

Saratoga NJB

Wednesday 11/12/14 Meeting Minutes (Jake's, Saratoga)

In Attendance: *Sujat Mahajani*
Michael O'Hara
Mike Overby
Jeff Roper
Mark Peebles
Kyle Peebles
William Fung
Doug Green
Michelle King

*** Prior Board minutes approved at beginning of meeting.

1. Final Team Numbers (Jeff)

- 22 Division Teams
- 3 All Net Teams (5th, 6th, and 8th – no 7th)
- 2 High School Teams
- Total 27 teams, a few teams more than last year

2. Gym Availability (Mike O'Hara)

- Practices and games all set... settled with Mel
- Mike posting schedule on the website

3. AN Certifications (Mark)

- Certifications in progress – still need 6th grade AN book (Sujat to follow up with Scott)
- Mark resigning and needs replacement for AN Coordinator
 - Possible replacements to be explored (Sujat to follow up)
 - Position duties pretty much done until next year

4. Fingerprinting/Coach Clinic and Registration (Jeff)

- All assistant coaches need to do lifescan – NJB clinics provide the lifescan there
- Saratoga coach clinic – Need to register, etc. to get coach's card and must attend coach clinic
- Exception possible for returning coaches to be waived
- Tentative Date for Saratoga Coach Clinic – 11/22 (Mike O'Hara to confirm date)
- For fingerprinting – pay fee first and then get reimbursement from chapter

5. Coaches Update (Mike O'Hara)

- Balls have been ordered by Sujat for each coach – division only
- Doug Green to distribute after received by Sujat, 2 per team

6. Section Update (Sujat)

- Fees to section and national.... Coach Clinic & Fingerprinting 11/9
- Schedule smoothing (Jeff & Mike) – TBC
- Game Forfeit - \$150 penalty paid by chapter
 - **MUST SHOW** even if low number of kids – **NO FORFEITS**
 - Collect from outside chapters that forfeit
- Score Inputs – Gym Monitor (Jeff)
 - Jeff will take care of internal games – coaches to email scores to Jeff
 - Home chapters need to take care of games that we are hosting
- Gym Operation Game Day Sheet to be updated on website
 - Game day etiquette/"Gym Operations" to be posted at the gym on day of games
- Post Season gym availability?? (Mike)
- Turkey Day Shootout – November 29/30... not much interest because not enough time to practice as teams have recently just formed
- AN Certification Date deadline – December 3rd
 - Book certifications need to be completed
- HS – All games will be played at Santa Clara High School, starting second week of December
 - When players are cut from HS, can play for NJB – HS coach to inform cut players as well
- All Star needs clarification on rules, D2 and D3 okay
 - Verify with Mel regarding D1.
 - All Star team doesn't cost chapter extra for gym time (Sujat to doublecheck)

7. 3rd/4th Place Game Consideration

- Poll for interest – revisit this in January
- Games would potentially be President's Day weekend

8. Registration Lessons learned (Mike Overby/Michelle)

- Depending on next year's website – possibly automate the liability waiver as part of the online registration process by using a checkbox, eliminating the need to print
- If convert to RSports, it may require payment online. Credit cards can be used to pay if Player wants to pay the credit card fee
- Evaluations mandatory – no need to come to both but must attend minimum of one. Contact Jeff in advance if can't attend either. No way to rank if player doesn't attend an evaluation
- Marketing strategy for outside chapters tabled til before next year's registration
- Evaluations and Team Formation (Jeff/Steve/William)
- Marketing – banners good and flyers good but target current families more heavily in the future. Target friends with flyers – 'bring a friend to eval'. Possible Open Gym to bring a friend – cut AN practice time in October by 30 min and do open gym time. Especially good for targeting D3 and girls.

Next Board Meeting – Wednesday December 10th at Jake's, Saratoga – 7:30pm – 9:00pm

- Get feedback from coaches after first game....