

Child Safety Committee

Minutes 2/12/2014

Attendees: Members in attendance Bob Correia, Jeff Downs, Pastor Bill Dudley, Vicki Lowe, Tim O'Leary, Lynda Walsh
Absent, Deb Spinelli

Guests:

Bruce Boudin ~ Foxboro Youth Basketball

Joe Keane ~ Foxboro Soccer

Phil Thomas ~ Foxboro Midget Football

Justin Campbell ~ Rivers Church

The Minutes for the 1/22/2014 were approved: Motion by Bill Dudley/Second by Jeff Downs 5-0.

Bob gave the visitors an overview of the history of the committee and what the groups goals and objectives are.

We discussed having quarterly training of the Darkness to Light program so that all of the sports groups would have a chance to complete the training by January 1, 2015.

Bruce Boudin questioned how far down the chain are we training, he mentioned that many of his Referees are younger than 17. Tim O'Leary stated that this is a work and process and we'll need to have more discussion about that subject.

Joe Keane brought up the fact that the coaches currently have to take the concussion training, obtain the Coach License, which are both courses available on line, they also need to have CORI's completed. The group reminded folks that it's important to at least have one full training, it's the only way that people get a better understanding of what to look for, etc.

Vicki suggested that maybe we could bring the trainers to the boards, if they meet regularly. The hopes of Chairman Bob is that we can set something up for a couple days and ask the School Trainers to participate in getting everyone trained. Tim reminds us all that awareness is the ultimate goal, and we should invite parents as well.

Phil asked that a couple committee members give a presentation during his April Board meeting.

It was mentioned that if a person coaches a couple different sports, he/she only needs to take the training once. A master list of people that have been trained is obtainable and Bob will be requesting that from the YMCA. Currently, the lists has approximately 600 people listed that have completed the Darkness to Light course.

The Group discussed Jim Devellis's Draft for the Town Meeting Article.

Amendments..

Section 2, 2nd paragraph, last sentence to replace "town property." with "in the Town of Foxborough."

Add a #6 to the Powers and Duties

a written list of recommended required training to be completed by the following year

Motion by Vicki to approve the Draft Article as amended/second by Tim, motion carried 6-0

Lynda will get the amendments to Jim who will make the changes and submit to Town Council for review, Jim has already put a place marker for the article to be presented at town meeting.

Bill and Jeff will speak with Deb Spinelli to get some dates when her trainers would be available

Tim and Lynda will work together to create the publicity, etc. for the upcoming training

The next meeting will be held 2/26

Motion to adjourn by Jeff/second by Tim, motion carried 6-0