

WRC Meeting – January 26, 2009, South Carroll

In Attendance: Ed Beane – President, Gary Davis – Vice President, Jenn Schneider – Secretary, Karen Wootton – Treasurer, Abby Gruber – Department of Rec, Dave Taylor – County Coordinator, Buddy Brown – Field Coordinator, Butch Kirk and Ed Garber – Baseball, Jean Shea – Basketball, Fred Wells - Lacrosse, Patty Schneider and Dan Knott – Soccer, Dave Becker - Softball, Lisa Willingham – Wrestling, and Jim Horn – SC AD

Meeting was called to order by President, Ed Beane

Discussion of handouts which are on file for review.

Approval of Minutes: Jenn Schneider – November 2008 minutes were reviewed and approved by board.

President's Report: Reviewed information about Krimgold Park hearing: The county approved 3 multipurpose fields and no baseball/softball fields due to traffic issues. Abby stated that the county would have to put millions of dollars into roads to accommodate these traffic issues. Bud suggested that when the project is complete the county do another traffic assessment to see if the issue still exists. Letter is on file for review. January Elections: Vice President – Gary Davis, Treasurer – Karen Wootton, Facilities Manager – Bud Brown. All were nominated and elected.

South Carroll's Area Director's Report: Jim Horn – there will be temporary parking in the rear of SCHS. The rear doors will be open to enter. Please encourage people to do enter from the rear entrance for use. If sports are going on, use the extra hall way for access to the lobby. SC baseball fields are in bad shape. He asked if we have bad weather and are unable to use the fields, can they use the 90 ft field at Mayeski. Baseball said that they do not see a problem with this. They can use it up until 6 PM when baseball will need it. Jim said they would be off the fields by then. A question was asked of Jim if there would be any weekend needs and he said no. Jim informed the council that the track area should be back by February 28th. They need to stay off of the field for 1 year though. The parking lot will be gone until 2010. Gary stated that he was informed that Jim was the one checking the box on UOF's which caused organizations to be charged for use of SC facilities. Jim denied this and Abby suggested that Jim get in touch with Mr. Prokop and find out how he should be filling the forms out. Butch Kirk, president of Baseball asked Jim if there were any resources to help purchase infield mix to help improve the fields so they can be used no matter what the weather may be. Jim said he does not have any funds to help at this time.

Basketball: Jean Shea – Check is on its way to Karen. Basketball is going well; this is a great season so far!

Treasurer's Report: Karen Wootton – \$12,167.89 in checking \$7,324.82 in savings. Monies are due from Football and Soccer for the per player registration fee. Karen was told to hold off on paying the invoices for UOF until further notice. Karen needs updated information on Treasurers for organizations – Jenn will e-mail info to her.

Department of Recreation: Abby Gruber – The county website has been updated and made more user friendly. The farmland that borders Mayeski to be used for additional field space a loose estimate of cost would be \$200,000.00 and we would also need permission from the BOE and a release from the farmer who leases the property. Per county request, Karen needs to complete and send 1099's, by February 17, for anyone the WRC has paid over \$600 this year. *food for thought: WRC should have paid instructors run through the county not WRC. Karen and Ed have no objections with this being run through the county not WRC. Want to close the soccer field at Linton (lower) for improvements the issue being Century HS practices Lacrosse there. We need to post signs stating that the field is closed and contact the schools and let them know. Abby is willing to help negotiate this and she thinks that she can get Century use at Freedom Park. Lastly, Abby is supporting the Global Gear Drive which sends used sports equipment and attire over seas to underprivileged children so that they can be introduced to American sports. You can bring donations to Abby or you can contact Cindy Doub at cdaub@nays.org and the phone number is 1-800-688-kids.

County Coordinator: Dave Taylor – Asked for motion to increase scholarships per school, South Carroll and Century, in the amount of \$1,000.00. Gary motioned to increase scholarships to \$1,000 and it was approved. Volunteer hour reports – the number of hours is increasing and the number of volunteers is decreasing. Abby stated that this affects future trends. Jenn motioned to leave it the same and it was approved.

Baseball: Butch Kirk – new president of Winfield Baseball – registration is going well! They will be holding a basket bingo on March 7th @ Century High, doors will open at 6 PM and games start at 7 PM.

Football/Cheer: Bud Brown – nominations have taken place and final elections will be in February. They have decided to move their registration dates to March 21st and 28th and April 4th. This is due to Sykesville opening up their program to all zip codes.

Lacrosse: Fred Wells – they are having field issues, they need decisions from baseball, softball, and Dan. They have 303 kids registered. Treasury balance is \$26,000.00 and their season begins on March 1st.

Soccer: Patty: There will be a club soccer meeting Thursday and a Rec soccer meeting next Wednesday. She wants to talk about next season in advance so they can be prepared. They will hold registrations in May and the cost will remain the same.

Square Dance: Not present

Softball: Dave Becker – they have 52 registrations so far and they are expecting 150 for in-house. They will close their on-line registration on February 1st. Self help project - the kiddie field/instructional is getting a new backstop. Practices will start at the end of March and games will begin in April. Football needs to remove banners from the fields at Mayeski.

Wrestling: Season is going well 3 Rec teams are almost finished and their 2 travel teams are ½ way through. 350 entering the Century tournament.

Old Business: The flag pole will cost \$4,400.00 to light.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

Next meeting: 7 PM Monday, February 23rd in the South Carroll Media Center