

# Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

## Thursday, September 22, 2022 @ 9:00 AM Doubletree

### I. Call to order- R. Stolski

### II. Attendance:

**Present:** Claud Allaire, Marc Bachman, Nick David, Jim Dotseth, Jeff Ferguson, Beau LaBore, Paul Lemke, Mat Mahoney, Dave Nelson, Brent Schimek, Ron Stolski, Scott Tschimperle, Jeff Williams

**Absent:** Ben Anderson, Clay Anderson, Dave Fritze, Dave Nigon, Ribs Petermeier, Deryl Ramey, Will Wackman

### III. Guest: Ty Thomas, [www.my7on7.com](http://www.my7on7.com) (An MFCA sponsor)

- **MY7ON7 FOOTBALL ACADEMY: JAN - MAY**

My7on7 offers both a High School and Youth football academy. The academy is an off-season football training program designed to improve athlete's performance. Training is focused on position specific skill sets and enhancing football IQ by recreating real game situations.

### IV. Approve 1/15/22 minutes

- **Motion** to approve by Mat Mahoney and 2nd by Dave Nelson. Motion passes

### V. Additions/deletions to agenda

- Youth Services: never got off the ground
- Marc Bachman is interested in taking the lead for youth services

### VI. Reports

#### A. Financial Report (Dotseth)

- Projection is for an end of the year balance similar to previous years.
- **Motion** by Jeff Williams to approve the report, 2nd by Marc Bachman.
- **Discussion:** Projections are not necessarily going to follow through (Ron)
- Motion passed

#### B. President's Project (Mahoney)

- For my President's project I am working on doing a weeklong Salute to Football that highlights Minnesota Football (similar to hockey day).
- I picked the week of September 5<sup>th</sup> because the Gophers and Vikings are in town that weekend. I wanted to make this week about Minnesota football.

#### C. Ex. Director Report (Stolski)

- Reminder to stay fresh and current. Invest in younger coaches. Eliminate those who are not active. Keep website updated. Send info to Rob for a blast.
- Summer leaders meeting to review by-laws and officers job description. Stolski, Nelson, Dotseth, Mahoney, Schimek, & Williams
- Initial clinic meeting included new ideas for the 2023 clinic. Examples: Mom's panel, Old-timers panel "the way we were, the way it was". Solicit suggestions regarding speakers and topics.
- Sponsors are the lifeblood of the organization. Waiting on Pro3Solutions, SDS and Adrenaline.
- Meeting with Flipsled and Let's Play Football. Will update the brochure.
- Advisory meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup>. Several openings for 23-24
- Encourage coaches and colleagues
- Class 6A play 1<sup>st</sup> round 'at high seed
- Wisconsin has membership that isn't attached to the mother organization.
- Marc Bachman will contact Dan Fritze regarding helping with and to revive the youth services committee. In addition, Bachman will review the MFCA youth football position statement and post on the website.
- The President's project is a good start!! Matt is encouraged to continue with the project in 2023.
- It's difficult to see a sponsorship with Flipsled in the future. They do have a booth at the clinic.
- The meeting with the publication "Let's Play Football" resulted in a dialogue that could have merit for both the MFCA and the publication. Negotiations are ongoing.
- Tackle Cancer a story and history worth telling. Mahoney will contact John Millea, MSHSL.
- The Randolph story is worth telling. Stolski will contact Chip Scoggins, *StarTribune*.
- Committee chairs are encouraged to seek new members.

#### **D. Membership (Bachman)**

- Currently 911 members
- Marc will send out a reminder
- Marc will check out a membership for youth

#### **E. Mr. Football (C. Anderson)**

- The Mr. Football banquet is Saturday, December 18th at 9:30am at the DBLTree to coincide with the home Vikings game in which they Honor the Vikings All-State team and recognize the Mr. Football winner (unless the TV people make the Vikings play on Saturday, then we will not announce the Mr. Football winner at that game). Scott Hanson (Head coach, Lakeview HS) will join the committee.

#### **F. Scholarships (B. Anderson)**

- Would like to add another committee member from the Metro area.
- Team scholarship to the clinic or membership

#### **G. All-Star Game (Dave Fritze)**

- Coaches: **South Coaches:** Dan O'Brien, St. Thomas Academy; Charlie Reed, Woodbury; Dana Strain, Hastings; Derek Flann, BOLD; Aaron Ferrier, Redwood Valley; Darin Raasch, Zumbrota.
- **North Coaches:** Matt Lombardi, Maple Grove; Jamie Morford, Royalton; Charles Adams III, MPLS North; Bill Kinnunen, Grand Rapids; Matt Radniecki, NY Mills; Paul Timjum, Ada-Borup West
- Game is at US Bank Stadium: Saturday, December 10, 2022, 6:00 PM
- Banquet is Friday Dec 9 at 7 PM at the Doubletree
- Coaches report Tuesday Dec 6
- Players report Wednesday Dec 7
- Players and coaches will be staying at the Doubletree
- The North team will practice at Concordia College
- The South team will practice at Augsburg College
- There will be 44 players on each team (one of which will be a kicker)
- Nominations are due Friday Oct 21
- Teams will be announced on Prep Sports Extra on Friday Nov 11

#### **H. Hall of Fame (Tschimperle & Lemke)**

- Current applicants on file: HS division – 17; college – 1; citation – 2

#### **I. Awards Committee (Dotseth)**

- Activity will occur after the season

#### **J. Awards Banquet (Nelson)**

- Activity in the spring

#### **K. Tackle Cancer (Nelson)**

- 160 high schools & 17 colleges currently participating.
- Goal is \$400K
- Raised 2.5 million
- Randolph – town of 500, raised \$30,000, not done yet

#### **L. Recruiting Fair & Combine (Ferguson)**

- TCO Gardens in Vadnais Heights
- Recruiting Fair 9-11:30 am
- 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> graders at 8:00-11AM
- 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> graders Noon to 3:00 pm
- 2023 – May 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### **M. MFC Clinic (Allaire)**

- 2023 Clinic: March 30-April 1<sup>st</sup>
- Sub-District reps meeting on Thursday afternoon rather than Friday Morning

#### **N. NFF (Nigon)**

- No word from the NFF. Recommend holding off on a scholarship

#### **O. Jerry Kill Power of Influence (Bakken)**

- Dwight Lundeen is a candidate for the national award in January

## **P. Retired Coaches (Ramey)**

## **Q. Community Service (LaBore)**

- Anyone has recommendations, pass it on.
- Recommend getting a blast out.

## **R. Camp Outreach (Petermeier)**

- Branch out to include schools who haven't previously participated. Send out a blast.

## **S. Academic All-State (Petermeier & David)**

- Have had good numbers

## **VII. Old Business**

### **A. Seeding Classes 1A through 5A for the Prep Bowl**

- Proposal by October 15<sup>th</sup> to the MSHSL using a MSHSL new form. Has made some changes. Still looking for other input. Suggestion to get a non-FB AD on the committee.
- No lobbying gets to be done. Proposal is made and a vote is taken. Will seed like the other sports.
- Seed 1-8 could present problems for getting games outside the Metro. Alternate would be 1-4 North and 1-4 South.
- Suggestion that we go with what we want.....one proposal.

## **VIII. New Business**

- Trevor Carrier, LeRoy-Ostrander (9M) contacted leadership and indicated a desire to be added to a committee.
- There was a discussion centering around the need to be cognizant of the need for diversity within the MFCA, including leadership roles. It should be promoted withing all aspects of the MFCA.
- There was a discussion about the need for a public relations position to fill the gap between various social media platforms. Jeff Williams will review methods to enhance reporting and publicizing the mission and achievements of the MFCA. Historian Dave Giles is a good source.
- Beau LaBore cited the need to keep the website updated and current.

### **A. 2nd Vice President (4A, 2A, 6A, 9M, 5A, 3A, 1A)**

- Three 4A coaches Indicated they're interested in the position: Joe McPherson, Orono; Greg Spahn, Grand Rapids, & Nick David, Mound Westonka
- Committee selected Nick David, Mound Westonka as the candidate to be presented to the Sub-District reps in November.
- Public relations position needed – Jeff Williams, Owatonna volunteered.

**Next Executive Committee Meeting: Saturday, January 14, 2023 @ 8:00 AM via ZOOM**