Downingtown Area Christian Sports League (DACSL) | Website: <u>dacsl.org</u> Meeting minutes from: April 18th, 2023 | Calvary Fellowship | Room 102

League Officers: Bill Mendenhall | President Dave Kelsey | Softball & Volleyball Commissioner Dick Pry | Basketball Commissioner & Treasurer Adam Udinski | Secretary

Attendance

- Brandywine Grace
- Calvary Chapel
- Calvary Fellowship
- Christ Church
- Christ Community
- EBBC
- Fairview
- Gateway
- Grove
- Hopewell
- Iron Works
- Moving Communities
- Providence
- St. Peters

As you read these minutes, we ask that you join us in prayer for our league: for health, good sportsmanship, and for people to experience the love of Jesus represented by the church through the gathering of these various churches and organizations on the courts and fields.

League Membership

As a friendly reminder, per league documentation, league membership is reliant upon active participation in both sports seasons and attendance of league meetings with some regularity. Whenever the league gathers at the end of the month, whether virtually or in person, please do all that is in your power to ensure that at least one (1) representative from your church/organization is present. Please reach out to any of your league officers with questions or concerns, and if any in your organization need to be added to league communications, please email Adam (<u>audinski@gmail.com</u>).

Treasury

As a reminder, please send all payments to Dick Pry at the following address:

Mr. Dick Pry DACSL Treasurer 588 Wellington Square Apt. 408 Exton, PA 19341

Alternatively, you can send league payments via Venmo to <u>@Richard-Pry</u>.

After receiving many of the softball season payments, the league finances remain in good standing (*see Softball section for league dues information*).

Prior to the beginning of April's meeting, the following churches *had not yet paid* their 2023 league participation fee of \$100:

- Christ Church
- Covenant Fellowship
- Iron Works
- Mission Community
- Moving Communities to Christ
- Providence

• St. Matthews

If your church/organization has paid their dues but is not listed above, please contact Dick (richardkpry@gmail.com).

Winter | Basketball

An undefeated Covenant Fellowship got upset in the first round, as did the #2 seed (Hopewell), which resulted in two 5-7 teams facing off in the title game. Congratulations to **East Brandywine**, who beat St. Elizabeth to win the 2023 league title!

Thanks to all who participated for another clean season without any major issues - in particular, no sportsmanship issues. Let's maintain that spirit!

Winter | Volleyball

It was a clean sweep at the top for **<u>East Brandywine</u>**, who captured the A division title, while <u>**Gateway**</u> won the B division. Great work!

Those present reiterated the shared appreciation (in particular, the A division teams) for the separation of the two divisions, which created better competition throughout the season. We'll plan to continue those efforts for the fall season.

It was mentioned that there was a bit of an odd playoff format situation in the first round where the top two seeds squared off and left the bottom two seeds to play against each other.

Spring | Softball

Thanks to Dave Kelsey, the initial (and first revision of the) schedule has been sent out to all captains/coaches. At April's meeting, all scorebooks, softballs, and paperwork was distributed. Reiterating season costs:

- \$350/team season fee (with a \$50 discount offered to teams represented by at least one team member at the field cleanup day)
- \$25/umpire game fee (with a \$50 total for finals as there are two umpires)

Further reiteration: it is the home team's responsibility to provide a new game ball, while the visiting team will provide a backup ball that is at least in good condition, if not new.

Dave is attempting to secure Lambert Park for league usage on Monday nights. If we are able to secure Lambert, Dave will issue a revision to the schedule, which will likely include A division games moved to Lambert.

Towards the conclusion of April's meeting, we engaged in a fair amount of discussion regarding clarification of rules, etc. If you need any further clarifying, please see Dave's latest schedule revision as it always includes tabs at the bottom with league rules linked. Please also remember that any questions/issues should be addressed and/or clarified with the opposing captain and umpire prior to the start of each game (i.e. the need for courtesy runners, etc.)

Fall | Volleyball

There are no updates at this time regarding fall volleyball.

League Calendar

The league will not meet in May. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 27th at 8:30pm (please note the later start time) in Room 102 of Calvary Fellowship. Room 102 is located down the right-side hall, past Kidz Town Village, on the west (rear) side of the building. As stated before, please do all that you can to ensure that at least one (1) representative is present for your church / parish / organization. A special thanks to CFC for hosting us!

The DACSL meets the last Tuesday of each month (unless otherwise noted). Please also note any church/organization wishing to participate in the current or upcoming DACSL season, in any league, commits to do their due diligence to have at least one (1) representative present at each league meeting. Churches/organizations that fail to have at least one (1) representative present for at least four (4) season meetings will not be guaranteed participation rights for the following season/league year and will be subject to a majority vote for the following season's inclusion.