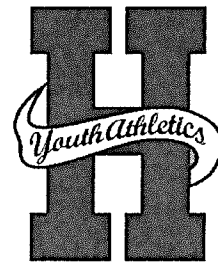


MEETING MINUTES
HARRISBURG YOUTH ASSOCIATION, INC.
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 9, 2023
7:15 PM HARRISBURG PARK OFFICE




- CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM
- ROLL CALL:** The following members of the HYA Board were physically present: Blake Emery, Kyle Harbison, Lyndsi Apple, Brad Karnes, and Lacey Upchurch.
- HYA Board Members Absent: Evan Denbow and Matt Lewis
Visitors Present: None
- PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There was a phone call received requesting Umpire Training class for all HYA umpires. XXXXXX
- CONSENT AGENDA:** Lacey Upchurch made the motion to accept the June 2023 meeting minutes and seconded by Lyndsi Apple. All in favor 5-0 per voice vote.
- CLOSED SESSION:** There was no motion to enter into Closed Session.
- PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**
- Financial Review Blake Emery went over all the receipts and expenses for June 2023. Account Balance at the end of June was \$26,682.45
- Fundraiser Blake Emery presented that the Steward Chiropractic Fundraiser had a donation of \$1,310.00
- Sport Card Event Blake Emery presented that the Sport Card Event had over 20 tables and raised \$475.00
- Thrillbillies Blake Emery presented that there were over 250 tickets sold for HYA Night at the Thrillbillies
- JNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
- GC Light Poles Blake Emery presented that there are no updates on the light pole replacements. The fields will be analyzed at the end of the season to determine the best method to start replacing the poles. The replacement for the pole that was blown over by the wind at Field 2/3 has started.
- NEW BUSINESS:**
- Flag Football Blake Emery presented that Flag Football Registration would be July 10 to Aug 12 with the Skills Camp on August 12th. HYA will play 3 weeks of morning games and 3 weeks of afternoon games. Team selection will occur the weekend of August 12th with coach meeting on Aug 20th. HYA will try to get referees registered and trained as soon as possible.
- Concessions were brought up for discussion as SYSA initially countered with \$20 per Flag Football Participant or \$15 per participant and HYA pay half the cost of the concession coordinator. Eventually SYSA brought it down to \$12 per participant after it was shown to them the potential revenue they could make from HYA Flag Football Concessions. Blake Emery made it very clear that he was not pleased with how SYSA handled the concession situation and blindly asked for more money from HYA Flag Football participants without any ability to back up their financial request. Blake Emery made the motion that HYA runs their own flag football concession for the upcoming season and seconded by Brad Karnes. All in favor 5-0 per voice vote.
- 2023 Baseball/Softball Blake Emery presented the opportunity to discuss anything from the Rec League season that concluded in June. Brad Karnes mentioned that coaches in 12U Boys League were deciding to change rules on stealing and pickoffs midseason without discussing it with all coaches in the league and with HYA for approval.
- Future of HYA Blake Emery presented that HYA Travel is not able to live up to the expectations of what other travel formats are offering. The HYA 12U Girls Travel Team did not even play a game and asked to quit their season and be refunded their money. There were not enough kids tryout for 10U Girls or 12U Boys teams. The 10U Boys team did have a season with around 15 games. Blake

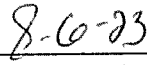
Emery presented that he feels HYA should focus on the Rec League program and the 350 to 400 kids who participate in it and let people do whatever travel format they feel is best for them. There have been coaches come talk to Blake about trying to get more local travel games throughout the week and then play on further away weekend teams if they choose to as well. Blake said he has been recommending to people who approach him that they should just form their own teams and purchase team insurance and be able to wear Harrisburg purple and white. There is nothing stating they have to be affiliated with a certain program like HYA or Power Alley. Blake explained the history of HYA and how the travel format used to work and worked well and how HYA has adapted over the last 5 to 7 years to try and offer a suitable travel option. Based on the level of participation showing up at HYA tryouts and the level of effort getting from HYA Travel coaches, it has seemed that HYA Travel is not living up to travel expectations. Blake Emery made the motion to approve not proceeding with HYA Travel teams for the 2024 Season and promoting those interested in travel to create their own teams but also to encourage them to play in the HYA Rec League for additional games and practices right here in Harrisburg and seconded by Kyle Harbison. All in favor 5-0 per voice vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Blake Emery announced that the next regular board meeting is scheduled to be August 6, 2023 at 7:15 p.m. at the Park Office Community Room.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



Kyle Harbison, Secretary



Date Signed