

Lopatcong Township Athletic Association Meeting
February 26, 2019
Meeting Minutes

Call To Order – 8:00 pm
Prayer - Moment Of Silence
Oath Of Allegiance - Flag Salute

Roll Call

Sport	Director	Assistant Director
Soccer		K Tichy
Football	E O’Neil	
Strength/Conditioning	D Schaible	
Softball		C Torres
Baseball	J Napolitano	
Cheerleading	P Segeda	
Basketball		
President	K Lutz	
LAA Liaison	J Palitto	
Secretary	M Herzer for H Hezel	
Treasurer	M Herzer	L Ciesla

Guests: R Paulus, P Thomas, A Horun-Trustee

Approval of December Minutes –

Motion: D Schaible /Second: E O’Neil/Motion approved

Treasurer's Report / Approval To Pay Bills -

Deposits:

Baseball donation from John Napolitano \$450

Baseball Registration fee \$85

Softball deposit \$350.00

Coordinated Health Annual - \$12,000

Approval To Pay Bills -

Basketball - Jim Belske \$90 for playoff referee fees

Motion: J Napolitano /Second: C Torres/Motion approved

Upcoming Fundraisers for Approval-

Softball-

Spirit Wear

Mother's Day Flowers

Panera Night Out

Banners for Fences

Baseball -

Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy

Soccer –

Spirit Wear

Motion: D Schaible/Second: P Segeda/Motion approved

Budgets Submitted for Approval -

For approval at March Meeting-

- Preliminary Baseball Budget
- Softball Preliminary Budget
- Cheer 2018 Financial Summary

Vote on Football final budget for 2018 season

Motion: P Segeda/Second: J Napolitano/Motion approved

President's Report -

Report as submitted in agenda

Old Business

1. Golf Outing P&L
2. 2018 Baseball Clinic P&L
3. Website Revisions by D Schaible
 - a. New pages added under LAA Information Tab
 - i. Meeting Minutes
 - ii. Sports Budgets
 - iii. Bylaws & Policies
 - b. Calendar is being updated as events are added. Meeting dates are posted
 - c. Fields Page now includes information on all outdoor sports fields
 - d. Parents Page content added, most importantly the escalation path for any issues

4. Open Positions
 - a. Soccer Director
 - b. Concession Stand Manager
5. Background Checks-spring sports are due to H Hezel by end of February-if you have not yet turned in.
6. Bylaws - new revision of bylaws was distributed to LAA members for discussion at March meeting.

7. Township contracts 2018 revision and 2019

Motion: D Schaible/Second: J Napolitano/Motion approved

8. Responses to claims made by public at January Meeting-
Members of the LAA attended the February meeting of Township of Lopatcong to answer public statements made by residents of Lopatcong at both the December Township meeting and the January LAA meeting. L Ciesla and H Hezel both made statements clarifying specific claims, including background checks, insurance, and treasurer position/reports. As before, members of the public were encouraged to attend LAA monthly meetings and were reminded of open positions on LAA board.

- a. Insurance - at no time, was the LAA ever without insurance. While the township was making plans to remove the LAA from township insurance, the paperwork had already been submitted and paid for by L Ciesla and H Hezel. There was a day where the LAA waited for certificates of insurance as requested by school and township, but when the new company completed, they were dated from the bind date.
 - b. Background checks - the signed contract for 2018 between the LAA and the township stated the township would be submitting the background checks within their system. However, with the change in personnel at the township offices, the LAA was asked to then take over these submissions. While there was a learning curve to the submissions and how best to handle them, all background checks for winter sports have either been completed or are waiting for NJSP to complete.
9. LAA Policy Updates - Updated and new policies presented to the board for review at December meeting. Some feedback received and implemented. Would like a vote to add this as our official policies.
 - a. Parent Code of Conduct
 - b. Coaches Code of Conduct
 - c. Lightning Policy
 - d. Social Media Policy

Motion: D Schaible/Second: E O'Neil/Motion approved

New Business

Procedures are needed for ordering/repair of Township equipment.

Office Reports

Soccer

Report as submitted in agenda

Football

Report as submitted in agenda

Discussion on final football budget (to be approved @ Feb meeting) and last names on 2019 football jerseys to be paid for by football. Players will use same jersey until outgrown and replaced.

Cheerleading

Report as submitted in agenda

Basketball -

Report as submitted in agenda

Softball-

Report as submitted in agenda

Strength & Conditioning -

Report as submitted in agenda

Baseball -

Report as submitted in agenda

Recreation -

Report as submitted in agenda

Subcommittee Reports

1. Concessions – no report
2. Bylaws – new draft distributed to LAA members for review and discussion at March 2019 meeting

LAA Liaison -

J Palitto reported that the concerns raised at the December Township meeting have been addressed.

Trustee Report

Report as submitted in agenda

Public Comments

R Paulus commented that changes in bylaws and use of website was well done

P Thomas questioned Coordinated Health Contract with LAA and stated having an issue with active gambling permit held by LAA.

Meeting adjourned 9:27 pm

Motion: J Napolitano/Second: K Tichy/Motion approved

Next Meeting Date – March 26, 2019 8 pm