

Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019

These are the minutes from the board meeting on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Members present: Rob Norman, Geoff Holt, Bryan Gan, Korry Rogers, Ameil Shadid, Kerry Tramel, Brent Orr, Stephen Alexander, David Bryant, David Sands, Troy Adams, Mitch Biesemeyer

Members absent: None

President Rob Norman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Ron Whitaker presented Rob Norman with service pins for recruitment for Optimist and was recognized as President of the Norman Optimist. He thanked the optimist for all the work that is done in the Norman community. He discussed getting our club involved in the oratorical program and essay contest. He encouraged us to increase enrollment and to attend the district Optimist meetings. The next meeting is this Saturday in Bethany OK. The next meeting is in August is in Broken Arrow with the national meeting taking place in Louisville KY. Optimistleaders.org is a website that the Norman club need to ensure that all information is accurate.

Ameil Shadid made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting, Troy Adams seconded the approval, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Mitch Biesemeyer (Executive Director) went over the first quarter financial report. Everything was in order

Rob Norman especially recognized Brently Orr, Brent went above and beyond to work with the INFC to pull in more City area teams which will help reduced travel to Tulsa for our Football teams. Brent is now on the INFC board as the Vice-Chair for the western half of OK. Rob also recognized Jack Kasulis for being involved with the Norman club for so long. The NOC will be endorsing Mr. Kasulis as a life time member. This decision was unanimously supported by the club.

Rob discussed the need to file a tax return for the club, noting that the club has been in a growth pattern for several years. We have had 938 kids involved with sports year in 2017, we are now at **1,609** for 2019. A breakdown of kids by sport is available if needed.

Rob also addressed the letters that were sent out regarding the view of the hanger by the city. Rob gave the details around the city's plan. He encouraged us to speak with our city council member to support moving the project to city park. We also discussed the possibility of the hangar being identified as a landmark and therefore protected.

Kerry gave a report on basketball, Sunday Funday has been a very successful program. 160 kids participated the last Sunday. Club basketball is progressing in a positive manner, 7<sup>th</sup> grade is doing well, 6<sup>th</sup> grade has won both tournaments they have played in recently. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teams will begin tourney play in March 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will begin practice this week. Kerry updated the board on a meeting with the FCA that would help foster positive behavior for all coaches that participate in all our programs. Ron brought up training for coaches under the optimist.org The first optimist will be the weekend of May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Brent gave a report on FB, there will be four camps that will be run by HS football coaches, registration is currently open. We will be doing camps this year instead of summer pride. Mitch updated the FAQ on football for people to better understand what is going on with Football. Brandon Rehkop offered to head up flag football if we need a second facility.

Rob went over the ballots and how the process worked for election and board members. Rob collected the ballots and verified that all nominees were unanimously. The secretary, Geoff Holt verified.

Rob handed the title of President to Stephen Alexander. Stephen set the meeting for the first Sunday of every month. The next meeting will be June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30. The meeting was adjourned.

Kerry gave a report on basketball we are having a very successful season. Strong positive feedback on everything basketball, Kerry discussed being more organized with the up-coming season. We will have a pre-season coaches meeting to cover rules and regulations and to improve discuss conduct by coaches and parents. Basketball continues to improve season over season. He also discussed Sunday instruction for "Sunday Funday" second through eighth grade will have an opportunity for instruction and an opportunity to play each other. We currently have 97 kids enrolled. Time will be 4:30 – 8:00 pm. We will try to add concessions to the program. We are attempting to schedule a tournament for the weekend of April 28<sup>th</sup>. He also discussed club evaluations for our grade traveling teams, the program was a strong success. Based on numbers and tryouts we will field teams from the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, 4<sup>th</sup> grade is still being evaluated, 5<sup>th</sup> grade did not make, 6<sup>th</sup> grade will try and field two teams. The traveling program is on track.

Brent discussed football with registrations opening April 1<sup>st</sup>, after June 15<sup>th</sup> registration fees will increase. We will not be providing game pants this year. We are still in need of a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Timberwolves coach and a 6<sup>th</sup> grade Tigers coach. We will be following the INFC model for drafting players.

Rob discussed the Executive director position and what the final compensation plan will look like for the position. Kerry made the motion we pay a straight salary with David seconding the motion carried unanimously.

Rob gave an update of the city's plan regarding the hangar and the Norman forward project. The city will be deciding in June. We will have messages going out to the data base regarding contacting city council members.

The board discussed possible additions to the board, we discussed new members. Shannon Vickery, Brandon Rehkop, Trent Wells, Jane Remy, and Jade Knowles are going to be put on a slate to be nominated as new board members.

The next meeting was set for the first Sunday in April, Rob Norman adjourned the meeting.