

CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION

Executive Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 10, 2009
Bishop Miege High School

The meeting was called to order by Bob Specht, Chairman, at 7: 15 pm and opened with a prayer: Members present:

Barb Wheeler	Mark Calvert	Jerry Gorman	Martha Schmidt	Jim Casey
Bob Specht	Tim O'Brien	Dave Nick		

Parish Athletic Directors and or coaches representing St. Michael, St. Joseph parishes and parents, of a player, represented Ascension parish appeared before the Board to appeal fines assessed to the parishes for uniform violations during the High School Basketball Program. The Board agreed to abate the fines after the season if no future uniform violation for St. Michael (2), St. Michael (3), St. Joseph (2), St. Joseph (6). Ascension (5) fine was referred back to the Ascension parish athletic director for further discussion. St. Joseph (5) was re-instated into the program and placed on probation before this season began. The St. Joseph (5) uniform fines were reduced to \$400.00 and payment of fine due by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 13, 2009. If fine not paid then team is permanently suspended from CYO.

A motion was made and received a second to approve the minutes of the last meeting as e-mailed. Motion passed 6 in favor – 0 opposed.

Dave Nick reported that the issue of playing all volleyball players during tournament matches was a challenge. Several coaches and parents suggested that there should be a penalty, such as forfeiting the match for not following the playing time rule. The football program went well except for the 8th grade program. The 8th grade division began the season with only four teams. One of the teams did not finish the season. Should the Board be concerned about the lack of 8th grade football teams? The Board was asked if a meeting of all the parish athletic directors of parishes with football programs be scheduled to discuss this problem. Maybe have a signup in early May to see if the seventh and eighth graders need to be combined in 7th-8th grade division. Members felt that this should not be a problem for the 2009 football season.

Dave Nick reported that the Basketball Program increased by four plus percent. The 3rd-4th grade program added fourteen teams. The 5th through 8th grade program added 8 teams. The high school program lost three teams.

Jerry Gorman, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported that the committee did not meet but the committee would meet within the next thirty days.

Martha Schmidt, chairman of the HR Committee, reported that Kathy Thomas of the Archdioceses is getting the committee information concerning Archdiocesan Policy on employees. Kathy Thomas is also providing some research on salaries of directors and positions in other catholic dioceses throughout the United States. Martha requested the e-mail list of parents of CYO Participants for a basketball survey to be developed. Dave Nick reported that he will provide that list.

Jim Casey, chairman of a committee to re-write the by-law for the Policy / Rules Committee, reported that the committee did meet. Jim Casey distributed a copy of the proposed document to the By-laws Committee Chairman, Tim O'Brien, and the Board Members. Tuesday, March 24, 2009 has been scheduled for a By-laws work shop.

Bishop Ward High School requested a donation of \$10,000.00 toward the repair of the gym floor. A motion was made and received a second to donate \$5,000.00 to Bishop Ward High School for repair of their gym floor. Motion passed: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained.

Martha Schmidt, on behalf of Dennis Goodeyon, parish athletic directors' representative, displayed two football trophies presented by the CYO. The 2007 trophy was a traditional upright plastic trophy. The 2008 trophy was a new design, about six inches high and about eight inches wide made of pewter with a brown football on the front. This trophy could be displayed as a stand up trophy or hung as a wall plaque. Martha Schmidt indicated that the 2008 trophy is well below standard for a CYO Trophy compared to other trophies awarded. Dave Nick offered to purchase new trophies and exchange them for the 2008 football trophies. The Board indicated that this was not necessary. Dave Nick assured the Board that only the upright trophies will be purchased in the future.

A motion was made and received a second to adjourn. Motion passed: 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Dave Nick, Director