

## GREATER 19 YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Minutes for MARCH 2005 Monthly Meeting

“That’s the beauty of this league.”

Call to order at 7:45PM by JOE DEMARCO, PRESIDENT.

**Attendance:** All communities present.

**Approval of the minutes:** Correction to the Sportsman Committee meeting minutes: Thomas Jefferson was represented by Jim Bernard and Kevin Langlois. Motion made by USC to accept FEBRUARY minutes, seconded by SV. Motion passed unanimously.

**Communications and Correspondence:** Next meeting APRIL14, 2005 at 7:30pm at USC.

Clairton Youth Football contacted the Secretary, Troy Baxendell regarding getting into the G19YFL. A letter was sent to Troy. Will forward this letter to the league.

Jeff Balzer of NA contacted Pine-Richland regarding joining the G19YFL. Dan Lang, president of P-R, stated that at this time P-R is not interested in joining but there may be a possibility in the future.

**Report of the Treasurer:** Present balance of \$112.83.

A letter of thanks was passed around by Joe Scarillo from Toys for Tots thanking the G19 for the donation in December.

**Old Business:** Joe Demarco suggested that the Webmaster be invited to attend the G19 meetings. SV reps to follow up and extend the invitation.

*Sportsman Committee Meeting.* The committee met Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> at Dormont Municipal Building. The following recommendations were made.

ITEM 1: *Number of people on the sidelines/ coaches per team should be limited to 6 and they should be identified with lanyards.* Motion made by PT and seconded by BP to adopt a max of 6 coaching personell be allowed in the coaches box and they will be issued a lanyard to identify them. Roll call vote taken and passed unanimously.

ITEM 2: *Championships held exclusively at turf fields.* No changes made. It will remain on a rotating basis.

ITEM 3: *Eliminate coaches on the field at 10-11.* No changes made. One coach per team will be permitted on the field.

ITEM 4: *Eliminate kick offs at 6-7.* Motion made by SV to hold kick offs at the beginning of each half. After touchdowns the opposing team will get the ball on their 30 yard line. Seconded by TJ. Motion tabled so it can be taken back to the communities for review.

Item 5: *Start the season earlier.* 5 scenarios were reviewed. It was agreed to use scenario #3 which was unchanged from last season. No changes made.

Item 6: *Eliminate the use of electronic devices at all age groups.* Motion made by PT and seconded by SV to eliminate electronic devices at 10-11, allow them at 12-13 provided each community supply their own devices and be afforded the opportunity to use them. Motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:** 12-13 year old division. Three options were discussed:

#1. Have an “A” division with only 12 year old teams. Also have a “B” division for only those communities that field 12 and 13’s combined. Only A division games would count for the A division and only B division games would count for those in the B division. There would be 2 cross divisional games with the understanding that the games be controlled as to points scored and match up’s 12 vs. 13.

#2 G19YFL would have only all 12 year old teams. Those communities that field 12-13 combined would have to find another league to play in.

#3 G19YFL would combine the 12 and 13’s and stay all “within house”.

After much discussion this item was tabled until next Wed. March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at USC for a Special Meeting.

Motion to adjourn by BP seconded by NA. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 pm.

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