

**SCYA Board Meeting**  
**September 2, 2008**  
**7 - 9 pm**  
**Shady Side Elementary School**

**Attendees:** Michelle Bickerton, Beverly Duvall, Lynn Strauss, Gail Atwood, Bryce Duvall, Lytle Galloway, Rodney Dilts, Rich Bowen, Emily Fox, Jerry Buhaj, Jenny Tippet, Cathy Moore, Ray & Katie Poole, Mike Baker, Mark Newman, Brion Burke, Margaret & Troy Butler, Nancy LesCallett

**President's Report:**

All the winter permits have been looked at by Brian Trott and have been submitted. Rodney has requested the Auxiliary gym at Southern Middle School for wrestling. There will be a winter scheduling meeting at SHS on Monday, September 22 at 8pm. I will be attending this meeting but would like others to attend as well.

All the Grants have been signed and returned to the county. The county will provide us with a vendor number and will cut the checks as soon as we provide them with our Tax ID number.

For those that would like something placed on the SCYA website, it must first be approved by the president. Once it is approved, the president will make sure the website gets updated.

The Sport Commissioners need to remember that team work and good communication is the key to a successful club. We need to work together and listen to everyone's opinions and concerns.

I would like to thank Dave for getting the soccer fields at SS surveyed and Bruce Oliver for tilling up fields 2 and 3 at SS.

**MOTION to accept the minutes from the August board meeting. Motion accepted and passed.**

**Treasurer's Reports:**

\$52,878.91 available.

We received the permits for dances. Great fundraiser for the club but need chaperones. Brenda Dilts and Cathy Moore have volunteered so far.

**MOTION to acknowledge that Nancy LesCallett will now be our dance coordinator. Motion accepted and passed.**

Golf tournament guaranteed 74 players but now we only have 4. Some sponsors want to pay with credit card. We need to look into that.

Soccer jerseys are paid for except for the lettering. Original Steakhouse fundraiser has been received.

Field maintenance grants are listed together in the budget. \$5,200 for the Fall season and \$6,240 in the Spring season. No grant for Shady Side. Fall grant for Old South not SAA. This is not in the numbers yet on the report.

**Old Business:**

Michelle confirmed that the Original Steakhouse check has been received and deposited.

Lynn Strauss confirmed that they are putting temporary lights up at Tracey's.

Jenny said that no practices can be before 5pm at night. She also confirmed that Lothian now has permits for field usage.

Bryce confirmed that he had to sign a contract with MD Diamond Umpires for the fees for fall baseball season umpires.

**Vice President's Report:**

Nothing at this time. Paul Atwood was not present.

**Field Maintenance:**

Brion Burke said that all the doors at Tracey's are keyed differently. Someone needs to see about getting them keyed the same so we have access.

Brion also confirmed that he would get the fields at Old South done this week. He plans to till and drag them weather permitting.

**SPORTS COMMISSIONERS:**

**Soccer:**

Lynn Strauss informed everyone that we have old shorts and jerseys to cover but will need shorts for spring soccer. Soccer will on Friday and Saturdays in SS. Dave Hersh arranged the surveyor, Paul and other helped measure everything out. We need to get plastic caps for all the posts.

The goals are off of fields 2 and 3. Field 3 will be used for softball on Wednesdays.

**Basketball:**

Jenny read an email from Brian Trott with regards to basketball. He is completing the budget. They need jerseys and equipment. A price needs to be set for county and clinic basketball. Small road signs would be good to indicate registrations. Evaluations look like they will happen the first weekend in November. A group event of a shoot-a-thon; Wizards game.

Mark Newman informed us that there will be ages 8U, 10U, 14U, 12U but need to make sure about older ages. There will be 2 – 20 minute halves. This will be easier for the kids. Want to put the league at Tracey's to prevent them from traveling so far. The county fee is supposed to be going up so Mark suggests that a \$70 fee be charged. County Girls need uniforms. Rodney Dilts said that he keeps asking Brian Trott for the budget.

Mark would like the 8, 10 and 12 yr olds to have new uniforms. Make sure they will hold up for several years. Storage available? cost? Return policy? Jenny said that he should do it up and bring

to next board meeting. Lytle asked how many uniforms do we need? Mark said that we need the uniforms before December. There are approximately 100 players. Rodney said that he wants to get Brian and Mark together to sort it all out.

### **Softball:**

Margaret Butler said that the softball program for fall should make a profit. There are 22 girls signed up. The uniforms were ruined so they had to use the tee-shirts and their own pants/shorts that the girls already had with their names on them. Two teams have been registered.

### **Baseball:**

Bryce told the board that he needs to secure 5 dz baseballs for the fall season. He asked if he provided the receipt if he could be reimbursed. Michelle Bickerton confirmed that she would reimburse him for expenses from the purchase of baseballs. Rodney Dilts confirmed that it is in the budget.

Bryce also said that only one child has asked for a refund due to traveling this fall for baseball. So far everyone seems pretty happy with the game plan. There have been 4 others that asked for a refund for other reasons – multiple sports, time, parents work schedules.

Rodney Dilts told us that we can use the SMS downstairs gym. The gym usage fees are all going up. Players should have to pitch in fees to play. 10's and 12's are at SMS and 14's are at SHS.

### **Wrestling:**

Rodney is guessing there are 16 players this year. SCYA will be the only wrestling program as the county has agreed to. They need new singlet's which will be around \$400. He still needs to get a budget from Chris Knapp, but know that this program is still going to lose \$800-900 again this season. SAA would like to discuss wrestling together since the county will only allow SCYA to hold the wrestling programs. Lytle does not agree. They have nothing to combine with us, they can come play with us but no joining. Jenny said that SAA was upset last year and left now wants to come back. SAA never had a wresting program.

Jenny said that Chris is using high school and Tracey's Tuesday and Thursday. I'll have to check with him and see because basketball needs it at Tracey's.

### **New Business/Open Floor:**

Beverly asked if we have fundraisers can it go towards a specific sports or equipment goal. Jenny said no. It is put in the "pot" for everyone to use. Beverly added that although it is a good way to fund everything, it isn't always the easiest thing to accomplish. If you allow companies and parents to donate for a specific goal, or to have a fundraiser for a specific goal you would get more cooperation. No response from Jenny.

Lytle said that there is nothing new on the golf tournament really. There are four paid players right now but several have inquired to pay by credit card. Lytle is supposed to look into this.

Emily Fox wants to know about a multiple discount for families. Jenny said that we would discuss it later.

Paul Bush said that two commissioners doesn't work. SS & UYC still an issue because of this. The players also need to be split up better. (Franklin Manor, West River, Churchton). No choice of where to play. Bryce said that it starts early. Want to be with their friends, holds back players that are talented, and keeps the club separated still as SS & UYC. Troy Butler said that many want to play with friends than to get better. Mark said that he provides venue but accommodates when needed.

Rich Bowen said that if there are more than 2 teams then have to have a A Team in Lacrosse. Is this the same in Baseball? We want SCYA to move forward, this is the way it is going to have to be. Explain this to the parents. Case by case basis for some, but have to improve to stop losing players.

Gail Atwood said that there are 53 - 4 year olds and need a separate commissioner. Jenny told her to send her a list and she will see if there is someone to do it.

Troy would like to see some sort of enforcement to the player contract conduct. Prevent lying, stealing, "f" bombing etc. Rodney said that it is up to the commissioners to enforce it.

**The next board meeting has been set for October 1, 2008. Location TBD.**

**The meeting was adjourned.**