

Ascension Athletic Board Meeting Agenda

February 6th, 2024

5:30pm

Location: Adult Meeting Room

Executive Committee Members:

Athletic Director: Jose Vega

Secretary: Jessica Shaw

Treasurer: Brian Soverns

Game Day Coordinator: Emily O'Daniel

At Large Member: Darla Radcliff

Members Invited: Fr. Robert, Jose Vega, Jessica Shaw, Brian Soverns, Emily O'Daniel, Chris Gordon, Darla Radcliff, Teague Ridge, Kristin Jansen, Chris Gregory, Dennis Jones, Dave Baker, Pam Amon, Rick Hynes, Sara Morris, Dink Horstman, Nick Ising, Stephen Hoard, Justin Amburgey, Theresa Garrett, Patrick Parris, Laura Ridge, Stephanie Koenig, Ashley Altman, Chris Neichter, Sarah Amback, Nicolette Baines

In Attendance: Jessica Shaw, Chris Gregory, Sara Morris, Jose Vega, Chris Neichter, Nicolette Baines, Ashley Altman, Father Robert, Darla Radcliff

Unable to attend: Stephanie Koenig, Laura Ridge, Brian Soverns, Nicolette Baines, Sarah Amback, Nick Ising, Kristin Jansen

Sport Coordinators:

Girls Volleyball-	Kristin Jansen
Boys Volleyball-	Stephen Hoard
Girls Basketball (3 rd -8 th)-	Dink Horstman
Boys Basketball (3 rd -8 th)-	Open
JK-2 nd Basketball-	Chris Neichter
Flag Football-	Ashley Altman
Track-	Dennis Jones
Cross Country-	Nicolette Baines
Soccer (3 rd -8 th)-	Nick Ising
Soccer (JK-2 nd)-	Sara Morris
Swim-	Stephanie Koenig
Field Hockey-	Pam Amon & Laura Ridge
Baseball/Softball-	Teague Ridge
Golf-	Justin Amburgey
Tennis-	Darla Radcliff
Spirit-	Sarah Amback
Concessions Coordinator	Chris Gordon
Fish Fry Coordinator	Kris Bates
At Large Members: Chris Gregory, Dave Baker, Rick Hynes	

Discussion Items:

1. Youth ministry activities

- a. Volleyball banner ceremony during fish fry March 14 7pm. Father wants to do a gym blessing at that same time. Father will contact Lynn who coordinates the fish fry adult volleyball to let her know that we will be doing these two items and need about a 20 minute break between games
- b. Father wanted to emphasize our mission as a youth ministry
- c. Championship teams can be invited to a mass for a blessing (before or after the championship)
- d. Prayers before or after games and practices
- e. Occasional donuts or sandwich Sundays for athletics

2. Boys volleyball evaluation

- a. Monday boys volleyball evaluations begin. Unbiased outside evaluators are coming in and will provide their recommendations to the coordinator.
- b. Saint Albert's wants to rent gym space for boys volleyball (this season)
- c. Jose mentioned his company is renting the gym space as well for a recurring activity. Internal schedules will get preference to rentals

3. Budget 2025-

- a. Brian is out sick. We will look for a budget spreadsheet from him for coordinators to complete in advance of next meeting for approval.

4. Communication of purchase of handball for sports after mass skipped for this meeting

5. Communication of how to get refresher for safe environment skipped for this meeting

6. Communication of complaints received for basketball JK-2 regarding hours of games, evening of Friday and Saturdays

- a. Jose would like to have a separate sports scheduling meeting in April to discuss all sports schedules.

7. Ongoing/next sport needs

- a. Jose would like to discuss tryout policies and procedures at March meeting.
 - i. Discussed Nick's message about soccer numbers for 3rd and 4th. Either too many numbers for 1 team or not enough numbers for 2 teams, with many kids playing club who will miss occasional games. The preference of most at the meeting was to combine into one team.
 - ii. Jose discussed his preference for larger teams as it allows for scrimmages during practice, competition within team, and accounts for kids who will miss for club, illness, injury etc.

8. Other Items:

- a. Was brought up that the information coming in Band is too much so important information gets missed. Request to limit discussion about meeting items within band, and instead hold those discussions for meetings.
- b. Nicolette requested more visibility to documents (i.e. bylaws, policies)