

Cabot rec meeting 9/12/2017 minutes
5:30 to 6:30
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Vandalism:

Selectboard meeting last week Laura attended about putting a trailer on the rec field during the fall for soccer games - selectboard approved - selectboard is allocating funds for lights and what else needs to be one in the future at the rec field to help stop repeated vandalism. Tables being put on the roof, dirt bike tearing up parts of the side of the field (burnouts), and stuff leaving the pavilion without permission. Locks to the pavilion have been changed.

Budget changes. We have to develop a January 1 - June 30, 2018 budget ASAP and shortly after have to develop a budget for July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 as the town is changing fiscally.

Email from community member (their comments are in bold), rec's discussion not in bold.

PK-2 soccer be changed to PK & K and 1&2: Changes will be dependent on numbers year-to-year. Every year they are different and we can't plan next year this far ahead. Right now many of the 2nd graders are joining $\frac{3}{4}$ and some 4th graders are helping $\frac{5}{6}$.

getting 1/2's at least a couple of games besides and before the Twinfield

Tournament, No Tournament for $\frac{1}{2}$ this year at Twinfield: Every year we have tried to have a couple of games, but the closest we have found is Williamstown and the $\frac{1}{2}$ team is small at this time. Also Twinfield is not having a $\frac{1}{2}$ jamboree this year.

ensuring that all teams have at least a couple of practices on a lined field prior to their 1st games: This is always a goal, but like many things that are outdoors, weather plays a huge factor and definitely didn't help this fall with lining the field and availability of people lining. The hope is in the future having community members helping in late August. Due to the price of the paint and how long it actually lasts on the field while the lawn is being mowed, starting first of August is not fiscally responsible.

spreading out the referee responsibilities to all kids who are interested, using the ones who have taken the courses, and making sure the ones who are untrained at least study the manual or are mentored by a referee: Referee responsibilities are spread out amongst all MS and HS students that have reached out about reffing. Rec has no way of knowing who has completed a course unless students and/or parents reach out to the rec to let them know. Posts on FPF that soccer/basketball has started and let us know if you want to ref.

providing feedback for coaches that you have not asked to return the following

year: Typically if a coach wants to return they let the rec know at the end of the season. If we don't hear from them within one-two months of the season starting, we put out a Facebook and FPF post.

Consider creating a list of what players learn at each age group. For example- PK-K can pass, trap & dribble, 1-2 can pass, trap, dribble and shoot, $\frac{3}{4}$ can pass, trap, dribble with head up..... That way as coaches change, the kids of Cabot still come out with a certain set of skills that can be built on each year: With the success of varsity and that being the

ultimate goal to achieve within the school years, Lynn will ask varsity coaches to help develop a list. Also Lynn started this year of having $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{5}{6}$ to practice once a week together, and $\frac{5}{6}$ and $\frac{7}{8}$ to practice once a week together (as much as possible). This is helping develop a feeder program and coaches working together.

Next meeting date which will be Thursday, October 19th 5:30. Due to soccer season, please see posting prior to meeting in case the date needs to change on FPF, Cabot Connects, and in town.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Lehoe