

BOARD MEETING MAY 21, 2003

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by Tony Violi. The meeting started with a prayer at 7:42 P.M.
2. Thanks to St. Michael's for hosting and also thanks to everyone for driving down to Plymouth for the meeting.
3. Treasurer's Report (Bill Sorukas) balance in checking is \$27,621.00. This is not an accurate balance because there are a lot of checks that have been sent out recently that will lower the balance.
4. 5th and 6th Grade Baseball (Mark K.). St. John won the 6th grade tournament and Holy Cross won the 5th grade tournament. Concerns for the season were that some scores were not called in, specifically one team in the 6th grade had a coach that never showed up for any meetings nor called in any scores. The scores were continually updated on the website as they were received. St. Jude mentioned a game involving a school that did not follow the rules on the time limits. This was discussed at a coaches meeting and also with the umpire involved and it was determined that parents from one of the teams pressured the coaches and umpire to allow the game continued because it was a tie game.
5. Varsity Baseball (Bill Sorukas). In the Boscoe division, St. Matts and St. Joe South Bend are vying for the championship. In the Depores division, Mishawaka Catholic and St. Anthony Maroon team are battling for that division title. Currently, the season is in the middle of the tournament and any of the games that need to be played to determine the division champion will occur after the tournament is over. The comment was made that Sheridan Park was in very good shape this year.
6. Girl's Track (Scott Stevens). In the season Class A was won by St. Thomas, Class B by Christ the King, and Class C by St. Joe Mishawaka. The overall trophy went to St. Anthony. In the city meet ten records were broken. St. Thomas won the A division, Christ the King won the B division, and St. Anthony won the C division.
7. Wrestling. John and Reggie Glon made a presentation. Request was made at the ICCL to help reorganize the wrestling program. There is a need for parent support and coaches. It is clear that there is a difference in the wrestler's ability in high school based upon their participation in wrestling at a younger age. It was suggested that the 6th grade and under would be a developmental league, and would start on February 7th and end on March 7th. There would be a 7th and 8th grade level, which would start January 6th and end March 15th this would be an all-star team involving participants from all schools. The ICCL would be a source of participation and communication. The wrestling would currently be in a developmental stage, and if the interest increases, then the ICCL could once again sponsor wrestling.
8. Tony Violi mentioned that the proposed letter to the schools in draft form would be discussed at the July meeting.
9. Election of Officers. Nominations were made by Joe Kozinski and seconded by Tony Catanzarite. The nominated positions: Tony Violi for President, Jeff Booher for Vice President, Bill Sorukas for Treasurer, and Mark Kopinski for Secretary. All were elected for a two year term by 12-0 vote.
10. Website. It is suggested that there is a need to continue working on the website. A suggestion was

made to pay someone to do the inputting of the information because of how time consuming it is, and that there are some individuals that have a brain freeze when dealing with computer technology. There were a lot of “hits” on the site to find out scores from the different sports. A comment was made that the ICCL should pay someone or some company to run the website since all of the work thus far has not been charged to the ICCL, and this may explain why some of the things have been going as slow as they have.

11. Girls Softball. Art Perry needs the names of the softball coaches for next year.
12. 5th and 6th Grade Softball. A question was made as to why the umpires in the 5th and 6th grade softball are not paid. This may be the only sport where the umpire or referees are not paid, but instead are parent volunteers.
13. Question: Do you need a minimum number of players to make a team? Those numbers are not etched in stone and any suggested numbers is a guideline and not a rule.
14. Team Fees. Bill Sorukas made a presentation suggesting that there should be a \$200.00 fee per team per sport with one-half reimbursement for referees to the host schools. In the boys and girls 5th and 6th grade basketball, the fee is \$300.00 per team. An analysis was done, that if the fees were lowered to \$200.00 it would decrease the amount of income by \$8,000.00 but this would be offset by only reimbursing for half of the referees instead of the total cost. It is even possible that money could be made even though there is a decrease in the team fees.
15. Motion to adjust the team fees to \$200.00 per team per sport with one-half reimbursement of the referee to the host schools. Motion by Tony Catanzarite. Seconded by Jeff Pulaski. There was a motion to table the discussion by Bill Dillon, seconded by John Duff. This motion to table passed 9-1-2. The question of the standardized \$200.00 fee per team per sport should be discussed by all schools so that it can be brought up at the July meeting.
16. Motion to approve minutes by Bill Dillon. Seconded by Randy Wanbaugh. Passed 12-0.
17. Motion to accept Treasurer’s Report by Kim Welch. Seconded by Tony Catanzarite. Passed 12-0.
18. Discipline Committee rules recommendation will be discussed at the July meeting.
19. Next meeting will be July 16, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. at St. John. Please note the time change for 7:00 P.M.
20. Motion to adjourn by Tony Catanzarite. Seconded by Kim Welch. Passed unanimously. Meeting ended at 9:11 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary ICCL

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