St each season? No definite answers were discovered in this conversation
- l) July 19th Football/Cheer Registration night from 6-8pm at Stellos-Board members able to be present that night are: Cara, Samantha, Erica, Miguel, and Caroline

- m) Uniform Fitting on Monday, July 24th from 6-8pm at Pennichuck out back by the trailers- Must drive out back to the trailers. Keith & Mr. Tripp offered to help Kenny with this task.
- n) Football numbers
 - I. 5yr olds- 2
 - II. 6yr olds-2
 - III. 7yr olds-2 flag and 3 tackle
 - IV. 8yr olds- 4
 - V. 9yr olds-5
 - VI. 10 yr olds-5
 - VII. 11 yr olds-2
 - VIII. 12 yr olds-3
 - IX. 13 yr olds-12
- o) Kenny mentioned there will be some PAL football athletes coming over to the 13U team
- p) 16 football athletes need to be rostered for 13U, we should have about 20 athletes
- q) 13U Head football coach is Jimmy Rogers
- r) 11U Head football coach is Andrew Donaghey
- s) 9U Head football coach is still TBD
- t) Flag may have a parent interested Kenny said
- u) Shannon provided feedback that any athletes of age to cheer for NEC but are a freshman are required to try out for high school cheer before they can participate with NEC. Tryouts for high school are 8/14 which is already into the NEC practice season. There was discussion about whether this is the appropriate approach. This will require further conversation
- v) Cheer numbers
 - I. Tiny Mites- 7
 - II. D8- 16
 - III. D10- 15
 - IV. D12- 14
 - V. D14- 7
- w) Additional assistant coaches will be needed for Tiny Mites and D8
- x) Amy Jones asked if she submits receipts can she be reimbursed for YCADA & CPR trainings? Yes, and Shannon will be sending information with instructions on how to get reimbursed
- y) Mr.Tripp asked if Wolfeboro will be playing this season. Kenny said yes and they are still waiting for an update at the Presidents meeting on Wednesday for additional details about this new team

Kenny motioned to adjourn at 8pm and Caroline Carril second the motion

