



St. Alban Roe
Athletic Association

Date: October 1, 2025

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Mikesch Hall

Athletic Association Meeting Minutes

Attendees

Present Board Members:	Not Present Board Members:	Guests:
• Sally Tschopp • Eileen Sokolowski • Mike Barger • Jenny Rodgers • Dan Amiri • Butch Kenney • Vicki Helfrey • Katie Spedale • Meaghan Higgs • Mike Krieger • Mike Rethorn • Brad Stemler • Jaime Brennan • Patrick Sokolowski	• Fr. Philipp • Bill Rowe • Meg Lhamon • Drew Williams • Liz Kraemer • Kris Drake	•

Meeting Notes

- Opening Prayer
- Review Last Meeting
 - We had flyers and a presence at both Albanfest and Wildwood Days-both great ideas moving forward
- New Business
 - President's Report
 - Vice President's Report
 - Coach's requirements; what is timing for hand off to VP, Dan Amiri: +/- 3 weeks after registration
 - VP is responsible for making sure requirements are met (with Sally's help)
 - Treasurer's Report
 - Secretary's Report
 - Registration's Report
 - Basketball up and running with a few TSL issues
 - Website Administrator's Report
 - Equipment Report:
 - Soccer paint ordered for season
 - volleyball 2 older nets in Vicki's office (have extra foam and nets), new equipment not being put away correctly. Net system is "self storing"
 - basketball storage/use? maybe not put it in the vball closet due to coach prater uses the vball equipment during PE class in January and needs the vball equipment and vballs after vball season
 - replace vball and bball storage/nets. after volleyball season, vball equipment goes to the back of the storage, bball comes to the front.
 - right most scoreboard in gym not working-Vicki looking into it
 - Uniform Report:
 - Currently we only have 92 jerseys (most adult sizes), 180 kids signed up, current SAR jersey no longer exists because the vendor stated it was ordered over 10 years ago
 - Pricing out alternate jersey at Fishers, and other local vendors. Need to get on it very quick because we need a very quick turnaround. Katie Spedale said she can talk to Fisher's on pricing...she said around \$40 per jersey?
 - Do we just go ahead and get all the kids new jerseys? Because the sizes won't match up, how do we choose what teams get what? The mess would just be easier resolved to just order all new and the kids get to keep their "free" jersey.

- Registration accidentally asked for short sizes but shorts are not provided, parents have bought them on their own from an online vendor in the past
- jerseys must be reversible
- Bill will be asked what is the cost we have built into the budgets for uniforms. He would have to work with Dan with registration.
- Exec Board mentioned we are dealing with the preexisting high registration fee for basketball. So we can't raise the registration fees anymore but we need to still account for all of the upcoming expenses we are facing. We are going to need to really evaluate how we can move forward the most effectively. We are trying to set up a foundation for an athletic association that is supposed to last well into the future. As of right now knowing that uniforms have become a consistent cost and time burden across all sports we take the route of having parents purchase the uniforms outside of registration. With the idea the families can use them for multiple years. Then we do not have to go down the complicated road of workduty where the ideal outcome isn't guaranteed.
- Katie was told to talk to Katie Wegmann on official font, colors, and logos on what we are allowed to use. Jerseys need to be consistent with CYC rulebooks
- Need to work with uniform vendor on jersey #'s on teams
- Kids could get multiple years out of the same uniform?
- Talked about kids play with black shorts just to get through this year. Because registration already closed so we can't go back and tell the parents something different. Assuming we do not have enough money in the budget for both and prior years evidentially the parents were already buying shorts online or it was a mix match of different shorts from over the years?
- Fall Sports Report: Soccer
 - Going well,
 - Some rain issues, fields don't drain water very well
 - practice fields have lots of trash left over
 - Drew Williams is helping with training league this year
 - Prior Teen Cian O'Brian is no longer helping with fields bc going to college
 - Drew Williams will help and has recruited Drew Lash to help him as well
 - There has been no behavior issues of coaches and spectators

- Goals at Babler are the wrong size (too big)
- CYC wants to add an additional field size to conform to field size regulation

- Status on blocking off the lower lot during Saturday's games?
- Status on Field prep-assign/teach additional field liner? Drew Williams and Drew Lash doing it but going to train someone else to do it
- Fall Sports Report: Volleyball
 - net set up video coming soon
 - Can SAR Volleyball host an open gym for all SAR volleyball players? Yes! Great idea
 - There is a SAR club team that wants to practice on Sunday nights?
 - Old vball systems are gone, Eileen took them to Aalco for them to recycle so teams do not get the old broken equipment confused with new equipment

- Winter Sports Report: Basketball
 - Regular Registration ended Tuesday, 9/30, late registration is open until 10/13
 - 6th, 7th, 8th girls....each have 1 player registered & 0 coach....join forces with St. Clare?
 - Girls Coordinator and Training League Coordinator positions are still vacant

 - Equipment – review what's needed; wall scoreboards need cage around them like other parish gyms to prevent further damage?
 - 30 more athletes than last year, great!
 - Boys Coordinator could be Training League role coordinator could help coaches get started (rules, binder of info etc). It was stated for him to follow up with the executive board to go over roles, etc. Sally plans to meet with Dan and volleyball directors to help basketball get set up
 - A discussion occurred regarding responsibilities and support for the basketball program. The Basketball Director stated to the Basketball Boys Team Coordinator that the assistance from him was not required at this time. That she sees no need for any additional help in basketball that she has it all handled. That it is preferred to only have a director and a head official.

 - Concerns were raised regarding communication and collaboration between the Basketball Director and Basketball Boys Team Coordinator. The matter was discussed, and expectations for cooperative leadership were reviewed by the Executive Board and

Parish leadership.

- Spring Sports Report: Golf
 - Coordinator/Director position might be filled
- Spring Sports Report: Track & Field
 - submit budget report to CYC soon
 - goal is 30 athletes
- Notes:
 - Discussed maybe having an awards banquet or a Appreciation event for recognition for athletic association volunteers especially people like coaches. Have it early December. Or we can recognize them in the bulletin, Albanfest or in mass?
 - Soccer and vball seasons end in November so have it in early December?
 - It could be a Christmas Party/Awards Banquet for the Association but with the goal of thanking coaches, sportsmanship
 - Advertise in Bulletin? Albanfest? Mass?
 - Liz Kraemer 17 years with volleyball, Jim Griffith 30 years with soccer
 - Eileen ordered 2 Drive Slow signs and 2 kid alert visual warning signal green men in September to use for soccer safety for the fast cars
 - Dan brought up that the scoreboards might not be working
- Next Meeting is Wednesday, November 5th at 6:30pm
- Closing Prayer and Adjourn