Meeting of 9-21-09

Directors met at 6:30 pm. Discussion of problems with St. Matthias gym availability this coming weekend. They scheduled a volleyball tournament the same time that league games were to be played. The league games were double headers, and all tied together. St. Matthias AD consulted, and will change the tournament game.

Discussion of problems with MQS and St. Leonards returning score sheets. Possible loss of home games next year to avoid further problems. We have plenty of gym time for all games. Ken will speak with the AD's and hopefully get some cooperation.

Discussion of fees for BB. Will remain the same as last year.

BB meeting starts at 7.

Finance report by Dave. We pretty much stayed even with last year. Broke even on VB, revenue over expenses by \$1,000 for BB. Had less trophies to buy this year. Had roughly \$50K in revenue, \$49K in expenses.

Lisa continues to seek uniforms, shoes, for a soccer program in Haiti. HA sent over a lot of BB uniforms. She will be visiting in January and will take photos. (We can put those on the web.)

We have two new schools: St. Matthew, Oak Creek, and Nativity Jesuit. They are welcomed to the league.

Forms, entry fees, team committments due on September 30th. Bob starts the schedule work Oct. 1.

No games will be scheduled the week after Thanksgiving, but games will be scheduled on Jan 2 and 3. No games between Christmas and New Year.

Will get PPL BB rules, scoresheet, notes for scorekeepers, back on the web.

Bob discussed team splits in some detail. For 5th and 6th grades, if it appears that the teams are not evenly split, make adjustments early. Penalty for not evenly split may include losing home games for that grade the following year.

Discussion of host gym responsibilities: have first aid kit and blood cleanup package available, with ice packs. This is already in the rules, but not complied with.

If teams wear shirts under jerseys, they must be the same color as the principal uniform, and all players must match.

Discussion of implementing a 2 point and possession for all technical fouls. (No free throws on any technicals, just automatic 2 points and loss of possession. Motion made and seconded, to change the rule, for all grades, all technical fouls. Motion failed, 10 to 9 vote.

Brief discussion of change in dual participation rule. How will this be enforced. Tom Potts from HA said they implemented a suspension policy, if a player misses practices or games, they lose the chance to play for one or two games. One of the things this will open up is for parish teams to play in rec leagues, not as a parish team, but as a rec league team. This may get the students up to 35 to 40 games.

Bob took the tentative committments from each school. We are down to 149 teams from 155 last year, even with two new schools.

Discussion of changing the admission fees allowed for adults, which is currently \$1.50, to \$2.00. Last fee increase was approximately 2000.

After the meeting, it was discussed by the board, and on motion, it was unanimously voted to increase the fee allowed for adults to \$2.00, leaving it at \$1.00 for high school students and \$.50 for grade school students.