

**MINUTES of Deep Fork Valley Football Association
Meeting**

**Meeting date:
9/7/2011**

- 1) **Call to order:** A regular meeting of the DEEP FORK VALLEY FOOTBALL LEAGUE was held at 11201 Northeast 23rd Street, Nicoma Park, Oklahoma on September 7, 2011. The meeting convened at 6:30PM, President Ty Norton presiding.
- 2) **Members in attendance:** Bethel, Blanchard, Chandler, Choctaw, Guthrie, Harrah, Jones, Luther, McLoud, Meeker, New Castle, CNP, Noble, Prague, Seminole, Tecumseh. **Members not in attendance:**
- 3) **Reading of Previous Meeting Minutes:** The Minutes from the 6-18-11 and 8-17-11 meetings were approved.
- 4) **Officers' reports:**
 - a) **President:** Ty Norton opened meeting
 - b) **Vice president:** Nothing new to report
 - c) **Secretary:** Minutes approved
 - d) **Treasurer:** No Change
- 5) **Committee reporting:**
 - a) **Bylaw Committee:** Bryan Chamberlain, David Kizer - Bylaws were voted on and approved.
 - b) **Rules Committee:** Shawn South, Chris Hammons, Gary Knowles – Presented a copy of the rule changes that were voted on and approved during previous DFVFA meetings. The committee is currently updating the official DFVFA rulebook. Estimated time of completion is before the first game of the season.
 - c) **League Development:** Ty Norton, Thomas Palmer, Tim Kinnamon, Tyler McGinnis – Nothing new reported
 - d) **Schedule/Referees:** Mike Kiesel, Tim Kinnamon, Jason Easley, Bryan Chamberlain - Nothing new reported
 - e) **Post Season:** Mike Kiesel, Justin Nelson, Brian Wilson, Dan Sharp -
 - i) CNP discussed his concerns with the leagues current trophy costs and the leagues overall trophy policy. Lengthy discussion was held concerning “A” bracket trophies and “B” bracket awards.
 - (1) DFVFA policy for trophies concerning the 2011 season are as follows:
 - (a) The 1st and 2nd place team in each division (East and West) will receive a trophy for their exceptional performance during the regular season of play.

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- (b) Tournament trophies will be awarded to any team that makes it to the third round of the tournament on the “A” side bracket. That equates to the tournaments 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place teams receiving a trophy for their exceptional performance during tournament play.
 - (c) Participation trophies will be provided to the 2nd grade age division only.
 - (d) Medals will be awarded to all other teams regardless of their success in the tournament. The “B” bracket 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place teams will receive a higher quality medal.
- ii) Lengthy discussion was held concerning the All-Star Game.
- (1) Ty Norton opened discussion by asking for each associations commitment in regards to all-star game participation. The following 4 associations declined the invitation to participate: Prague, Tecumseh, CNP, and Bethel.
 - (2) It was determined that there will only be 4th, 5th and 6th grade teams participating in the All-Star games. There will not be any exhibition games supported by DFVFA involving the 2nd and 3rd grade all-stars.
 - (3) A motion was made and passed to lower the voting requirement per game from 5 players to 4 players. Opposing coordinator is now only required to report their vote on 4 players. The all-around player position was dropped. The following four positions are now required to be selected: offensive lineman, defensive lineman, offensive back, defensive back.
 - (4) A motion was made and passed that non all-star participating associations (Prague, Tecumseh, CNP, and Bethel) will not vote for all-star players during their games. When a coordinator from an all-star participating association plays against a non-all-star participating association, the participating association is required to vote on their own all-star players for that week. This voting cannot be delegated to the coaches in the association. The coordinator for the participating association is the sole individual allowed to vote for their own association players.
 - (a) Newcastle expressed concerns regarding the effect that this new policy may have on the quality of the All-Star selection votes.
 - (5) It was agreed that further discussion regarding the all-star game would be postponed until the next meeting.
- iii) CNP asked for clarification in regards to the \$500 commitment fee that each association was required to pay this year.

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- (1) Tecumseh mentioned that the explanation they received was that this fee was going to be returned at the end of the 2011 season.
- (2) After a brief discussion, it was determined that the \$500 dollar commitment fee will now be used to cover each associations' 2011 league fees. This money will not be returned at the end of the season.
- (3) It was also clarified that the annual league fees are to be paid in full during the annual meeting that immediately proceeds the first regular game of the season. A set amount was not determined.

6) Old Business

- a) Choctaw asked for clarification on why the league is still maintaining the old and the new websites.
 - i) Several coordinators brought up their concerns surrounding Deep Fork Valley having two domain names (DFVFA.com and deepforkvalleyfootball.com) and how this will effect people trying to access the site. It was explained that having two domain names would not affect anyone's ability to access the website.
 - ii) Newcastle had already received permission to acquire software to keep scores. He wanted to bring it up again to make sure that this was exactly what everyone wanted to do. He also said that he will know exactly how hard and time consuming it will be to update the scores and the website after the first week.
 - iii) It was agreed that all game scores will be reported by the hosting coordinator each week via an email to scores@dfvfa.com.
 - iv) It was brought up that a lot of the information that used to be on the old website has been removed. The league archive data which contained all of the league standings, playoff brackets, and championship data from 2004 through 2010 was taken off of the website.
 - v) It was determined that the current officers and CNP would have access to edit the website.

7) New business:

- i) A motion was made to grant Luther an eligibility waiver to have a 6th grade player play down on the 5th grade team. Luther's 5th grade team only has 12 players. The 6th grade player is there to act as a backup in case there is an injury to one of their players. Motion passed.

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- ii) Seminole requested an eligibility exception for a player that is 5 days too old to play for the sixth grade team. This request was denied because DFVFA has a zero tolerance policy in regards to players exceeding age eligibility requirements.

- iii) A motion was made for DFVFA to tip the server at the restaurant. Motion Passed.

- iv) Next meeting will be held at the same time and at the same address on 10/26/2011.

- v) A motion was made to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.