

Ascension Athletic Board Meeting Agenda
November 9, 2023
6:30 PM
Location: AMR

Athletic Director: Teague Ridge
Assistant AD: Kristin Jansen
Secretary: Jessica Shaw
Treasurer: Brian Soverns

Members Invited: Fr. Robert, Teague Ridge, Kristin Jansen, Jessica Shaw, Brian Soverns, Chris Gregory, Dennis Jones, Dink Horstman, Dave Baker, Darla Radcliff, Pam Amon, Rick Hynes, Sara Morris, Nick Ising, Stephen Hoard, Katie Earley, Justin Amburgey, Theresa Garrett, Patrick Paris, Stephanie Koenig, Ashley Altman, Chris Neichter

In attendance: Fr. Robert, Teague Ridge, Kristin Jansen, Jessica Shaw, Chris Gregory, Darla Radcliff, Dink Horstman, Chris Neichter, Ashley Altman, Stephanie Koenig, Stephen Hoard, Rick Hynes

Sport Coordinators:

Girls Volleyball:	Kristin Jansen
Flag Football:	Ashley Altman
Track/Cross Country:	Dennis Jones
Soccer 3-8:	Nick Ising
Soccer JK-2:	Sara Morris
Girls & Boys 3-8 Basketball:	Dink Horstman
JK-2 Basketball:	Chris Neichter
Boys Volleyball:	Stephen Hoard
Swim:	Stephanie Koenig
Field Hockey:	Pam Amon
Baseball/Softball:	Teague Ridge
Golf:	Justin Amburgey
Tennis:	Katie Earley

Discussion Items:

1. Opening Prayer - Fr. Robert
2. Welcome new board members - Teague Ridge
 - a. Stephanie Koenig (swim coordinator)
 - b. Ashley Altman (flag football coordinator)
 - c. Chris Neichter (JK-2 basketball coordinator)
3. 11/6/23 Athletic board meeting was rescheduled to 11/9/23 due to 11/6/23 School Q&A meeting
4. 10/9/23 Athletic Board Minutes to Approve - Kristin Jansen approved by board

5. Girls Volleyball Recap- Kristin Jansen
 - a. 5th/6th grade #1 - 2023 city champions
 - i. Celebration on 11/26
 - ii. Dink will get tall ladder so he can get banner down
 - iii. Banner unveiling at fish fry vs. in-school pep rally. Board agreed to both.
 - b. All teams had a successful season
 - i. 5th/6th #2 city runner-up
6. Cross Country Recap - Dennis Jones
 - a. Does Dennis still want to do this since he's no longer involved in cross country?
Dennis was not present at meeting
7. JK-2 Soccer Recap - Sara Morris - not present at meeting
8. Flag Football Recap - Ashley Altman
 - a. 16 kids on team
 - b. Good season, only one loss
 - c. New flags
 - d. Equipment to be stored in gym attic, upstairs
9. 3-8 Boys & Girls Basketball Update - Dink Horstman
 - i. Rosters/Teams are finalized and practices have started
 - ii. No 7th/8th grade girls team (only girl who wanted to play will play at Edward)
 - b. Basketball Christmas Tournament - Teague Ridge
 - i. Ascension, St. Bernard, St. Athanasius will host games this year
 - ii. Dates: 12/18-12/22, 12/26-12/30.
 - iii. Schedules will be released once all teams are confirmed
 - iv. Kristin to send out sign-up genius for gate/concession
 - c. Ascension will have one intermediate team (all Ascension alum)
10. JK-2 Coed Basketball Update - Chris Neichter
 - a. 7 Ascension teams
 - b. Begins tomorrow
 - c. Games on Friday and Saturday nights (mostly at Ascension)
11. Masses during winter sports
 - a. Friday, December 8 – Immaculate Conception, Mass @ 7pm
 - b. Wednesday, February 14 – Ash Wednesday, Mass @ 7pm
 - c. Father approved practices occurring during mass times, as long as it isn't a holy day of obligation
12. Swim Update - Stephanie Koenig
 - a. Registration open; closes 1/15/24
 - b. 2 currently registered
 - c. Practice begins 1/7/24
 - i. Previous experience is not required; swim assessment will be completed for safety purposes; not highly competitive; low commitment; all encouraged to participate
 - ii. One practice per week (likely at St. X) and only one meet
 - iii. Stephanie will check into number of swim caps needed
13. Player/ Parent Contract - Teague Ridge
 - a. Approved by Father Robert

- b. Provided to winter sport coordinators
 - c. All parents, players, coaches sign; coordinators to keep hard copies
 - d. Has been rolled out with basketball already
 - e. Required for every child for every sport
- 14. Vote for GameDay/IT Coordinator - Teague Ridge
 - a. Discussed three candidates and their bios that were emailed prior to meeting; discussed tabling this item until later meeting, but decided to vote: 9 present and voting. 6 voted for interviewing three candidates at a future meeting and 3 voted for voting today based on bios; Will invite three candidates to a future board meeting for interviews. Board member to email Teague with any specific questions you'd like candidates to be asked
- 15. Fish Fry/Concession Role - Teague Ridge
 - a. Fish Fry Dates: 2/9, 2/16, 2/23, 3/1, 3/ 8, 3/15, 3/22
 - b. Sign-up genius will be sent for parish-wide volunteers
 - i. Will need lots of volunteer help
 - c. Per Father, will revisit concession/fish fry role in July
 - d. Discussed interested parties open to volunteer in concession prior to July
- 16. Sports Photography - Teague Ridge
 - a. Kristin connected winter sports coordinators with George Poole with TSS Photography at tssphotolou@gmail.com to coordinate and schedule winter sports photos
 - b. Talgrace created/will continue 8th grade banners
- 17. CPR Training - Dink Horstman
 - a. Date/Time: undecided
 - b. Chris Neicter stated he could provide training for \$18-20 per person
 - c. Discussed offering to parish members in addition to athletics and having parish assist with cost
 - d. Father asked that it be included in the bulletin to gauge number of people who are interested and then we can discuss scheduling
- 18. Athletics Team Shop - Kristin Jansen
 - a. General athletic wear team shop currently open through Kratz
 - b. Closes at end of day 11/21/23
 - c. Items will be delivered to students at Ascension prior to Christmas break
 - d. Kristin will send reminder
- 19. Sports Blessings - Kristin Jansen
 - a. Winter Sports - January 6th & 7th
 - b. Spring Sports - April 13th & 14th
 - c. Summer Sports - June 8th & 9th
- 20. Highlighting Ascension Athletics
 - a. Coordinators continue to email ascensionsocialpics@gmail.com to highlight Ascension athletics on social media
- 21. Miscellaneous - all
 - a. Tony Forns is chair of building and grounds. With Dennis no longer on staff, reach out to Tony if we need items addressed for athletics. (copy Teresa and Terry).

- b. Need to clarify language in draft bylaws regarding definition of quorum; will discuss at next meeting

Amendment per Fr. Robert: for clarification purposes, as with all athletic board positions, the concessions coordinator role will begin in July regardless if the current person remains or a new person begins in the position. The board will repost the position in late winter or early spring.

Next Meeting: December 11th at 6:30pm in AMR