

# Gunter Youth Association

## Meeting Minutes

### General Meeting

**August 7, 2006**

**7:00PM Cub Zone**

Meeting facilitated by Secretary – Sandra Yansky.

Board represented by the following:

**Officers in attendance:** Shari Meyerdirk – Facilities Chairperson, Sandra Yansky - Secretary,

**Commissioners in attendance:** Lauren Rogers, Greg Pecina, Kevin Green, Elizabeth Kulbeth, Sarah Price,

**Representatives in attendance:** Bobby Elvington, Stephanie Elvington, Becky Johnson

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**Call to Order** Motion by: Elizabeth Kulbeth Second by: Lisa Watson  
Meeting was called to order at 19:15PM. A quorum was present as required to conduct GYA business. Meeting was called to order by Secretary due to the offices of President and Vice President being vacant.

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**Treasurer** Financial report was made available by Treasurer – Cherie Connor via e-mail. Financial report presented and approved. Per Cherie Connor via Becky Johnson, the 501(c)(3) forms have been filed and should be retroactive to June, 2006.

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**Secretary** Minutes were not made available from June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. No meeting was held in July due to All Star Baseball tournaments.

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**Elections** Elections were held to fill the offices of President and Vice President. Motion was made by Elizabeth Kulbeth and second by Lauren Rogers to elect Shari Meyerdirk as President. All Approved. None opposed. Motion was made by Elizabeth Kulbeth and second by Lauren Rogers to elect Bobby Elvington as Vice President. All approved. None opposed. Clarification was made that the position of Activity Chairperson included concessions, fundraising and activities. These are not separate positions. Due to the election of Shari Meyerdirk to the office of President, Elizabeth Kulbeth made a motion to elect Becky Johnson as the Activities

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Chairperson. Second motion made by Lauren Rogers. All approved. None opposed. The vote to change the by-laws to include a fee for complaints to be addressed by the Board was tabled due to the absence of Terry Carr who had committed to create the new verbiage for the by-laws.

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**Football Update**

Update provided by Kevin Green. GYA will host two dates: September 30 for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade; October 21 for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade. There will be no host dates for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Schedules will be available in two weeks. Becky Johnson will coordinate the host dates. Team pictures will be taken August 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be a mandatory weigh-in at 8:00PM on August 18 at Second Hand Sports in Sherman, Texas.

The 2006 GYA Football teams include:

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – 15 players coached by Josh Lowe. Brandi Lowe will be the Team Mom.

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – 19 players coached by Kevin Green. Becky Johnson will be the Team Mom.

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – 21 players coached by Steve Dobbins. Tawnya Vier will be the Team Mom.

Opening Day Ceremonies will be held August 19.

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**Cheerleading Update**

Update provided by Tawnya Vier. Becky Johnson is coordinating team pictures to be taken on Opening Day. Three sealed bids will be requested from Special Moments, Buzz Photos, and the new Photographer in Celina. Registration was held in July at a cost of \$25.00 per cheerleader. Uniforms are provided by Celina Sports at the cost of \$100 per cheerleader and include top, skirt, bloomers, pompoms, socks, monogrammed back and a megaphone. Each cheerleader was fitted separately and required to make a deposit of \$50 payable to Celina Sports.

Cheerleading is conducting a fundraiser by selling candles for \$10 each. The proceeds for this fundraiser will go towards the remaining balance for each cheerleader's uniform. This is not a GYA sponsored fundraiser; however, the Board has approved the fundraiser and the proceeds as promised to each cheerleader. Each cheerleader must sell 10 candles in order for the remainder to be paid on their uniform.

A discussion was held on how fundraisers should be conducted in the future and the process in which they are approved. A motion was made by Sara Price and second by Lauren Rogers to amend the by-laws to clarify the difference between GYA sponsored fundraisers and individual team fundraisers. All approved. None opposed. A draft of changes to the by-laws will be made available at the next GYA monthly meeting.

A suggestion was made to contact Mr. Jim's and Landmark Bank for mini-footballs to be used by the cheerleaders to throw in the crowds each time a touchdown is made.

A discussion was held to re-address the procedures and requirements for submitting sealed bids and why this was necessary.

The 2006 GYA Cheerleaders include:

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – 17 players coached by Linda Rolison

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – 12 players coached by Tawnya Vier

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – 7 players coached by Stephanie Elvington

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**Baseball Update**

Updated provided by Shari Meyerdirk at the request of Terry Carr who was unable to attend the meeting. There is a Fall Baseball League starting in Celina and Gunter teams have been invited to participate. In order for our players to participate, insurance in the amount of \$25 per team must be paid by GYA. There is the possibility of a 7&8 year old team forming, but nothing is definite at this point. A 9&10 year old team has been formed by Thomas Rolison. There are no plans to send an 11 & 12 or 13 & 14 year old team. There is a team cost of \$425 to play in this league. A request was made that GYA cover 50% of this cost. Discussion was held. Elizabeth Kulbeth made a motion to pay the \$25 fee for insurance per team with a second motion by Lisa Watson. Third motion by Stacie Hunsaker. All approved.

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None opposed. A motion was not made to pay 50% of the entrance fee because there was no open registration and the registration fee is not coming in to GYA. The registration fee will have to be divided evenly among the players on the team and include the cost of a jersey. Discussion included the start up of a Fall Baseball league in Gunter for next year. Everyone was in agreement that this should be looked in to for next year. Josh Lowe will submit a write up for the 7&8 Boys All Star season for the next GYA newsletter.

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**Softball Update**

No update provided.

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**Little Dribblers**

Update provided by Elizabeth Kulbeth. There was a 9&10 girl's team that participated in the MYLB by playing in three tournaments this summer. The girls did extremely well. Elizabeth will submit a write up for the next GYA newsletter.

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**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Update**

Updated provided by Lauren Rogers. There was a 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade girl's team that also participated in the MYBL tournaments this summer. Registration for the 2006 – 2007 season will be conducted in October. Practices will start in November and games will start in December.

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**Track Update**

Updated provided by Sarah Price. The track meet held in June was a complete success. Many people volunteered their time including parents and coaches from other towns. The track meet generated approximately \$1,000. The next track meet hosted by GYA will be on June 23, 2007. Sarah asked everyone to mark their calendars and volunteer for the meet as many people are needed to run the events. Sarah will submit a write up for the next GYA newsletter.

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**Open Agenda**

Greg Pecina will research a League of Umpires for Baseball and Softball in order to be prepared for the next season.

Motion made by Jim Bob Willard to move the location of meetings to the Elementary School cafeteria and to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. Second motion was made by Sarah Price. All approved. None opposed. Sandra Yansky will discuss the date change with Cheryl Cohagen as meeting date was previously approved.

Please note: The Gillespie's have offered Cub Zone as the continued meeting place for GYA without hesitation. They feel strongly this is their contribution to the community. However, the consensus among those present was that GYA was infringing on their personal business and the elementary school would be a more neutral location.

Sandra Yansky discussed the next GYA newsletter and asked for people to submit articles / pictures in time for the newsletter to be distributed by September 1.

Lynn Fletcher expressed concern that GYA needs stability with the unexpected resignation of three officers and suggested that at least one newly elected officer make a commitment to a three year term. Bobby Elvington committed to a one year term. Shari Meyerdirk and Sandra Yansky committed to a three year term. These commitments will place the officer positions up for re-election based on the even / odd rotation stated in the by-laws.

The position of Treasurer is up for re-election; however the discussion was tabled due to the absence of Cherie Connor.

A request was made for policies & procedures to be developed for the handling of cash boxes. Sandra Yansky will draft something for discussion at the next GYA meeting.

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A request was made to announce on the GYA website that representatives are needed for specific sports and that elections be held at the next GYA meeting. Representatives are needed for Football, Basketball, Track and Baseball.

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**Meeting  
Adjourned**

Motion by: Greg Pecina Second by: Elizabeth Kulbeth

Meeting adjourned at 20:45PM

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Minutes submitted by Sandra Yansky – Secretary on 9/11/06. Motion to approve minutes made by Kim Bolin and seconded by Lynn Fletcher for approval.