

# MARS YOUTH FOOTBALL PROGRAM

## Minutes of the Board Meeting on March 15, 2009

### Recent Achievements / Decisions Made

#	Achievement / Decision	Responsibility
1	The Board approved the process by which members can address complaints in the future. A member should submit their concern in writing via the website at least one week in advance of the next board meeting at which time the matter will be addressed by the board members in attendance.	Board
2	Doug Bayuk presented updated registration numbers. As of March 15 <sup>th</sup> , the registrations stands at 63 for the 138# team, 59 for the 115# team and 37 for the 95# team. Registrants may continue to register until May 15 <sup>th</sup> or the cap of 35 players per team is reached. New registrants should send their information to Rick for football and Audrey for Cheerleading.	Doug Bayuk
3	The Board agreed to allow members who are experiencing financial difficulties in the current economic climate to spread out the payment of their registration fees for the 2009 season. Under the new policy, registrants must pay one half of the registration fee at the time of registration and the remainder on or before May 15, 2009. It was agreed that we would not publicize this policy and would only let people know if they request special arrangements due to their current work situation.	Board
4	The Board agreed that Board Members and Head Coaches are exempt from concession stand duty in 2009. Betsy agreed to return the deposit checks for the Board Members and Head Coaches who submitted them. In addition, children aged 14 and above will be allowed to work the concession stand in lieu of their parents and neighbors who ask them to.	Board, Betsy
5	Rick Skurka announced that he received 7 coaches' kits from Dick's Sporting Goods.	Rick
6	Rick Skurka announced that four of the football registration signs were removed from 228 without authorization.	Rick
7	Rick Skurka announced the UYFL has decided to raise the weight limit for the older team from 135# to 138#	Rick
8	The Board reviewed the uniform choices submitted by Rick Skurka. It was agreed that we will make a final decision on the uniforms at the April board meeting. The Board also decided that future uniforms will be the same as the Mars High School Colors. It was agreed that the cheerleader uniforms will not be changed until their condition warrants replacement.	Board, Rick
9	After considerable discussion the Board agreed to keep the minimum play rule the same for 2009. Rick agreed to update the form used by the coaches to record playing time. The use of these forms will be strictly enforced in 2009.	Rick, Board
10	The Board decided to allow six year old boys to play football in 2009 if their birth date is on or before December 31, 2002.	Rick, Board
11	Mars Youth Cheerleading Uniform Fittings for the 2009 season are scheduled for Saturday, May 16th from 9 AM to 3 PM at the Treesdale Cider House. This is also the last day for cheerleader registration.	Audrey, Board
12	The Board agreed to discontinue the sale of "energy" drinks purchased through Quixtar (Amway) at the concession stand in 2009.	Board
13	The Board agreed to create a task force to investigate the feasibility of moving to three teams. Stacey Palmer will chair that committee and the Board will put together a set of directions/guidelines for the task force to pursue prior to the April Board Meeting.	Board

Unfinished Business / Current Action Items

#	Person	Action Item	Due Date	Next Steps
1	Rick & Sue Skurka	Fundraising Ideas	April Board Meeting	
2	Betsy & Doug Wright	Submit budget for 2009.	April Board Meeting	
3	Rick Skurka	Make final decision on uniforms for 2009	April Board Meeting	
4	Board	Establish guidelines for the 3 Team Task Force	April Board Meeting	

**Next Board Meeting: Sunday, April 19, 2009, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Treesdale Community Center**