



Athletic Committee Meeting - MINUTES
Monday, September 20, 2021

1. Attendance: 6 in attendance

- 1) Keith Blomberg – New Lenox Community Park District
- 2) Charles Somerville – Alsip Park District
- 3) Eric Sloyan – Palos Heights Park and Recreation Department
- 4) Zach Price – Park District of La Grange
- 5) Tyler LeGrand – Pleasant Dale Park District
- 6) Maurice Sullivan – Frankfort Park District

2. Topics of Discussion:

a. Athletic Meeting Format

- i. Would you like to continue to meet by Zoom or in person?

All 6 within attendance voted to keep the meeting format by Zoom. A survey will be sent to the Athletic Committee of what format we would like to use.

b. Athletic Committee Topics of Discussion

- i. What topics would you like to discuss this year?

We reviewed the list of agenda topics to discuss for our meetings. This list will be sent in an email to the Athletic Committee to see if any more topics should be added to the list. During the meeting we added, Marketing, Co-op Programs, and Adult League awards/Prize Money.

c. Review of Summer programs' successes, conflicts & changes

- i. How did your Summer Athletic Programs go?

Registration went really well for all the agencies. Numbers were comparable to numbers back in 2019. A lot of agencies had problems with some contractors due to their lack of staffing. These contractors were Skyhawks and Sports Kids Inc. We discussed how we overcame those contracted staffing issues with part-time staff taking over some of the programs.

We also touched on our Youth Athletic Leagues. Some agencies had a hard time getting coaches to step up with the high volume of registrations. We discussed what agencies use "buddy requests" within their leagues and any incentives given to coaches.

d. Future SSPRPA Co-op programs

- i. Esports

Last year the Athletic Committee did a Co-op Esports Rocket League Tournament. We had a total of 23 participants within the Double Elimination Tournament. This tournament went from March until mid-May. We will look to do this same tournament this next year, but we are aiming for the dates to be January until March.

e. Topic ideas for next meeting?

Some topics we will discuss at the next meeting is:

Fall Programs – current registration numbers, successes, and conflicts

Winter/Spring Program Guide – programs you are running, new programs, budgeting

Youth Athletic Leagues

Fitness

3. Next Meeting: Monday, October 18, 2021 @ 11AM

An email will be sent during the week of Oct. 11 for the meeting format and agenda topics.