

GREATER 19 YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Minutes for the April 2010 League Meeting

Executive Board Attendance: (Person / Present / absences in 2010)

Joe Scarillo – President / YES / 0
Pat Panteley – Vice-President / NO / 3
JD Wilson – Treasurer / YES / 1
Scott Madeira – Secretary / YES / 1
Dave Conn – Sportsman Committee Chair / YES / 0

Community Attendance: (Community / present / total absences in 2010)

Bethel Park / YES / 0
Canon McMillan/ NO / 1
Keystone Oaks / YES/ 0
North Allegheny / YES/ 0
Peters Township / YES / 0
Seneca Valley / YES / 0
South Fayette / YES / 1
Upper St. Clair / YES / 0

Next meeting: League meeting on May 13th at 8:00 pm at Dormont.

Meeting called to order at 8:08 PM.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve USC by and 2nd by BP and minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report: Current Balance \$436.04. No activity this month.

Old Business:

1. Rules changes will be finalized in May. This will cover alignment issues and any other changes to the rules for the 2010 season. Referees will be invited to June meeting to discuss.
2. Bret Harsh – provided information on providing EMT services to all G19 communities. He will commit to providing the right number of people for a field for the day. BP and PT currently use the service. NA uses a similar service.
3. Darrell from PT is providing an update from Rick Young, a doctor from PT, on concussions.
 - a. Merrill Hoge (former Steeler) is driving legislation that will force players to sit out afterhead shots until cleared by a physician to return.
 - b. Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE) – permanent brain damage and brain degeneration can only be identified post-mortem. Symptoms may or may not be present. It is cumulative effects of head trauma that cause long term damage.
 - c. G19 Policy / Response:

- i. Existing G19 Rule – removal from game because of head injury disqualifies player for remainder of game.
 - ii. League should put together a letter to all communities that stress the importance of pre-injury screenings / baselines.
 - iii. Communities can look at getting IMPACT testing through their high school athletic department. Communities can buy the test for their use in the \$800 to \$1000 range.
 - iv. Update the G19 web site to include a comprehensive section on concussions and head injuries.
 - v. Coaches will be addressed at the smoker on proper identification and awareness of head injuries.
4. NA will be looking at new scale guy for smoker. NA and SV have used them in the past and they were very good.
5. South Suburban 12/13 update – meeting on Tuesday. Pushing all communities for 13s. We may play some teams that are mostly 12s and we can decide at that time if we play them or not.
6. Alignment Issues / Definitions – 8/9 –
 - a. Dave Conn will work with Dave Yantek and the league to come up with a plan to present at the meeting next month. Formal presentation at May meeting.
 - b. Middle linebacker lines up directly behind center – discussion of having them line up between tackles or be forced to line up behind center.
 - c. Look at changing 6 yd mandatory distance for safeties at 6/7 when inside your own 10 yd. line.

New Business:

1. 6/7 players on the field driven by registration numbers in all of the communities. Will be addressed in July or August for coming season as to whether it is 9 on 9 or 11 on 11.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 9:42 pm by All