

January 15, 2009

Crushers board meeting minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

**New business:**

1. Welcome new board members Cathi Jones, Karen Shipp, and Steve Shipp!
2. Descriptions and responsibilities for each position were discussed. (Details of each position can be found in the first slides of the presentation from the annual meeting.)
3. Paula made a motion to install new officers (as seen below). The motion was seconded by Neta and unanimously approved.

Board positions for 2009 will be as follows –

President – Tim Garner

Vice President – Paula Schaerer

Treasurer – Jodi Blot

Secretary – Neta Lowe

Uniform coordinator – Cathi Jones

Public relations – Karen Shipp

Coaches Committee Chairman – Steve Shipp

4. Future board meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, at 6:30 pm. Unless otherwise noted the meeting place will be Jodi Blot's home -6681 Deep Hollow Lane, Manassas. The executive session will be conducted from 6:30-7:00 pm with the open portion of the meeting to follow at 7 pm. Any member of the Crushers family is welcome to attend the regular session of the board meeting.
5. Background checks for coaches – All coaches (managers and assistant coaches) must submit to a background check before practices begin. The board will pay for these checks for the manager and one assistant coach for each team. The background check fees for any other coaches must be paid for by the team. The cost will be approximately \$25/coach. This policy will first apply to the fall '09 season. The procedure will be –
  - Application submitted to the coaches' committee (summer time frame)
  - Following approval by the coaches committee, background checks will be run
  - Results of these checks will be reviewed by a limited committee of the executive board
  - Board approval of new coaches.

**Old business**

1. Incorporation –
  - The Crushers organization has been approved for incorporation.

- Jodi will now file for the new tax exempt status. This is expected to take approximately 6 months, but will be retroactive to the filing date.
  - The cost of filing is \$750 and will be paid for by the organization.
2. Crushers tournament – Plans are moving forward
- The first tournament (October, '09) will be held in Fairfax county due to the high cost of fields and lost of concession income associated with fields in Prince William county.
  - The tournament will be geared toward girls in the 10-14 yr old age groups, as these teams tend to play more fall tournaments.
  - Responsibilities and profits will be divided among all Crusher teams.
3. Other finance issues
- The organization will incur expenses associated with advertising before fall tryouts
  - The organization will also be responsible for advertising the tournament, although there are websites where this can be done for free.
  - In the future there will be fundraisers for both teams and the organization. Jodi will include that information when passing fundraising information to the teams.
  - The organization will no longer be able to cover tournament fees for teams that are short on funds. It will be the responsibility of each team to make sure commitment fees and fundraising fees are paid in time to cover these expenses. The organization funds are low due to the expenses involved with the incorporation (\$750) and new tournament (field reservation fee of \$200 so far).
  - Upcoming fundraisers –
    - Movie nights in February and March
    - Possible pizza sale? More info to come.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30

Next meeting February, 11, 2009.