



Buffalo Fenians GAA
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 8, 2020 @ 7:00 pm via conference call

Officers Present: Mike Reiser, Bill Coyle, Tim Flanagan, Tim Callahan, Ellen Coyle, Paul Mulcaire, Gabrielle Wilson, & Damien Brady

Others Present:

Officers Excused or Absent: Matt Lomot (excused)

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. **Discussion: None**
 - b. **Action taken: motion to approve made by Bill; second by Paul**

2. Treasurer's Report
 - a. **Youth Funds: \$1992.30**
 - b. **Women's Funds: \$2713**
 - c. **Men's Funds: \$2181.47 (Mike has approx. \$600)**
 - d. **CYC Account: \$1833.11**
 - e. **Action taken: Approved**

3. Correspondence: Cleveland St. Pat's Club cancelled 7s and Dave Slevin submitted club transfer to Tampa Bay.

4. Membership Update: 52 paid members as of March 31st.
 - a. Paul spoke on registration for the season from the USGAA point of view. USGAA is operating business as usual for the time being. They need to pay \$150,000 for the insurance for all clubs, but clubs/players must register. Gabe asked a question about what the period for coverage was--coverage is for January to January. Paul suggested that if we don't have a season, we should consider using funds from club registration to help pay for USGAA player fee. Paul thinks there is a possibility of USGAA Finals being played in October. Wait to see what USGAA decides before we make a decision on our player registration fees.

5. Midwest Conference Call: Tim F. discussed the draft schedules being considered and stated the Midwest would use some form of a hybrid blitz schedule if we have a season this year. We are waiting for the Midwest to decide on the final schedule structure.



6. Any Other Business

- a. Any updates for youth, women, or men—NYPD game is cancelled. Paul updated the youth registration process; some registrations are coming in now, but we need to switch the youth process over to TeamSnap, eventually.
- b. Paul discussed the AGL & sponsorship: We need to think about our sponsorship moving forward; we didn't sell enough AGL tickets and most of the tickets were sold by youth parents; however, they give money to other endeavors, such as the James Joyce letters and get nothing back from that group; therefore, we need to look at new sponsorship opportunities. Mike suggested that everyone bring some ideas about potential people/groups we can look into as sponsors for next year. Mike will send a draft of the proposal he used for Fat Bob's sponsorship.
- c. A lot of conversation about COVID-19 situation and its impact on the season and life in general.
- d. Mike talked about posting old games every Saturday or Sunday just to keep things going for the members.
- e. Bill asked for an update on women's jerseys—Gabe received the samples. Irishman is on hold being that it is closed. Most likely will order only one set for this year and a second one next year.
- f. Gabe is on a ladies' football committee call tonight at 8pm to discuss national football program. Buffalo ladies also have an Instagram page now.
- g. Paul: Pittsburgh is doing a quiz online as a fundraiser and maybe we can look into doing something similar...Ellen said she would reach out to Rob in Pittsburgh and see if we can get more details.
- h. Paul: USGAA Youth are doing a foundation course online and anyone can take it and then will do the outside portion once we can get outside.
- i. Discussed quick review of men's winter indoor sessions and now the team is just waiting for return of play.

7. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Mike; seconded by Bill

Time: 7:53 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 6th at 7:00 pm.