

GREATER 19 YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
Minutes for the October 2006 Monthly Meeting  
“That’s the beauty of this league”

**Executive Board Attendance:** (Person / Present / absences in 2006)

Joe DeMarco – President / YES / 1  
Paul Hoffman – Vice-President / NO / 6  
Joe Scarillo – Treasurer / YES / 0  
Scott Madeira – Secretary / YES / 2.5  
Jeff Balzer – Sportsman Committee Chair / NO / 5

**Community Attendance:** (Community / present / total absences in 2006)

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

**Next meeting:** Playoff Scheduling Monday October 22<sup>nd</sup> – 6:00 PM, Al’s Café  
League Meeting: Thursday November 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM @ USC

**Meeting called to order at 8:39 PM.**

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by KOA, 2<sup>nd</sup> by PT. Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer Report:** \$3901.84 in the bank. Payments outstanding for last 2 payments on trophies. About \$2700 after the 2 trophy payments. League will pay for referees in Super Bowl.

**Old Business:**

1. 12/13s – season going well so far. No problems. We need to discuss 12/13s after the season. Perhaps adopt a model like SSYFL – 8U, 9U, 10U, 11U, 12/13. SSYFL also offers early weigh-ins for the heavy kids so they can eat during the day. Needs much discussion as to G19 direction.
2. Sportsman’s committee update – NA and CM protest submitted and then retracted.
3. Protocol for filing protests to the league
  - a. Coaches to submit protest through league rep to the executive board (to Balzer primarily)

- b. Do not send mass emails
- 4. Referee Update
  - a. Our expansion is part of the problem. Need to figure out how to continue growth and have enough referees.
  - b. 10AM Saturday is JV time so that impacts us. Some talk in WPIAL of JV moving to Mondays again. G19 may need to look at afternoon and evening Saturday games and Sunday afternoon games too.
  - c. Possibility - make 6/7 developmental and have no referees
  - d. Each association needs to look into what their preferences are for how we schedule games – Sunday, Saturday evenings / late afternoons, etc.
  - e. 44 refs in tri-rivers and 13 won't do our games because of our coaches – 31 referees to cover our games.
  - f. May look into GPFOA as well as the chapter that helps out for the “north” games as an alternate provider of referees.
  - g. Possibly have neutral community people or high school kids referee 6/7 and 8/9 games
  - h. Referees, in many cases, refuse to keep time on the field which is contrary to what we have been told by tri-rivers leadership the referees were instructed to do.
- 5. Playoff Qualifications – please review in General Rules – briefly discussed in the meeting
  - a. Need to fix typos on 3 conference section – Top 2 teams in each conference based on conference record make playoffs. The 2 wildcards are selected based on the overall records of the teams that remain.
  - b. Week 8 games are REQUIRED for non-playoff teams – BP 8/9s are playing themselves in a mini-tournament. Everybody else will be scheduled on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- 6. Championship games – KOA (times are preliminary)
  - a. 6/7 – 9:00
  - b. 8/9 – 11:30
  - c. 10/11 – 2:00
  - d. 12s – 4:30
- 7. Referees for playoffs –
  - a. Rounds 1 and 2 – an extra referee per game (could impact consolation games)
  - b. Super Bowl – 5 referees per game (1 is on the clock)
- 8. Programs / T-shirts – may have programs and t-shirts at Super Bowl
- 9. Steelers contacted us – some of our games may be filmed – Sandy Roma from the Steelers could have camera crews at some games
- 10. CM was approached by Verizon about sponsoring youth sports – could buy trophies or have them sponsor Super Bowl. Will invite them to a future meeting to see what level of involvement they would like.

**Adjourn: 10:05 PM**