

Merrimack Cardinals Football and Cheer
Meeting Minutes 6.27.21
6:00PM

Call to order. 6:05

Kristen motions to approve meeting minutes. Martha seconds. All in favor.

President - Gerry Marshall

- Londonderry reached out to Gerry about teaming up on the Tri Cup Cheer comp. They would split all proceeds with us 50/50 other than concessions. They would also waive our fees to the comp. It will be a huge money maker for the program. Its scheduled for 11/7, set up on the 6th. They would need 20-30 volunteers, and have our board on hand for the comp. **Laurie motioned to partner with them, Marta, all in favor.**
- JHL meeting updates
 1. \$1426 for the season due for our teams. Insurance is \$526 and its \$300 per team.
 2. If you get 17 questions right on the coaches quiz, it's a 2 hour class. If not, its about 6 hours.
 3. They have 9 Youth teams, 12 Junior teams, and 16 Senior teams.
 4. The next meeting is August 3rd.
 5. Contact practice starts on August 16th.
 6. Ref fees for the year are Youth- 3 refs @ 65 each game
 7. Juniors- 4 refs @ 75 each game
 8. Seniors- 5 refs @ 75 each game
- Status of background checks-Gerry Shared the list, we still have board members and plenty of coaches that need to take care of their background checks.
- Venmo account- Fees are 1.9% with a \$0.10 fee per transaction. We may want to move away from Square?
- Field use for the season- The MYA is awaiting approval from the town for us to use Gibson field off Turkey Hill for the older tackle teams this year.
- Update on team numbers- 93 tackle football players
 1. 8th Graders-14
 2. 7th graders-24
 3. 5th & 6th-18
 4. Youth- 20
 5. 8U-17
- Additional equipment needed this year- We have a lot more younger players, so we will need more helmets. BA to touch on that.
- 2021 sponsors- We need to get going on pulling in sponsors. Kristen to start reaching out.
- Concessions ideas? TBD later.
- We need to lock down dates for equipment pickup. BA to give dates.
- Gerry asked the MYA again if we could get into the gyms since things are getting back to normal. John told him to fill out a request form. Gerry to go to the high school this week and get the form and fill it out.

Vice President – Tyler Meehan

Tyler is going to do the MYA parade float for us and bring a few of his kid's friends in the program. We will get them game jerseys to wear in the parade.

Treasurer – Tiffany Klosek

Thoughts on staying with Square or going with someone else?

New budget needs to be submitted soon. Date is TBD

Tiffany to send our current budget to the board to review.

The invoice process worked well so far. A few issues with duplicate registrations made extra invoices.

Program Coordinator - Lynsay Hooven

- I met with Chandra to go over registration. Chandra will be handling the tackle teams registration, I will do cheer and flag. I need to know rough ideas on rosters (which kids will be on which teams), so I can break it out in the registration system.
- Did we get someone to take on merchandise? And can we get someone to take on concessions?
 - If we all agree, I can send out an email blast to ask parents for help on these items and not have it be a board member. **Yes, Everyone agreed.**
- Did we setup fundraising activities? (i.e. car wash) If so, I need to send out an email to get volunteers. Martha – can you setup a signup genius so people can sign up for time slots?
Kristen to lock down dates.

Spirit Coordinator – Lauri Parr

Cheer numbers

11-tinys

10-D10s

16-D14s

Bedford won't have a D14 cheer, Gerry to hit JP and see if their girls need a home. JP got back to Gerry and was going to let his Cheer Coordinator know.

Lauri wants to order uniforms. Gerry said we can use the card to buy items instead of being reimbursed.

Purchased uniforms, we will need to take the money from the parents, and place one order. We will invoice them thru Square.

Football Coordinator – Greg Miller

- Vote Flag Coach in, Blake Kerrigan. Gerry motions to vote him in, BA seconds. All in Favor.
- We have 3 assistant flag coaches lined up.
- Vote Junior head coach in- Jon Matte. Gerry motions to vote him in, BA seconds. All in Favor.
- Coaching Shortages. Need assistants at Juniors, head coach for 8U. Someone with experience reached out to Gerry Saturday, he is trying to meet with him and Greg this week.
- Current teams' layout and ideas-Gerrys numbers above.
- Summer Conditioning- Going well, the older kids start this week.

Equipment Coordinator - BA Taylor

Equipment Pick up Sunday July 18th. 9-12

Last Date July 31st 9-11

Good on shoulder pads, short on helmets. \$125 each. 5-6 week lead time on helmets. Short on smalls. He will send out a quote to approve to purchase more helmets.

Fundraising Coordinator – Kristen Bachand

Call into Gulf and the dump for dates. We are thinking popcorn only early October.

Volunteer Coordinator - Martha Gagnon

- Volunteer tracking It was a free for all. 2-3 slots per child ballpark. The team mom will be doing all communications. Marta wants their info soon.
- Scholarships, can we get them to do more? Tiffany said she asked them to help out as much as possible when invoicing.

Assistant Program Coordinator – Chandra Miller

Will we be doing pictures. We will need to set it up with Clix. Martha will handle this.

BA said Expressions did LAX and did a good job.

Member at Large – Jen McCormack

Looking for some tasks-

Gerry mentioned we can have Jen be on the sub committee needed for the Cheer comp since Jen has ran comps in the past.

July 15th next meeting at 6:30pm

Gerry Motions to adjourn

Second by Chandra. Meeting adjourned at 7:39