December 15, 2024; 4:15PM NLMFA Meeting Minutes

In attendance:

Board Members: Elizabeth Hart, Katelyn Smith, Heather Kawski, Matthew Walter, Adam Wetzel, Dawn Wetzel, Tara Bennethum, Darry Yocum, Dru Stokrp, Susan Dengler

Guests: Jamie Kawski, Dustin Hart

- Minutes from November 2024 meeting (Suggest was made to include first/last names for attendance and to distinguish between board/guests. Minutes will be updated to remove casual remarks and remain task and organization focused. November meeting minutes motioned for approval by Elizabeth, second by Katelyn.)
- II. Treasury Report (Emailed earlier in the day by Dawn along with treasury information for Tara Bennethum who will be taking over as the new treasurer. Upcoming expenses to be paid once invoices are received include trophies from award programs, Erie Insurance, and post office box. The high school cheerleading donation check has not yet been cashed, Dawn is going to check with the school on status. Once minutes are completed, a copy will be taken to the bank so that check signers can be updated for the 2025 year. Treasury report motioned for approval by Darry, second by Elizabeth.)
- III. Organization
 - a. Fireman's Park updates (During 2025, the NLMFA will not be able to practice or hold events in the park due to construction. The organization will be able to access the shed where equipment is stored. Susan will coordinate discussion with school regarding potential practice space; other suggestions included HM Levitz Park. It is likely that Adam will be taking over the care and scheduling of events at Fireman's Park in 2025 through his role with the Fredericksburg Fire Company, he'll keep the organization posted as to how this unfolds.)
 - b. Committee Reports
 - i. Participation (End of season survey was reviewed and questions will be added to clarify participating level and delineate between cheer or football. A parent or guardian can complete one survey per athlete. Question surrounding flag football interest will be added. Once survey is typed into Google form, will be emailed to 2024 families, ideally before end of the year. 2025 events at the elementary school may include the glow party and field day. Once information is available, will begin to organize volunteers and plans for the events.)
 - ii. Concession Stand (No needs at this time and everything has been removed from the pavilion at Fireman's Park. Items are in storage at either the shed or Stokrp residence.)
 - iii. End-of-year award ceremonies (Review of end of season award programs, both appeared to go smoothly and enjoyed by attendees. School site was

well received and stage layout was well set up. A suggestion was made to consider recording future presentations so that families could keep/download; may be possible to invite the high school news crew to assist with this in the future.)

- iv. Fundraising (End of year thank you postcards were mailed. Sponsorship letters will be updated for 2025.)
- IV. Safety (Organization could still benefit from new AED. Peyton Walker foundation gives them away with a commitment to share information and pay a \$300 fee.
 Elizabeth will also reach out to prior donor who was potentially interested in funding this purchase. Closer to the start of the season, will need to restock first aid kits.)
- V. Cheerleading (Heather shared that all uniforms have been turned in. No further updates at this time.)
- VI. Football (Adam shared that 112 helmets have been sent out for reconditioning. Provided information on Glazier Coaching Clinic to be held 2/28-3/2 in Pittsburgh. Youth coaches can attend for free, however request made to cover hotel rooms. Organization may send 4 coaches, discussion to continue at January board meeting.)
- VII. Flag Football (Athlete interest will be garnered with end of year survey. Individuals who are interested in coaching will be encouraged to email nlmidgetfootball@gmail.com. If there is significant athlete interest and coaches, organization will explore league or playing options.)
- VIII. CFA Updates (No additional information has been sent since the superbowls. Waiting on 2025 meeting dates and there may be some commissioner changes announced.)
- IX. 2025 Board (Meeting dates will continue to be the third Sunday of the month, 5:30pm start at the elementary school. Emphasis that anyone is welcome to attend board meetings and additional outreach can be done to promote this. Upcoming meeting dates and past minutes are listed on the website. At the January 2025 meeting, both candidates for head football coach will have the opportunity to speak with the board and afterwards board voting will take place. During early 2025, bylaws review and revision will take place.)
- X. New Business / Open Floor