

Franklin Recreation Meeting September 1, 2016 (draft)

Participants:

Bridget Thompson, Stephanie Ho, Bridgette Favreau, Aaron Porter, Brady Giroux

Bridgette Favreau called meeting to order at 6:04

Discussion of how Franklin Recreation and the Franklin Representatives on the Northwest Little League Board will work together going forward.

- Bridget provided details about her phone conversation with Pattijo Walker of Northwest Little League – it's ok to communicate at Franklin Recreation's September 6 informational meeting that interested members with a vested interest in Little League can contact Pattijo if interested in becoming a Franklin Representative on the Northwest Board.
- There was discussion on what it means to have a vested interest in Little League: it is believed to be a volunteer, parent, or coach.
- Aaron stated that he believed that for the the vote for new Northwest Board Representatives each town would pick night and hold a vote
- Bridget stated that Pattijo said Brady had reached out about coordinating the Franklin voting meeting for new Northwest Board Representatives and Bridget suggested that Franklin Rec Coordinate Meeting
 - Aaron and Brady concurred that Franklin Recreation can take the lead on organizing the voting meeting for Franklin Representatives on the Northwest Little League Board.
- Discussion about the voting meeting:
 - How do interested individuals get their name on the ballot?
 - Write in
 - Announce that interested parties should contact Pattijo via email prior to the vote so their names can be on the ballot
 - Verbal announcement at Franklin Recreation Informational Meeting
 - Written announcement in email to Little League coaches to be forwarded to team members and their parents.
 - The vote will consist of a two hour time window where vested members of Northwest Little League can vote

- Brady suggested that Franklin Recreation Board members count the vote
 - Persons with names on ballot cannot aid in vote counting
- Aaron expressed concern about what constitutes a volunteer and stated that it would be beneficial to have a Northwest Little League Representative to be at voting incase there are issues when someone wants to vote who may not have a vested interest.
 - Franklin Recreation will secure a voting location and date and communicate with 2016 Franklin Little League coaches and ask them to forward the email to the parents of the players on their team.
- Stephanie asked what role Franklin Recreation would have in Franklin's Little League program after the voting meeting.
 - Brady and Aaron envision Franklin Recreation will coordinate the Franklin Little League season similar to coordinating the Soccer and Basketball seasons. (note that Franklin Recreation is not coordinating the Soccer and Basketball seasons in the 2016-2017 school year, they are still run through the school)
 - Brady and Aaron suggested that Franklin Recreation have a point person who asks for volunteers to help coordinate the season, but caution against having a separate board.
 - Brady stated that Northwest Little League creates the Little League season schedule (currently and in the future)
 - Stephanie spoke with David Tatro, the third Franklin Representative on the Northwest Little League Board earlier in the day and shared details from that conversation.
 - Dave envisioned that the Northwest Representatives would coordinate the voting meeting and plan the Little League season.
 - Bridget suggested that Franklin Recreation will announce that Northwest Little League is looking for more board members at the public informational meeting on September 6. All present agreed.
- Bridget motioned that Franklin Recreation will arrange time and place of the vote for new Franklin representatives on the Northwest Little League Board. Once the date and time have been selected, Franklin Recreation will notify Northwest Little League and email the 2016 Franklin Little League coaches about the meeting. The coaches will be asked to forward the email to parents of children that they coached.
- Additional Little League season details will be discussed once the Franklin Recreation Board is full and the new Northwest Little League Representatives have been appointed.
- Franklin Recreation will reach out to Northwest Little League via Pattijo Walker to ask for clarification that each town doesn't need an individual board and ask if

Northwest Little League supports Franklin Recreation coordinating the Little League season.

- If supported by Northwest Little League and the Franklin Representatives, Franklin Recreation will send out and collect permission slips, assign coaches, aid in scheduling field time and oversee field maintenance
- Help from interested parents will be welcome.
- Bridget motioned that we move on to the next topic. Stephanie seconded. The motion passed.

St. Albans Messenger Proposed Writing an Article about Franklin Recreation.

- Bridget motioned that Stephanie call Messenger back and state that because the board is new, we would prefer to wait until after the board is full to talk more. Bridgette seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Stephanie motioned that we move on to the next topic. Bridget seconded. The motion passed.

Plan for September 6 Informational Meeting

- The Recreation Board reviewed the proposed agenda for the meeting and decided who would speak about each topic.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Ho