

**St. Patrick Athletic Association**  
**January 11, 2010**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Start-Time:**

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm

**Attendees:**

Monte Hennen, Bill Dunker, Jim DeGross, Jeff Bjerke and Mike Sticha

**Treasurer Report:**

Mike presented current checking and savings balances. As of today, 41 Fundraiser tickets have been deposited. He also gave a total year 2009 list of expenses. For the year there was \$25,508.00 of expenses (see attachment) and \$27,601.10 in deposits. The 2009 Sales and Use tax will have to be paid soon. Mike and Mandy will work on it.

**Old Business:**

**DRS Team Website** – Bill reported the DRS Team website is up and running. It replaces the old site. The new address is [www.ballcharts.com/stpatrickirish](http://www.ballcharts.com/stpatrickirish) He will try and spread the word.

**Fundraiser** – ticket sales seem to be going ok. Mike is going to make contact with the DRS guys to ensure they have tickets. Mike will be calling the sellers to get an estimate on meals on or around January 19. Advertising in the NP Times was discussed. A motion was made to have a bigger ad in the NP Times, to run for 2 weeks if it would cost less than \$70. Motion passed 3-0. Mike will check with Times office this week on pricing. Bill would like a list at the front sign-in table for fans to list their email addresses. This would enable him to send them news about the different teams. Discussion on whether or not players/Board members can win the Fundraiser raffle. Jeff Bjerke urged that they should be able to win. Jim DeGross agreed as well. This was discussed at last meeting too. Bill motioned that DRS Players/Board members should be able to win the raffle prizes. Motion carried 3-0.

**New Business:**

**February Board Elections** – Board elections will take place next month. Advisor, Advisor, Sec/Treasurer and Vice President are up for election (1 year terms). President has 1 year remaining (2 year term)

**Shack Roof Improvement** – tabled. More to come as the weather improves in Spring.

**Cedar Lake Township** – Donation request and liquor license renewal. Mike will try and attend the Township's February meeting to discuss both items

**MVEC Donation Request** – Mike saw that MVEC (MN Valley Electric Co-op) offers donations to local non-profits. Mike motioned to send a request to MVEC to help defray our youth team equipment expenses (~\$1,000). Motion carried 3-0. Mike will work on it this week.

**NPHS Gym** – Bill will contact NPHS about renting gym time at the school in early spring for the DRS team to workout

**New Pee Wee and Midget Equipment** – Mike provided some numbers giving an estimate as to what the new equipment will cost for the new Pee Wee and Midget teams (if there is enough interest). Equipment estimated at \$900.

**Coach Pitch Team** – Mike did some investigating as there was some interest of a Coach Pitch team last fall. Lonsdale, Veseli, New Market, and Montgomery are in a league currently. They play on Monday nights and it runs June-July. Games are 3 innings long. Due to the fact Pee Wees play on Monday nights (and the fact there may be 2 Pee Wee teams), the Board doesn't think it would be in our best interest to pursue this team at this time.

**New Equipment Requests** – Mike brought up the thought of having coaches submit any equipment needs/requests as early as possible in the spring. The Board can then prioritize the requests and gauge it against the budget. Tabled.

**Youth Team Uniforms** – Mike would like to make sure the Board sees the youth teams uniform ideas before they are ordered. Some of last year's uniforms had "2009" on them and Mike felt this limited the kids from using the uniforms the next year if they still fit. Tabled.

**Local Youth Team Fee Structures** – Mike conducted a survey with local teams to see what they charge for their youth team fees. He presented a spreadsheet showing Veseli, St. Benedict, Lonsdale, and New Market's fees.

Next Meeting: Mike/Mandy will send out an email to find out the best time for the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 pm.

Submitted by Mike Sticha