

Helderberg Valley Pop Warner
Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2011

Meeting called to order @ 6:42
Adjourned at 8:45
Next meeting February 8, 2011 @ 6:30

Attendees: John Holmes, Lisa Isabella, Lauren Craig, Amie Burnside, Deb Grier, Carolyn Leffingwell, Fred Schanz. **Not present:** Ken Meyer & Jim Monroe.

Meeting Minutes: Roll call completed by John Holmes. Reviewed December's meeting minutes (copies provided to all who attended). Minutes approved by all board members present.

Treasurers report: status is the same as December , Balance in the check book \$1060.67 there have been no debits/credits since last month. A check in the amount of \$250.00 from Carver was received for the baked sale good at October's homecoming as well as a check from Randy Passono in the amount of approximately \$30.00 for the same.

Fundraising:

Will need to do early fundraising this year as helmets need to be reconditioned and will be approx \$20-\$21 each and we have approx 100 helmets in inventory.

Carolyn will contact DVAC to see about a Valentines breakfast for Feb 13, 2011. She will let us know if that is available. We will need to get donations of Orange Juice, Eggs and Sausage. She will check with Boltons market for sausage and Subway for eggs, Hannaford/PC for orange juice. Deb will look into placemats to use as "thank you" to our sponsors. John also received info on a fund raiser with the Albany Devils Hockey team. He will get more info on that and report back to the board. The date would be March 5, 2011.

Presidents report: James Monroe accepted his board position, Randy Passono declined as his seat was contingent on he and Audra Passono being elected together and there were only 2 vacant seats. Motion made to leave that seat vacant to abide by the by laws. All were in favor.

Committees were discussed Lisa to send out an e-mail to see what the interest is with past families. This e-mail will have a respond by date of January 28, 2011. It will be stressed this year at sign up that with out parent participation the program can not operate to its best.

Recruiting: Need to start early this year. Will be able to do the BKW science fair again this year but will not be able to distribute flyers in the school due to new school policies. Lauren to check with Schoharie to be sure all went well with the 2 practice nights there in the month of August. If all is well we will then review and decide if we want to continue again. We will need to have early sign ups and place sign up signs early as well, and also will need to advertise in the local papers. Duanesburg days is March 5, 2011 also discussed doing that again. There is also a Timothy Murphy run in Middleburg in March may be worth having representation at - John to get the specifics on that as well.

Kate Meyer reserved Schafer Park for us for the 2011 season.

Inventory of all items on hand needs to be complete for April 1, deadline. Also need to do inventory for items on hand for apparel/spirit sales. Lauren will purchase some bins so we can organize the apparel/spirit wear. Uniforms need to be washed/counted/organized we need exact numbers for the inventory counts.

A photo/press pass was requested by Randy Passono for the 2011 season. John will check with CDPW to see if there is such pass and if so what it entails.

Vice Presidents report: Deb and Lisa to get together so the roll of Cheer coordinator can be transferred to Deb. All of last year player/participant books need to be gathered as we have to have them on file for 10 years. Spoke again about early fundraising. Not only helmet reconditioning we need to pay registration fees for all the football/cheer teams (last years registration was \$2,400) assuming we have the same number of teams although hoping for more participation. Food permit will need to be renewed in March for the 2011 season; we are waiting for the renewal in the mail.

New business: was discussed for the 2011 season that all parents should sign a spectator contract similar to the one the pee wee parents used last year. All parents are required to sign. Lisa will get dates together for sign ups starting in April. We will need to advertise them once approved. All discussed fees for the 2011 season: Flag/Cub to drop from \$80 to \$60, leaving the tackle and competitive cheer the same as the fees were reduced last year but increasing the family discount to 20% instead of the 10% that was offered last year. The volunteer deposit will be the same \$25 but to only include concession duties as each family would be required to volunteer 3 x through out the season. The duties of Spotter, Stats, and chains can not be included in this volunteer deposit as they are needed or game has to be forfeited and can not pay a younger person to do these duties. Fred will check with the schools to see if the honor society wants to do their community service by helping us with those duties. We discussed incentives to get parent involvement to increase in this area.

Lauren checking into the costs associated with the name change. We will need to decide if we are going to make a clean break from Duanesburg Pop Warner or go the less expensive route of Duanesburg Pop Warner DBA Helderberg Valley Pop

Warner. Discussed putting the white cheer uniforms on EBAY to raise the money needed to purchase new uniforms for one team of cheer for the 2011 season. (the old ones have a “D” on them which we cant use with HVPW).