

**NORTHVALE RECREATION MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2018**

Present: John Briguglio, Nicole Cowley, Heinz Schroeder, Joe McGuire, Vinnie Grillo, Ken DeGennaro, Dave Uglione and Amy Ibrahimaj

Council Liaison: Tom Argiro

Motion to open the meeting at 8:04pm made by Ken DeGennaro, 2nd by Dave Uglione.

Motion to approve the minutes as written for the February 20, 2018 meeting made by Joe McGuire, 2nd by Dave Uglione, all in favor, minutes approved.

Soccer: Indoor season is over. Great season, no issues reported by school. 3rd/4th grade won championship against Norwood. League commissioner commented on a great game, perhaps have the team come to the mayor/council meeting with their trophy? There was an issue with Harrington Park having players play across teams, Ken dealt with this issue with the refs and coach who was not responsive. Coach was issued consequences for the actions. There will also be more attention brought to this matter across the board for all sports. Ken will continue to look into another goal for next year.

Basketball: Winter was supposed to finish this week, but Dave asked Baseball to use the gym for one day to play last games. League meeting took place last week, Old Tappan wants to host championship tournament every year but all 4 directors voted "no" and Northvale will be hosting the tournament this summer. Dave and Joe will be in touch with Rich to set up sign ups for summer basketball. Dave also brought up the concern about the length of time it has taken to get refs paid. He made numerous phone calls about this. Dave and Joe have announced they would both like to step down as commissioners by September after 8 years of volunteering.

Jr. Marksmanship: All good, the program is continuing through June.

Baseball: Met with coaches and made teams, need blackout dates for Hogan's to do the field schedule. Opening day is April 28th, looking into pushing back first game. John has concerns in regard to a parent email. He wants feedback from the committee in regard to the code of conduct and the level of "abusive" tone in this parent's email.

Opening day will have: coach's homerun derby, ice cream truck, dunk tank, pitching blowup, DJ, parade around the field, face painting. Need volunteers for snack shack. John is THANKED TREMENDOUSLY for his time in doing the field schedule for Hogan's and Veteran's.

Softball: There have been a few problems with stragglers ordering uniforms. Nicole has gotten some aggressive emails about not having a uniform sizing night. She has opened and closed community pass many times to accommodate late orders. The uniforms were pre-ordered and there are extras stored in bins for use if needed.

3rd/4th grade has 2 teams and all other levels have only 1 team. Once the draft is done for 3rd/4th level all teams will be notified. 1st/2nd level has 17 girls registered, not sure how it will work with all of them or if it can be split to two teams. The league wants to confirm the distance of pitching rubber to home plate: 3rd/4th is 35 feet and 5th/6th and 7th/8th is 40 feet. Nicole will check with DPW on this. Composite bats are required for all levels with face masks/heart guard mandatory for all levels but recommended for 1st/2nd grade level.

Tenafly is in our league but may not be able to hold home games. Speed dating for games is March 27th at Cresskill beginning at 6:00pm. Nicole and Jordan will meet with the coaches.

Motion to close the meeting at 9:23pm made by Dave Uglione, 2nd by Heinz Schroeder.