



Kern Valley Youth Football League (KVYFL) Board Meeting

Date/Time	06/10/2024 at 0600
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Notes taker	Brandy Arana – Interim Secretary

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1	Opening	Meeting Called to Order at: 6:06 pm (1806)
2	Attendance	Be sure to sign in on the sign-in sheet Levi Watts – President, Trish Gonzalez – Fundraising Coordinator, Heather Beam – Cheer Director, Jordan Lawson – Vice President, and Brandy Arana – Interim Secretary
3	Review/Approve Minutes	After review, are the past meetings minutes approved: Yes Motioned: Heather Beam Second: Trish Gonzalez If not approved, what updates are needed:
4	Presidents Report – Levi Watts	<p>League Fees were mailed off. KVYFL would like to get started soon, to ensure that we are covering more and starting earlier. Levi attended the Valley Youth Football League (VYFL) meeting for the presidents and referees.</p> <p>VYFL Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 11 teams in total in the league. This means that not all teams will play against each other. There will be at least 1 bi-week for all teams, some teams may have 2 bi-weeks. There will be 8 games max for all teams (not including playoffs and Superbowl) • Taft and Visalia did not join VYFL this year. • Tulare will be joining VYFL this year. • Tehachapi's numbers this year are huge. As of right now they have 60 JV players and 60 freshman players. • Most areas are already full. • Our numbers are still really low. Varsities numbers are the largest. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Levi request that we make regular Facebook and Instagram posts to advertise our enrollment. We need to overcommunicate the dues will increase, and that it is due to the individual or last minute ordering of uniforms and shipping. o Our Facebook number and interaction are down, our valley is just not in football mode yet. • There is one Bakersfield team that is struggling with their freshman numbers, and they may not have a team. • VYFL says that as long as the area has 3 levels, then they can still play the season. • Each location should have at least 1 possibly 2 bi-weeks. • Carnival is currently scheduled for August 24th. It will be in Arvin again. The league is discussing the idea of splitting carnival up into two days instead of one day. This would mean that the younger levels will compete on one day and the older levels will compete on the next day. This has not been confirmed yet, but that is what Arvin was



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5	Vice Presidents Report – Jordan Lawson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We have a coach who is wanting to step in and coach the sophomore team. He is bringing his staff with him. However, this is the same coach that has been let go a couple of times, but we are desperate. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Brandy mentioned that, even though we are desperate we should not consider the applicant. He is notorious for offering league resources and not completing his word. He regularly left kids on the field last season. Not to mention, he is known for playing favorites and not allowing other kids to play, no matter what the TEAM AD says. ○ The league decided to bring the current coaches together to see if we have a good group of people to step in as Sophomore and Varsity coaches. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This is an emergency coaching meeting to see what we have. This meeting is only for all current coaches and not for any prospective coaches. ▪ Possibly Friday at Levi’s house. ● Practicing – JV and Varsity can practice together. However Freshman and Sophomore cannot. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Varsity – No head coach currently <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Candidates backed out, other than Brandon. ▪ Brandon Jajillo said he will head coach, if there are two assistants. He wants to make sure that he has a backup for when he is out of town every other week for work. ▪ 3 assistant coaches, if Brandon says yes as head ▪ Roman backed out for varsity ○ JV Coach – 5 coaches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fred Montes as head, Richard Gonzales, Johnny, Ernie Arellanes, Pablo Anzaldo ● Practicing – Freshman and Sophomore cannot play regularly together <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sophomore <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Johnny – ▪ Gene is the only one who has applied as a coach. Gene has not been reliable in the past, nor has some of the staff signed up to coach with him. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nathan Peirce and Paul B have signed up to coach with Gene. However, they will not coach if Gene is not the head coach. ▪ Maybe reach out to JV and Freshman staff to see if someone will change ○ Freshman – 4 coaches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Conaghar may not be able to be a coach. ● Jordan and Jill need to get together to put all the sizes of shirts into the sheets. So that she can get them ordered. ● President Coaching Update: We want to put the best in front of our kids. No matter how we feel personally about the applicants, we need to select the best coach for the kids. If we know that there are issues, and continued issue then we need to select the best fit.



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	Vice Presidents Report – Jordan Lawson CONTINUED	<p>It has to be our goal to increase and improve every player on that field and we cannot do that if we have unreliable coaches. A solid coaching team has to be our priority to improve and encourage these kids. The kids are always first.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice President Coaching view: Everything really starts at the sophomore level. That's where we are going to see if they like football and start learning valuable skills. There is a good way to positively reinforce kids that may not be the best at sports. You have to create opportunity for the kids. This is where practice comes in. If you want to run the ball, lets see you do it. As the season progresses, and you are a beast and this is where the team needs you. Next season we can try another position.
6	Cheer Director Report – Heather Beam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AB1 training needs to be done by July 15th. • Cheer Needs Coaches – They will coach all teams together. It is very hard for the director to coach. Desperately needs cheer coaches. We are going to accept some of our high school kids, under an adult, as coaches. • Varsity Kayla, Ina and Destiny • Junior Coach Amanda Liske and Carson • Taylor Coach under another face
7	Treasurer Report – Jill Rowe	<p>Jill was unable to be at the meeting, the below is the agenda that she had planned to address.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly expenses • Football jerseys vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Option number 2 (two stripes) Motioned - Jordan; Seconded - Heather • Football pants vote • Football helmets
8	Snack Bar Report – OPEN	<p>Sabrina Eye may possibly be interested in running or helping with the Snack bar this season.</p> <p>Jordan is going to reach out to Adam to try and order water and Gatorade in bulk for the league. He may be able to store them in his walk in.</p>
9	Fundraising Report – Trish Gonzalez	<p>Bronc-A-Thon will be July 25th. This is mandatory for all players and cheer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are looking to have it on the lower Wallace Field, but we are waiting to hear back from Nicole at the school to see if it is possible.



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10	Equipment Manager Report – OPEN (Levi Watts Interim)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All white helmets got repainted and reface masked ● Mockups for ● CTrains, Local guy is having issues find a 20' ● June 22nd will be CTrain cleanup 0900 ● Levi is going to go to the school to try and get the an idea of what is going on. He is going to check with the high school to see if we can get the lower field ● Bron-A-Thon will try for the lower middle school ● Clinic at mesa field - Levi will work on that. Be prepared to show up earlier to pull up fences. 5-7 clinic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Clinic will have location to be announced. Maybe mesa field
11	AD Report – Amy Watts	<p>Amy was not able to attend. The below is what she prepared for the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Football: Freshman-8, Sophomore-7, JV-8, Varsity-11 ● Cheer: Mascot-2, Freshman-4, Sophomore-3, JV-1, Varsity-3
12	Old Business:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Duffle bag and water bottle order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bags go for Registered players that attend the clinic. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Smaller bag for Soph and Fresh ▪ Larger for JV and Varisty



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13	New Business:	<p>League Fee's and Fund Raising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can the league afford to take off \$100 per. The answer is no, we cannot afford to eat the estimated \$13,000. We are looking at ways to give back to our players/leaders and family. • We need to really push and encourage the player sponsorship forms. More and more businesses do not want to give to an organization and they want to give directly to the kids. See their faces. • We would like to put the Bronc-A-Thon funds to help reimburse some enrollment fees for those players that participate in it. The Bronc-A-Thon will also be scheduled on a day that conditioning is required to ensure players are present. This is not a guarantee, because funds are not guaranteed. <p>Board is looking to move our meetings to a new location. We are very grateful to Gene Parks for donating his business office for our board meetings for so long. We feel it is a great time to look for a new location and give Gene his offices back.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jordan will speak with Larry to see if we can move to the senior center. • Amy will look into the Kernville Chamber of comers. <p>Shantell Armstrong said that she would be our Medic. Levi and Jordan will reach out to Shantell to make sure that she completes all the training on time First aid kits are in.</p>
14	Next Meeting:	Next meeting date and time – July 1 st . Location to be determined.
15	Close of Meeting Time:	Meeting closed at 8:29pm