

**Athletic Committee
Regular Meeting
June 23, 2010**

Presiding: Doug Lynch
Recording: Kit Kovacs
Present: Keith Daehler, Paul Gregory, TR Marshall, Andy Vasiento, Mike MacGregor,
Chris Lee, Hether Driggers
Guests: Jon Glessing, Craig Seiwert.

Meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

I. Opening prayer

II. Attendance

III. Prior Meeting Minutes: Approved.

IV. Financial Report: Andy Vasiento, Treasurer.

Andy presented the April and May Bank Recons and the June Treasurer's Report, focusing upon the Banquet. Fees, and CYO invoices. Jim Polak has not yet submitted an invoice for the Banquet costs. Aside from that, the Banquet costs known to date: \$745 Banquet receipts
\$765 expenses; \$278 cost of trophies; \$450 est. invoice from J. Polak for catering

V. Spiritwear: Jon Glessing, guest

As the Marketing Director of Lids (Sportswear), Jon presented his ideas for implementing a program of Spiritwear, to be administered by the Athletic Committee. There were many choices of types of apparel as well as suggestions and ideas for determining a standardized logo that would represent St. Monica CYO Athletics. Jon stated that the School Commission has already selected the logo that will represent St. Monica School. Also, Michelle Boyd has agreed to allow a monthly "Spirit Day" where students can wear Spiritwear (non-uniforms) in School. Once the CYO Schedules are known, athletes of in-season sports will be allowed to wear their jerseys in School on "Game Day Fridays".

VI. Coordinator Reports:

A.) Boys Coordinator: TR Marshall, Boys Coordinator.

Cadet Football has been cancelled due to insufficient registrations. TR spoke to Ed Tinder regarding "boundary" Parishes; now, these kids will be able to select from Christ the King, St. Michael, St. Malachy, OLMC, etc. St Luke has not yet held signups. TR has emailed all the parents with the information; it will be up to each family to contact their desired Parish program and pay the required fees. A few refunds are due for players who have already dropped out.

Remaining registrations:

5/6 Football = 19 (6th grade = 10; 5th grade = 9)

4th Football = 13 (+ one)

3rd Football = 15

Paul Gregory and Todd Finnell will coach 5/6. Vander Kooy and Adolay will coach 3/4; if there are 2 teams, we'll need another coach for the 3rd grade team. Care will need to be taken if we form 2 teams for 3/4, due to a risk of "no shows" on game days. Kit asked if we're planning to use the practice field next door (TR will contact Elder Field).

Cross Country registrations (roster has been sent to Doug Ricker):
8th grade = 7; 7th grade = 4; 6th grade = 10+1; 5th grade = 8

We need to be aware of - and track – any non-student/non-Parishioner kids; they can play ONLY if they played last year, per the new CYO rules.

B.) Girls Coordinator: Chris Lee, Girls Coordinator.

Cadet Kickball registrations are insufficient (only 6 signups) and will be cancelled. Some checks were collected and should be returned to the parents. Doug would like to continue Kickball registrations for a bit (till 7/9), to see if we could get any additional interest. There are 12 signed up for 4th grade, and 14 for 5/6. Theresa Smith will coach 4th grade, and, during registration, 2 others expressed interest in coaching. For Cheerleading, 22 girls registered. Volleyball rosters were sent to Melissa Mudd, who has an interest in coordinating the Volleyball program.

Girls Basketball registrations should occur very quickly after the beginning of School, as the number of teams must be registered with CYO by Sept. 2nd. A question was posed about combining the signup dates for Girls and Boys Basketball. This will be implemented, with the dates decided as August 24th and 25th, 6-8:00pm. This should be posted on the website, in the bulletin, and also at the Ice Cream Social (8/13) (Back to School Night is 8/26). Lists should be developed of all who express interest in coaching. Regarding Girls Basketball evaluations, Doug can't commit to specifying one night or multiple nights until we see the registration numbers. 4th Grade would still be 1 night; Cadet should not be an issue; it's 5/6 that requires careful evaluation.

C.) Equipment: Paul Gregory, Equipment Coordinator.

For Football, Paul reported that all helmets are in, with ID numbers assigned to each (for tracking of inventory). Two were defective and will be replaced. The Youth pants are also in, though the Adult sizes are still on order. We have 80 mouthpieces. Jerseys were ordered 2 weeks ago and should be in around the end of July. Shoulder pads are to be ordered this Friday. All footballs are in (6 per team; 3 leather/3 composite).

For the "Little Eagles" Camp, Paul has 7 participants to date (fee = \$40 each). Paul is in the process of cleaning out the Equipment Room and will then begin taking inventory (he has developed new inventory control forms). The old jerseys and old pants will be sold for \$5 each.

We need to set dates for the Football Equipment fitting (separate nights for 3/4 and 5/6), but we'll wait till after all of the jerseys are delivered before determining dates. Aug 16th is the date allowed for the 1st contact practice. Paul will hold a conditioning camp for 5/6 and will distribute those helmets at that time. For helmet decals, Paul will use the same design as last year.

Doug advised Paul to start thinking of replacing Girls Basketball uniforms. Regarding Basketball in general, Mike asked about the feasibility of ordering Basketball jerseys that are reversible, to use in practice. If they are "non-identifiable", they could be used by any of our teams interested in playing in leagues such as the IBA, where the "St. Monica" identification is not allowed (the IBA is not under CYO control, and such identification is not allowed by the Parish). TR was hesitant about having additional items to track and collect and suggested that perhaps inexpensive practice jerseys could simply be given to the players. Keith asked Paul to price "throwaways".

TR asked if there were enough kickballs; Doug had purchased new ones this year, but those used in Fall Kickball still need to be collected.

D.) Banquet: Hether Driggers, Banquet Coordinator.

We have received positive feedback regarding this year's Banquet. It progressed quickly and relatively inexpensively. We do still need to obtain the invoice from Jim Polak for his catering. Jim's contribution during the evening was *greatly* appreciated!

The 2010 Eagle Award winners are Alexis Finnell and Matt Lang.

Hether expressed dissatisfaction regarding the selection process of the Eagle Award winners. While this selection is under the sole administration of the Athletic Director, Hether suggested posting written criteria that includes community involvement and leadership "on court" as well as in the classroom. TR noted that some of the same kids win multiple awards.

E.) Publicity: Kit Kovacs

Kit requested that members check the CYO section of the SMS website as well as the one on the Parish website (which is inaccurate).

F.) Concessions: Mike MacGregor, Concessions Coordinator.

Mike has no report this month but still wants to pursue making our own purchases of inventory, independent of any contract (currently, no contract exists; we have just opted to continue utilizing the Coke ordering/delivery system)

G.) Fundraising: (Open). No report.

VII. **Old Business:**

A.) Banquet Wrap-up: (see prior)

B.) 8th Graders vs Coaches Games – Wrap up: In the future, TR suggested having just Boys Basketball and Girls Volleyball, skipping Girls Basketball due to the very low numbers/availability of the girls.

C.) "Parent Responsibilities" List: (not discussed)

D.) Late Registrations for Fall sports: We will accept late registrations, if possible, for students new to St. Monica.

VIII. **New Business:**

A.) Scheduling of Gym:

Keith has prepared a schedule of CYO gym use through February, though it may need to be adjusted over time. TR asked if Keith included dates around Thanksgiving for a Boys 5/6A Basketball Tournament (would need Fri 9-9/Sat 9-5/Sun 1-5). Keith has scheduled gym use for Cheerleading. In August, every M/T/W will be "open gym", with 1 night for each Boys and Girls Basketball and 1 night for Volleyball. We will (need to) have a coach present during all open gym times. The first date is 8/4, 6-9pm. Keith will notify the appropriate Basketball and Volleyball contacts.

For the CYO game schedule, we are hoping to schedule Home Games every Saturday. Oct. 10th is the 1st Girls Basketball weekend (10/10, 16, 23, 30, and possibly 11/6). Dec. 4th is the 1st weekend for Boys Basketball (12/4, 11, 18, Jan 8th, 15, 22). Jan 24th is the 1st Tournament date). Do we want to schedule mid-week? Wed games work well for Girls Basketball; the only drawback is that mid-week games reduce practice time. TR noted that CYO wants us to submit an increased number of dates for hosting games. Keith noted that Jessica will post all practice schedules on the website.

B.) Coaches Meetings and Parent Meetings: Doug will coordinate, setting dates after the teams are established.

- C.) **Football Equipment Inventory:** (see prior)
- D.) **Football Equipment Fitting (Dates):** (see prior)

E.) Fall School Events:

- i.) Ice Cream Social – August 13th (4-7pm)
- ii.) Back-to-School Night – August 26 (6-8pm)

F.) Homecoming:

Kit noted that the best date would be Sept 19th (due to Marian's Football schedule, Soccer schedule, and the Colts' game schedule). If we skip grilling, we may be able to get closer to the Football Complex.

G.) Bylaws:

Need to be updated every 3 years; consider incorporating Standing Orders.

H.) St. Monica 3v3 Basketball Tournament: Craig Seiwert, guest

Per Fr. Todd's request, St. Monica will host a neighborhood 3v3 Coed Basketball Tournament, which Craig is chairing. The date will be July 24th, 7:00am – 9:00pm (registration 7-8:00am; games begin at 8:00am). The goal is 64 teams, with 8 teams per division, and a 2-game guarantee. Registration will be held through the Parish Office, for kids in 5th–8th grades; cost is \$10/player, \$30/team (4 max/team). The deadline for registering is 7/12, to allow time to order trophies and shirts. Fees will need to cover the costs of trophies, shirts, officials, supplies, etc. There will be 4 inside courts (none outside) (no bleacher seating will be available), outlined with special painter's tape on the floor. Craig described the logistics and solicited ideas and opinions. Concessions are desired.

- VIII. **The Next Meeting:** July 21st, 7:00pm.
- IX. **Closing Prayer**
- X. **Adjourn.** 10:00 p.m. (or so)