

Caroline Cavaliers Football Club

Meeting Minutes

May 27, 2025

Attendance: Aimee Fletcher, David Fletcher, Anna Porter-Toure, Leissa Richardson, Niki Abel, Butch Allison, McKenzie Allison, Coach A, Coach Ty, Coach Josh Pritt, Coach Aengus Channon

-501c3 status – 990N has been filed for fiscal year August 2023 – July 2024

-Club Officers – Aimee Fletcher – President, Dan Marks – Vice President, Secretary - vacant, Leissa Richardson – Treasurer, Laura Marks – Fundraising & Sponsorship Director, vacant – Team Meals Director

-Meeting called to order at 6:08 pm.

-Motion to approve April 2025 meeting minutes made by McKenzie & seconded by Leissa. All in favor.

-Team Meals: The game schedule has been released. We can begin coordinating sponsors for team meals.

-Other Committees needed:

- Game Day Crew for home games – We need a leader for the Game Day Crew. We still need a replacement camera so that we have a backup. For the game day tasks, we could do a Signup Genius (chain crew, tunnel, cold spark machine, smoke bombs, camera operators)
- Banquet Committee – to be established by 11/2025.

-Fundraisers:

- Flamingo Flock – Heather Balko has lead the traveling flamingos to 11 participant's houses. So far, \$225 has been collected.
- Car Wash/Fish Fries: Many coaches are not available for the 5/31 car wash. They would like to reschedule to 6/14 or 6/21. Aimee will contact Advance Auto to see if one of those dates work. The second car wash is scheduled for 7/26. We need at least 5 adults to support: 2 on fryers, 1 food prep, 1 collecting food payment, 1 collecting car wash payment. Aimee will do the

grocery shopping. We will provide hotdogs, chips and fruit snacks to feed the players. Additional posters are needed for the players to bring in customers. Some of the older ones are very worn out.

- Caroline Logo Stencil: Ready to use. It was suggested to reach out to neighborhoods with sidewalks first (Belmont, Ladysmith Village, Pendleton).
- Golf Tournament – Valentina has agreed to lead this effort. It is typically held in early August. Valentina will reach out to Mattaponi Springs to set a date.
- Corporate Sponsorship: Apex Physical Therapy and Ferber Automotive have renewed their sponsorship. Luck Stone is a possibility; Laura will follow up with them. We are waiting to hear back from Drainfield Solutions. After Hours Concerts is giving us a package to auction. We have contacted Green Top for donation; Laura will follow up with them. Letters have been sent to numerous local businesses. Butch and Niki will follow up with calls/visits.
- Double Good Popcorn: Easy fundraiser. Only runs for 4 days. Coach A thinks July will be the ideal time to initiate this.
- Stadium Chairs?

-Grants:

- The Caroline County Foundation – We were awarded \$1000 toward replacing the sled dummies! Leissa has offered to recover them with vinyl, saving the Club significant funds.
- REC – Power of Change – opens in June, due by August 10th. The coaches think we should apply for grant money to purchase helmet and shoulder pad repair kits.
- Dominion Power – We will look into their grant process too. It opens August 4th.

-Treasurer's Report: April beginning balance = \$8,383.64 and ending balance = \$2606.72. The check for the red jerseys has cleared. There are still four red jerseys that need to be ordered. The new 3XL numbers appear to not have been ordered.

-Projects:

- Fueling Station for the players does need regular restocking. Coach's suggestions: Nature Valley granola bars, peanut butter cracker packs, protein bars, slim jims, applesauce squeeze packs, peanuts, yogurt, individual bags of trail mix, deli protein packs (like P3). Gatorade powder in cans to make in bulk. An Amazon Wishlist has been shared to help keep the fueling station restocked. The Wishlist includes snacks, Gatorade, laundry products & cleaning supplies. We will recirculate the wishlist. A suggestion was made to create a list of items for people doing regular grocery shopping (not using Amazon). This can be posted on Facebook and our website.

-Upcoming Events:

- **6/14 or 6/21** – Car Wash & Fish Fry @ Advance Auto Parts 11-3 pm. All players are expected to participate & we need adult help, as well.
- **6/02/2025 – 6/26/2025** – Summer Practices
- **6/02/2025** – 7v7 @ Atlee 6-8 pm
- **6/09/2025** – 7v7 @ Atlee 6-8 pm
- **6/16/2025** – 7v7 @ Atlee 6-8 pm
- **6/22/2025 – 7/05/2025** – VHSL Dead Period
- **7/07/2025** – 7v7 @ Atlee 6-8 pm
- **7/14/2025** – 7v7 @ Atlee 6-8 pm
- **7/18/2025** – Friday Night Lights 7 pm – JV will play first; will also include CMS team
- **7/21/2025** – 7v7 @ Atlee 6-8 pm
- **7/26/2025** – Car Wash & Fish Fry @ Advance Auto Parts 11-3 pm. All players are expected to participate & we need adult help, as well.
- **7/28/2025** – Equipment Distribution 5-7 pm
- **7/29/2025** – Equipment Distribution 5-7 pm
- **TBD** – Golf Tournament
- **8/09/2025** – Scrimmage vs St. Michaels @ home 11 am – Varsity only
- **8/21/2025** – Scrimmage vs Patrick Henry @ home 6 pm – JV & Varsity
- **8/28/2025** – First Varsity home game

-New/Ongoing Business:

- JV lockers – They have been completely built. Maintenance is waiting for Josh to mark his desired placement so they can be anchored in place. He promised it would be done this summer.
- Status of football pants order & 3XL red jerseys – still not received. Aimee will follow up with Bill at BSN.
- The date of the Team Camp this summer is still not determined. Coach wants to host a 3-day, early morning camp @ home in mid-June. He is working with LT on dates.
- Sled dummies were vandalized on the practice field. The padding was sliced open. They are only somewhat usable. With the damaged padding it is difficult for the players to hold them in the appropriate place. The dummies are replaceable, but will cost around \$3000. Leissa looked at them and can recover them with vinyl.

- Sound system for press box/announcer's booth? Niki pointed out how bad the audio is and how hard it is to hear. We can look into what it would cost to replace with good equipment.
- Practice & game field hazards – Coach Pritt brought up the poor condition of both fields. It is largely because there is very little rest for those fields so they aren't getting proper maintenance (filling holes, leveling the field, & keeping grass/substrate healthy). Multiple players have sustained injuries due to the poor conditions. We are aware of prior plans to develop fields down behind the football field. Work began on them, but then stopped. The land that was cleared has since grown back up. Can this property be developed? It would allow for practice field rotation and rest periods.
- Player Food insecurity – no identified needs right now. We will remember to reach out to Ms. Kline from CHS, when needed. She runs a pantry of sorts out of the high school. Distribution is very discreet.
- Next School Board Meeting is 6/09/2025.

-Old Business:

- Contribution to uniforms – The invoice for 52 red jerseys has been paid. Four 3XL jerseys were not included. Aimee will follow up with Bill from BSN.
- Cavalier Youth Football Camp recap: Coach A had 27 participants come out. The football players did a great job engaging with the youth. This is an event that Coach wants to continue. \$455 was collected.
- ETA of uniforms: 3XL sizes in all the other colors have not arrived yet. There are also some pants that have not come in.

-Next meeting: 6/25/2025 at 6 pm at Roma's in Bowling Green.

-Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:33 pm by McKenzie, seconded by Butch. All in favor.

Minutes recorded by Aimee Fletcher.