



To: Dr. Charles Johns
Board of Education

From: Dr. R.J. Gravel

Date: Monday, March 28, 2022

Re: Facility Rental Agreements with Glenview Junior Titans Football

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the administration to enter into facility rental agreements with the Glenview Junior Titans Football during the spring of the 2021-22 school year.

Background

Board Policy 5030 authorizes school facilities to be utilized by outside organizations that are consistent with the purposes of the school, do not interfere with the regular operations of the school, and are of benefit to the district. The policy was recently revised in May 2020 and defined the consideration process for facility rental requests submitted by student activity groups, tax-supported entities, section 501(c)(3), and other community groups.

Most facility rentals come from not-for-profit organizations and tax-supported entities (e.g., elementary school districts, park districts). These requests are considered by the Associate Principals for Administrative Services (for Glenbrook North and Glenbrook South) or the Director of Operations / CSBO (for all other facilities), in collaboration with other administrators and stakeholders. The focus of this consideration process is ensuring that the request falls within the criteria defined within policy and that approval will not disrupt existing programs or the needs of our students and district-sponsored programs.

Earlier this month, we received a request from the Glenview Junior Titans Football organization (2010 Burr Oak Drive, Glenview) to use the football stadium during the spring months of the 2021-22 school year. The request (attached) includes the use of stadium and turf field when they are not being used for our high school physical education classes or athletic team activities. The Glenview Junior Titans Football program has served as a path for our community's children that aspire to be part of the Glenbrook South football program for several years. However, the organization is not presently eligible for rental as it does not "maintain current status pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code".

After discussing rental eligibility requirements with the organization's leadership, they have agreed to seek section 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service and will complete the initial filing in the very near future. (It should be noted that the organization currently maintains recognition as a charitable organization by the Illinois Department of Revenue, suggesting that the organization likely maintained 501(c)(3) status in the past.) However, recognizing that the processing of their application will likely take several months, we require the Board of Education's approval prior to entering into a facility rental agreement with the condition that this status is received before the next fiscal year. Given the Glenview Junior Titans Football program's positive impact on our school community, I recommend that the Board

of Education authorize the administration to enter into facility rental agreements with the organization during the 2021-22 school year.