

October 13, 2010

To: Lovell Recreation Committee

Re: Lovell Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes for September 16, 2010

Attendance: Michael Mendonca, Joe Moody, Linda Dunlea, Alison Wolfe, Meg Dyer, Kim DeSanctis, Tom Rose, Sarah Rose, Paul Armington and Jackie Lounsbury

The committee introduced and welcomed Kim DeSanctis, our newest member from Stoneham, to the Lovell Recreation Committee.

- I. Old Business
  - A. The 7/8/10 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as written...
  - B. Treasurer's Report: Linda reported all transactions since our last meeting with an ending balance of \$12,334.39.
  - C. Outcome and Announcements:
    1. Old Home Days: Michael reported that all went smoothly...only a float was lacking. Originally, the wrestling team was going to do it, but only 4 wrestlers could make it so Michael cancelled it. The dunking booth raised \$110 and the Old Home Days Committee's 5K Run raised nearly \$1000, which is split with the LR. Michael said that many people commented that L.O.H.D. is becoming more and more family oriented.
    2. Summer Programs: Michael reported that this past summer had the best weather in six summers! Also, due to PKA, LR programs had their highest attendance records yet. Soccer had 30+ participants. Swimming had over 100... LR spent a lot of money on certifications for swim instructors this year. Only about 15-20 kids participated in the Triathlon this year. Next year it will be held on a Friday so that all LR programs can participate. Approx. 55 children participated in LR programs through PKA, bringing in \$1,375 in fees to LR. Something that needs to be worked out if PKA is involved next summer is timing for morning programs. Due to school breakfasts being served and busing, the PKA children consistently arrived at morning programs around 8:20am for 8am programs.
    3. Tour de Lovell: biggest yet- 96 people participated... Bridgton News published an article about the race. Unfortunately, Seth Eastman got hurt. He crashed into a car that turned when it was directed not to by event volunteers near the village post office. To avoid extra traffic, next year the event will be held an hour earlier, from 8-10am instead of 9-11am. Michael wants to keep the event "town friendly". Proceeds from this event are split with the Hobbs Library.
    4. Fall Programs: lots of participants in soccer and other programs as well. Archery has approx. 10 signed up and Cheerleading has 9. K-1 and Grades2-3 Soccer programs need Asst. Coaches.
  - D. Halloween Harvest Party Sub-committee: Michael said he can do the hay maze but he is too busy to organize the party. He is looking for two adult volunteers to organize the party and get back to him ASAP as Halloween is coming up soon. None of the present LR members volunteered. Tom said he would help Michael with the maze and bring two teens to help as well. Tom also said he would speak to Deb Jordan about possibly taking on the party with her youth group.

- E. Youth Athletes Code of Conduct: Meg, Alison and Tom did an excellent job coming up with a “Players Code of Conduct”. Copies were distributed for committee members. Much discussion ensued regarding this new policy. It was decided that coaches should discuss this policy with the team and parents at the very first practice of the season. Also, parents will be given copies of this policy at the time of sign-ups. Ultimately, the committee also decided to keep the new code as it is written and tweak it if necessary as each season goes by. Meg said she would email Michael the one change made to the new code: “Aggressive behavior” was added as a “Major Offense”. As fall programs are already underway, this new code will be incorporated beginning with winter programs.
- F. Youth Athletic Clothing/Equipment Exchange Idea: this topic is being tabled until next month when Stephanie can be present.

## II. New Business

- A. End of Year Programming and Purchases: if anyone has any ideas about “big ticket” items, please let Michael know. Presently, Michael is planning to register the snow sled and maintain it, purchase a professional sign with a trail map, and purchase new uniforms for the girls’ basketball team.
- B. Lovell Nordic Ski Trails: Sarah suggested LR purchasing skis to rent to families, rather than renting through Maine Winter Sports.
- C. Other:
  - 1. Christmas Tree Sale: it was decided to keep the trees at Rosie’s again this year. Michael is going to inquire about a bigger sign to advertise the sale as it is hard to see the trees from the road. Pat Thurston was suggested as someone who could paint the sign.
  - 2. Sarah volunteered to help with the Gaspign Gobbler.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.

Notes taken by Jackie Lounsbury