



# LSO Board of Directors 2013 Annual Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 14, 2013

7:30 pm. – West Chester / Liberty Community Foundation

## Attendance:

President	Lloyd Sova	P
Vice President	Mark Lewandowski	P
Treasurer	Tom Dozier	P
Secretary	Steve Pasch	A
Soccer Commissioner	Kerri Abney	P
Baseball Commissioner	Jean Ronk	P
Softball Commissioner	Tim Bagoly	A
Flag Football Commissioner	Ernie Allsup	A
Member at Large / Blazers	Tim Adams	P
Member at Large	Open	A
Executive Administrator	Bruce Rhodes	Called in
Diamond Elite	Scott Joyce	P
LFC	Daren Keenan	P

The 2013 annual meeting was called to order by Lloyd Sova at 7:37PM.

## Open Forum – Public Comments

- Terry Holt and Suzi Thomas from Picture the Possibilities- Photographer
  - Discussed her experience with LSO and requested a status on the RFP
  - Mark reviewed process- 4 bidders submitted- ProTek, All Sports Photo, Picture the Possibilities, and one other. A subcommittee was formed from all sports to review the RFPs. Assessment criteria used included offering, staff, facilities, scheduling, value for LSO – sponsorships, etc. Mark shared the rationale for the selection of ProTek.

## Review of Minutes from December 2012

- Not reviewed – will review at February meeting

## Individual Reports / Old Business (Updates)

- President- Lloyd Sova
  - Sponsor Coordinator- Is a compensated position. We are actively recruiting.
  - Royal Redeemer Concession Shed- LSO purchased the concession stand. We need to move it to a final destination to be determined by Jean Ronk once weather permits.
  - Uniform bids- Need to work with Bruce to determine best approach and process. To be discussed further in February.
- Vice-President- Mark Lewandowski
  - Fall survey will be closed soon. Reports will be forthcoming. Response rate (168) is consistent with other years. 85-90% of ratings were Excellent to Good. 85% plan to sign up in 2013 and 90% would recommend LSO to others.
- Secretary- Steve Pasch
  - Lloyd gave an update on Steve's behalf. Proofs for Spring raffle tickets are in; Prizes are being addressed.
  - June 8<sup>th</sup> is the drawing at Donatos--- Target to distribute tickets to coaches is March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Treasurer- Tom Dozier
  - Reviewed financials year to date
  - No major expenses outstanding
  - No issues at this point

- Softball- Tim Bagoly
  - No report. March 15 is the target for beginning practice.
- Blazers- Tim Adams
  - Raffle is moving slower than expected
  - The Blazers have 6 teams with full rosters—although there is still some room for growth
  - Schedules planned; forecasted to play 100 games; have already played 27 games in (includes fall)
  - March 15 is target to begin practice
- Baseball- Jean Ronk
  - Registrations are ahead of prior year-- !
  - Little League Presidents meeting- Kevin Carrey is the new Administrator
  - Discussion ensued regarding whether to host the district tournament in July, 2013.
    - There is a cost- \$3000-4000... without concessions
    - Would need to build mounds at WJL
    - Would need volunteers for every day
    - Jean will do more investigation on cost and make a decision by the end of January
  - Background Checks – Need to appoint a person from each sport
  - March 15 is target to begin practice
- Diamond Elite- Scott Joyce
  - Diamond Elite has 8 teams; 2- 12U teams. We don't have a 15U team but are not concerned.
  - Diamond Elite feels fortunate to be a part of LSO; WJL is best field to play on and is very affordable
  - They feel they don't have strong name recognition or marketing in place. The new website will help.
  - Some select teams have access to a winter facility; we don't and that contributes to some talent loss
  - March 15 is target for practice
- Soccer- Kerri Abney
  - 3v3 Session II to start with 71 players
  - Spring registration is down by 290 players from Spring last year; marketing underway
  - Spring planning is underway; coaches are being recruited; schedule is out
  - Team placement will be done in parallel mode with MS Access and Demosphere
- LFC Soccer- Daren Keenan
  - LFC started with 9 teams/ 90 players for Fall
  - Has grown to 12 teams for the Spring with no marketing
  - CU Soccer League gets exclusive once you meet a certain age- need to have 20-30 teams and be invited; Ohio Elite agreed to sponsor our teams to play in CUSL league- Younger plays with US Club Soccer
  - Conducted try-outs for fall teams – U8-U12
  - Season runs fall-spring; will reform teams May 30
  - Planning to begin marketing campaign with an article/press release in Spring
  - Need to form a Board and fill critical administrative roles
  - Intend to double in size by next Fall
- Flag Football Ernie Allsup
  - No report
- Technology Committee- Ernie Allsup
  - Revamped website to be up in next the week
- Member at Large- Tim Adams
  - Date for Blazer raffle of Ford Mustang from Lebanon Ford is 2/13. Depending on ticket sales, may end up as split the pot.
  - Software donation from Microsoft to match cash donation

#### **New Business (Updates)**

- We will review our insurance with our agent at the next meeting
- Trash can holders being built by Boys Scouts- will hold 55 gallon and replace all receptacles at WJL
- 2014/2015 F&M contract B
- 2014/2015 for uniforms and equipment
- Meeting adjourned at 8:47PM

#### **Upcoming Meeting Schedule**

- February Board Meeting – Monday, February 11, 2013 7:30 pm, Community Foundation

#### **Minutes submitted by Kerri Abney – LSO Soccer Commissioner**