

St. Francis of Assisi Athletic Association

Meeting Agenda for: November 21, 2019

Location: RMR

Time: 8:30 pm

Call to Order-Prayer-

Opening Comments from President

- Happy and Safe Thanksgiving!
- Big weekend for athletics in volleyball and soccer playoffs.
- Guest speaker tonight is Robert Ellis

Robert Ellis to speak at next meeting

- SFA Respect Life Committee
- Formally known as Pro-Life but they now support all stages of life
- Stressed the important role that all of us as coaches have with today's youth
- October is Respect Life Ministry month – Life Chain along Telegraph
- Second Sunday in January is the Roses for Life as a fundraiser for the Respect Life Committee
 - Donations to Birthright
- Bringing outside speakers to campus for parishioners
- Project Rachel and Project Joseph are support organizations for people who are struggling with the after effects of making the choice to have an abortion
- New Grotto installed at the Memorial for the Unborn near church – Near where nativity is set up
 - Dedication of the new memorial coming soon
- Nearly 62 million abortions have been done since legalized
- Website is available on the SFA site under Ministries – Links to a lot of support organizations
 - Good place to refer anyone who is suffering through a crisis pregnancy

Previous Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve
 - 1st – Chris Hulsey
 - 2nd – Mike Beckerman

Financial Report- Treasurer Brian Wismann

- Balance Sheet
 - Due from others is a balance from Adult Softball
 - Revenues coming in for Basketball
 - Unearned Revenue is fees coming from Basketball as well
 - \$13k paid out in concession stand deposits
- Profit/Loss
 - Golf tournament revenues
 - Linens is Intramural shirts
 - Miscellaneous expense was related to pretzels and items sold to trunk or treat
 - Small Tools and Equipment are new tablets for the concession stands
- Motion to Approve

- 1st – Joe Rothermich
- 2nd – Terry Richter

CYC Rep Report: Kevin Sajol

- Volleyball – A LOT of deductions because of scorecard issues
- Golf – Finalizing dates but playoffs should be June 13th
- Softball/Baseball
 - April 4th – Start of Season
 - Recommend starting the registration December 1
 - Likely raising cost \$10
- Scholarship info will be out by mid-December

Lay Director Reports:

Volley Ball – Dan Hufker

- Volleyball season went great
- 3 teams going to city playoffs
 - December 14th
- Hosted playoffs this past Saturday

Soccer-Chris Hulse

- Season is over for SFA teams
- One team advanced past the first round but lost the second game
- No complaints from the county
- Ran into some issues with small roster sizes
- Considering the idea of dual rostering non-select players in the non-playoff years

Intramural Soccer-Ryan Werkmeister

- Good year – All wrapped up
- Happy with the 3 year old program this year

Basketball-Abby LeCroy

- Newly appointed Lay Director introduced
- 17 teams and 142 last year – Lost 34 8th graders
 - 16 Teams and 128 players
- Working on organizing practices for start in first week of December
- Uniform pickup on Monday
- Mehlville school gyms have been booked already and are available for practices
- Frank shared very kind words about how Abby has really taken the role and ran with it. Way better than if Julio had done it.

IM Basketball – Katie Albin

- 15 boys and 22 girls for this year (3 coaches total)
 - Coaches are Newsome, Fluchel, and Lecroy

Capital Imprvnts/Facilities Committee

- No Report

Rugby- Tom Burton

- No Report

Baseball/Softball – Mike Rekart

- Interested in feedback on when to open up registration.
- Looking to soft open in December but not publicize it until January with targeted close on Super Bowl Sunday.

IM Baseball/Softball- Rob Witzel

- Rob reported that this will be his last season since he will no longer have a child in the program
 - More than willing to hang out and walk someone through the role

Golf – Jeff Kesselring

- No Report

Old Business

Vote for Pedro

- Booked for our Spring dance on 4/18/19
- We need to make this event HUGE this year as it is our ONLY fundraiser

Advent on Tap/Tailgate

- Planned for 12/8/19 here on campus
- Speaker is Blues announcer Joey Vitale.
- Must sign up via sfastl.org to allow for advance planning

Snowbird tournament

- 12/7 is the date
- At least 4 teams committed
- Kossman to setup volunteers with Christina

December Meeting

- Being held on 12/19
- Food and Fellowship after a Quick Meeting

New Business

Discussion on coaching concerns

- Clear protocol to be set
 - Step 1 – Refer all issues to coach or assistant coach first
 - Step 2 – Move to Lay Director if not resolved
 - Lay director to convene with coach

- Step 3 – Move to VP of Sports
 - VP Sports to convene with coach and Lay Director
 - Inform the board at this point
- Step 4 – Grievance Committee

Open Positions

- SFA Field Manager
 - Being communicated in the bulletin this coming weekend. Ad to be created.
 - Jake Fluchel possibly interested
 - Beckerman to still get free sports through Basketball
 - Board aligned that we need to align the number of grandchildren if we get a grandparent.
- Uniform Coordinator – Spring Sports
 - Jennifer Moorhardt to continue doing Basketball
- Uniform Coordinator – Summer Sports
 - Dan Travers has agreed to Baseball/Softball with stipulation that they will be responsible for Basketball as soon as the current coordinator is done

Food for Christmas Meeting

- Café Telegraph
- Let's promote the hell out of it this year.
 - In person promoting to as many as people as possible
- Need to look into RSVP options to get a better idea of how many people we expect
- Same night as the Kindergarten play – Asking Beth to make an announcement

New Member Recruitment

- Ideas for recruiting
 - Need a table at school open house to get in front of younger parents
 - Leverage auction night as an opportunity for in-person invites and conversation
 - Need to make sure that printed paper flyers are hand delivered to PSR and Preschool
 - In-Person invites are always the most important
 - Speaking at the home and school meeting at the start of the school year
 - Table at the Catholic Schools Week open house – January 26th
 - Provide information for the ambassadors and tour guides about sports
 - Signage around the school
 - Advertise meetings to parents at local day cares and preschools
 - Free sport incentives via raffle for attendees at meetings
 - Look at backing up the start of IM Soccer to after Labor Day to allow for more time to get acclimated and for communication to the parents
 - Increase use of Facebook for more communication and updates to a broader audience
 - Inclusion of information about what is being discussed at the individual meetings to try and drive more interest in individual meeting topics

New Gym Scoreboards

- Proposed a \$5k budget to do LCD and computer-based scoreboard system
- Agreed that this needs to be ran by the association for approval given the amount of the expense
- Protection against balls needs to be understood
- Recommendation of looking into cost of moving the current scoreboard to eliminate the issue of sight lines
- Point made that the LCD screens would possibly be able to pay for themselves with advertising
- There is a chance to possibly be more attractive for playoffs since we would have multiple boards
- Attendance overwhelmingly supportive of the LCD idea
 - More research to be done to get actual costs together

Concession Stand (Kossman)

- Walls need to be fixed per health inspection
- Kevin, parishioner, to take care of the fix
- Pitched roof proposed by the same parishioner but lots of issues with this (\$9800 total budget)

Protecting God's Children

- Archdiocese is changing the process
- New program being rolled out and managed at the archdiocese level
 - 1 hour online training for all volunteers of all kinds

Basketball Officials

- Joe Rothermich to provide Tim Abernathy with a list of email contacts from Soccer officials

Men's Adult Basketball

- 18 players the first week
- Sundays 7-9 – Would love to keep growing and breaking things up into two games

Good and Welfare

Invite friends other parents to attend our meetings. We are as transparent as any organization and welcome feedback.

Motion to Adjourn

- 1st – Jeff Soell
- 2nd – Mike Beckerman