

FRIENDS OF TORRANCE EXECEPTIONAL ATHLETES

Board Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2022

Members Present

Angi Bugg
Eric Bugg
Marcy Good
CherylN Rice
Morrie Rice
Jim Tuligłowski

Members Absent

Linda Barker
Carol Schreiner

Others Present

Debbie Reed
Charlene Walker

Meeting held by Zoom

Call to Order:

1. FTEA Board President Angi Bugg called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm
2. Quorum was established

Board Meeting Minutes Approval:

Motion to accept the February 8, 2022 minutes was approved (Jim T/Eric B)

President's Report:

1. Board President Angi Bugg introduced Debbie Reed to the board. Debbie will be attending FTEA board meetings representing the City of Torrance along with Charlene Walker.
2. Angi reported the basketball athletes are very excited to be attending the S4EA Basketball tournament this upcoming weekend (March 12) in San Diego.
 - a. 18 athletes will be attending
 - b. There will be 18 SoCal teams playing in this tournament
 - c. Tournament registration fees are \$10 per athlete. Motion to reimburse Charlene Walker \$180 to cover the registration fees was passed (MorrieR/EricB)

- d. There was a discussion about reimbursing 3 coaches for the cost of gas to attend the San Diego tournament. Angi asked both Charlene and Debbie to inquire with the City if this exchange of money creates any kind of liability.
3. FTEA will be hosting a basketball clinic on Sunday, March 20th. Michael Otera of PTNAA (Pediatric Therapy Network Athletic Association) will be running this clinic.
4. Swim Tournament: Angi said the swim meet was a great success. 25 swimmers participated and they were cheered and supported by a family and friends.
5. Charlene reported Pals bowling is very popular—the reservation spots fill quickly. There is demand for more reservations spots but Charlene is short one employee making widening participation a no-go. Charlene informed the board that people registered volunteer (s) can fill i with the City can fill the place of an employee. This could offer more sporting and social activity to more Pals members.**
6. Update re: FTEA publicity: With no sporting offered athletes with special needs during the past 2 years, Angi expressed at last month’s meeting concern about the community’s knowledge of FTEA’s existence.
 - a. Armed Forces Day Parade—there will be no parade this year closing this opportunity
 - b. The Daily Breeze---Jim was able to locate the names of several Daily Breeze reporters who write human interest articles. Jim offered to email these reporters to inquire if there is any interest in covering our upcoming basketball clinic on March 20th.
7. FTEA has still not received a refund from ICAN for the photo booth. The amount is \$433.91.

Vice President Report:

Vice President Jim Tuligowski spoke about the upcoming basketball tournament and clinic on Sunday, March 20th.

- a. Coach Menah Martinez believes we will have 3 teams made up of 18 athletes.
- b. Marcia Good suggested FTEA purchase a large ice chest/Igloo to hold up to 30-40 bottles of water and ice. Morrie and CherylN Rice offered to loan one of their coolers for this tournament trip to help determine the size and possible other needs before the board purchases a cooler.
- c. Basketball clinic: Jim informed the board the Pediatric Therapy Network Athletic Association intends to work one-to-one with our athletes on improving individual skills and game.

Treasurer’s Report:

1. CherylN Rice reported that as of today, March 8, 2022 FTEA has \$ 53,677.11 in the bank.

Website/Facebook Update:

Cheryln reported pictures have been uploaded on both FTEA website and Facebook pages. She suggested we take pictures at the tournament, the clinic and Saturday bowling so they can be uploaded and keep our social media active and current.

Old Business:

No old business

New Business:

Marcy suggested inviting one (1) team from a nearby city to play games of basketball, bocce, softball and soccer with our teams. This would not be a tournament-- just a couple of games. Charlene said she will ask Lakewood sports if they would be interested.

Next Meeting Date:

April 12, 2022

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:39 pm