



**Board Meeting Minutes – Approved 5/20/2024  
Monday, April 15, 2024 – 7:00-8:30 p.m.  
Apple Valley Community Center**

**Board Member Attendees:**

Jason Petti (president), Peter Beaumont (vice-president), Kevin Brandt (treasurer), Mary Coleman (secretary), Mark Espena (tech services), Jeremy Resler (safety), Niels Schapochnicof (program liaison)

**Program Attendees with Voting Rights:**

Peter Beaumont (soccer), Doug Beddies (football), Kelli Geilow (softball), Jude Miron (basketball)

**Program Attendees without Voting Rights:**

Gerri Laska (volleyball), Paul Zackery (lacrosse)

**Other Attendees:**

Jessica Johnson (lacrosse board), Mike Johnson (lacrosse board)

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. A quorum was present

**Approval of minutes**

**MOTION: To approve the minutes from the March 2024 EVAA Board meeting.**

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**Action Items**

An in-depth review of the March action items was discussed at length and clarifications were given. New action items are distributed every month and board members should review the list and complete their assigned items by the assigned due date.

**New business – Complaint Process**

It was discovered that there is not a comprehensive complaint process. While the EVAA board should have oversight, the process may be tailored to fit each individual program. A new policy will be created and may be modified to fit each sport's needs.

**Social Media Process**

There has been concern about a lack of social media consistency across the various sports. While EVAA has its own dedicated social media presence, most sports have their own to they may engage with their specific sport's audience. There have been instances of inappropriate content being shared and a solution is to have the technical services director be an additional admin on every account. To ensure EVAA's reputation is protected, a new policy will be created that will act as a code of conduct for the social media holders to abide by in the future.

**Committee Appointments**

As there are numerous projects for the EVAA board, recruiting efforts are underway for the Operations Committee. This committee was created to take on some of the larger projects and provide recommendations to the board. This committee will meet monthly with a very structured format.



## **Program Updates**

### ***Soccer***

The spring season for soccer was record-breaking with 650 kids registering. Due to the increase in numbers, things have been delayed; however, the start of the season is still on track.

### ***Softball***

Most things are running well, except for the new field reservation system as games are being locked and cannot be changed. They are working to get it changed as it affects the entire league. The spring season will start in 2 weeks.

### ***Volleyball***

There will be a new program director soon as the current one is rotating off. The in-house season has started and the JO season is over at the end of April. There are still kids that would like to participate but cannot due to lack of space.

### ***Basketball***

There are a few new members on their board, and the season is over with only one incident.

### ***Football***

The new league is up and running. The budget still needs to be finalized and fees will need to increase \$10-25. There are lots of adjustments in the new league and determining if it will be 7, 9, or 11 man tackle is still being decided and may change depending on the field dimensions. A lot of positive feedback was received from the coaches scoring from the previous league as the score was settled while still on the field. Registration will open in May and there will be one-week camp opportunity.

### ***Lacrosse***

The program will break even for the year and registration will be open for 2 more weeks. There is a car wash fundraiser with Tidal Wave which offered a \$30 car wash for \$10. There was a request from Apple Valley to take 8-9 players from their 14U program as they didn't have enough players to have their own team. There were concerns as VAA charges a different amount than EVAA, and there was a question as to who would cover the insurance.

## **Fields/Facilities Update**

The board will seek feedback from the programs on how best to use the fields at Hayes; the City will meet with other stakeholders about the fields. There is an opportunity for EVAA to have storage at the Johnny Cake Activity Center. It would be a 1500 square foot storage space that would need to be outfitted with separating cages inside for the different sports. The City would charge EVAA rent at all future meetings would be held there. There is also an opportunity for EVAA to build a dome where Field C is now. The City would donate the land, and EVAA would need to fundraise for the new structure.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was unanimously approved at 8:34 p.m.