



Buffalo Fenians GAA  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 5, 2020 @ 7:00 pm

**Officers Present:** Mike Reiser, Bill Coyle, Tim Flanagan, Tim Callahan, Matt Lomot, Ellen Coyle, & Damien Brady

**Others Present:** Brian Connolly

**Officers Excused or Absent:** Paul Mulcaire and Gabe Wilson (both excused)

1. Approval of Minutes
  - a. **Discussion: None**
  - b. **Action taken: Motion to approve by Matt; seconded by Damien.**
  
2. Meat Raffle—Brian Connolly presented an overview to the board— He spoke with the guy he had arranged to work with on our original meat raffle...looking into a virtual meat raffle...he's set-up 7 meat raffles and has conducted one of those so far...presale ticket for \$50, ticket every round (including bonus round/50-50/gift card rounds)...Facebook live—took about an hour...video on wheel and presenter...distribution of tickets must be sold by club...has an online payment system for the \$50 ticket...distribution of 50/50 and gift cards are sent electronically...meat distribution would be a pick up option at the Center on a given day/time...360 tickets gross \$18,000; should net \$10,000...our original date is October 16...meat purchase is based on 20% of proceeds (tickets sold)...Brian will get details to us so we can make a decision---Mike will consult with youth to see if we can host one raffle.
  
3. Treasurer's Report:
  - a. Youth Account \$2242.30
  - b. Women's Account \$2123.00
  - c. Men's Account \$4476.47
  - d. CYC Account Same as last month-Motion to approve—made by Bill; seconded by Mike
  
4. 501-C3 Discussion/Review: Mike began by talking about a conversation he had with Gabe and consider potential penalties for misfiling for the past 3 years. Mike suggested getting a consultation from Freed-Maxick to see what, if anything, we should do as a club. Concern was expressed about opening up a potential can of worms with the IRS. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to only get a consultation from a Freed-Maxixk representative and report back to the board at the September meeting.



5. Correspondence

Email from City Parks—Gary contacted the club and stated that Jim Coyle, who works at Caz Park notified him that practices were taking place without permission. The city originally thought it was South Buffalo Soccer, but after speaking with them, it was determined that it was the Fenians. The city said we must submit a return to play plan and get the appropriate permits before any practices can be held. The city is only permitting non-contact/low contact practices, and that the goals behind the casino needed to be removed or they would take them to the Delaware Barns.

6. Return to Play—No change in the New York State guidelines at this time. If we plan on holding the fall intra-squad league, we will need to find fields we can use; perhaps the West Seneca Soccer Complex. Mike said he would reach out to Bill Hanley about this. Tim F. will look into writing a COVID return to play plan---Ellen stated she may have some documents about a plan already and will share these.

Any Other Business

Quiz—Friday, August 7th (virtual)

Adjournment

7. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Mike; seconded by Bill.  
Time: 8:14 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm.