

# Steel Valley Youth Baseball Association Board Meeting Minutes

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**Date: Sunday, September 20th**

**Location: Munhall Borough Building**

**Meeting Commenced: 7:00 p.m.**

**Minutes Typed by: Secretary, Danielle Daley**

**Board Member Attendees:**

Position	Name	Yes	No
President	Chris Phares	X	
Vice President	Nelson Horvwalt	X	
Treasurer	Frank Chiarizio	X	
Secretary	Danielle Daley	X	
Player Agent			
	Roy Cochrane	X	
	Lynn Cochrane		X
	Mike Dugan	X	
	Patrick Sikorski		X
	John Long		X
	Carol Shrieve	X	

**General Member Attendees (PER ATTENDANCE SHEET):**

Laura Fassinger, Tod Brown, Rick Brennan, Mike Pavlick, Cara and Jason P.

**Meeting Minutes From Previous Meeting**

Date of previous meeting: August 6th

Approved: Yes

Adjustments from prior meeting minutes: None

**Financial Statement**

Type	Starting	Deposits	Withdrawals	Ending
Checking	\$1,924.52	\$3,151.00	\$3,164.00	??
Savings	\$1,599.25			??
Concession Stand				

**Financial information:**

- Frank identified the deposits and withdrawals made for the month. Indicated the checks were written for field dry, Costco, Natale's, baseball, telephone bill, trophies/ribbons and tractor repair. Frank stated that he had to withdrawal \$2,500.00 from savings to pay some bills.
- Frank said there are still a few issues on the taxes and that he would work with the accountant to correct and make sure they are filed.
- Frank also indicated he would contact agent for the leagues medical insurance and submit the claims for Greg Boss, Marrone and Laura Fassinger.

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## General Information

- Mike Pavlick, chairman of the Parks & Recreation board, spoke on what P&R objectives are and what they actually handle. Mike indicated that they are not an independent decision making counsel. Their objective is to set policies and procedures, regarding permits, and report to Munhall Council with their findings. The P&R has the ability to grant or deny permits. The Bylaws were just approved by counsel, but no policies and procedures have been instituted. P&R board serve as an advisory capacity and act as a mediator with various Munhall sports organizations. Frank asked a question regarding their jurisdiction and Mike stated the P&R only govern over Munhall. The P&R are not supervisors over baseball. Eventually there will be set policies and procedures for getting permits and a task to develop fee structures. Mike also spoke about the new baseball facility. It was discussed that the volunteers and board of SVYBA will still handle the upkeep of Trautman. It was discussed that significant improvements need to be made at Munhall and some of the responsibilities should fall on the borough. Mike said if we have a proposal regarding the field, submit to him and it will be brought up at the next P&R meeting. Mike Dugan asked Mike Pavlick if anybody on the street can just go into the borough and request a permit for Trautman. Mike Pavlick said that local sport teams would get preferential treatment. The P&R board meets every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month.
- It was discussed that a disclaimer needs to be added to the medical form.
- A board member, John Long, was brought up and that he has missed 3 consecutive meetings. Chris Phares talked to John and received a text from him that he has resigned from the board. The board accepted the text from John quitting the board.
- Mike Dugan said there were around 53 to 60 for fall ball. Shirts and hats were ordered and would be arriving in a week or less.
- Jennifer Brady was discussed and that we would wait until the following Monday to see if her children were still going to play.
- The board accepted the applications from Carol Shrieve and Laura Fassinger.
- Since Frank resigned as treasurer from the board and the spot was available, the board unanimously agreed that we would overrule the bylaws and appoint Laura Fassinger as the new Treasurer. Laura Fassinger submitted her resume and had significant financial background.
- It was discussed that we still did not have financial information from Denny for the concession stand. Danielle indicated that she emailed Denny on several occasions and the last e-mail said his partner was out of town and would get back to us with the information. Mentioned that whoever we go with next year for the concession stand, there needs to be a signed contract in place. The board is interested to see what numbers were generated from the concession stand during the All Star tournaments.
- I mentioned that we should contact Coleen Devine to see if she still has interest in running the concession stand. Roy Cochrane indicated he would call her because he knows her on a personal level. In addition, Lynn Cochrane was going to reach out to \_\_\_\_\_ from Dell's to see if she was interested in submitting a proposal to run the concession stand as well.
- For next season, the software program that makes the schedules will need to be manually inputted to get more games played on the fields and not have them empty during the week.

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- Cara spoke and said that every child that is able to, should get a chance to pitch, within safety reasons.
- Lynn said that the coaches need a clinic and the managers need to go with the rules. Can't worry about pitching counts because all eligible players should be allowed to pitch. The manager needs to follow the rules. The rules need to be posted on the website and a packet needs to be given to each manager.
- The league needs to get back in the umpire association. Chris said he would contact.
- Frank suggested that we link with another organization to ensure there is enough kids to play the game. Cara said she didn't think that would work because parents want to play in a community league, want all games to be at Trautman. Roy said numbers are down with other leagues as well.
- Fall ball problem – If we would have had earlier registration, the numbers would have been better. Also, there are other sports that kids play during the fall.
- Draft needs to be moved up.
- Cara indicated that she nor her husband were ever asked to be a coach. Danielle told her that she put all of that information on the manager's sheet, but had no control of who the manager would ask to be a coach on the team. Mike Dugan showed here the sheet.
- It was discussed that the league is here for the kids. Some people don't like others, but as adults, we need to grow up and put in an effort and get along.
- Lynn asked Nelson why he was a member of SVYBA and his son plays on the Squirrel Hill league for fall ball? Lynn thought that was a conflict.
- Boomer asked if we wanted to gym again for winter conditioning. The board said yes. Monday would be Boomer, Tuesday would be Mike Dugan for the 11 & 12's. The other age groups need to be decided and have a coach.
- The board thanked Frank for being the treasurer for the past couple of years. Frank is moving out of Munhall.

**Meeting Adjourned: 9:10 p.m.**

**Next Meeting: Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.**

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