# Avon High School Synthetic Turf Field Project

Charge items #4 & 5
Programming and Operations
Statement of Needs

## Charges of the Subcommittee

- 4. Assess and make recommendations regarding programming, operations and utilization of the site including, but not limited to, hours of operations. The impact on the residents in the surrounding area will be considered.
- 5. Present a final proposal, including cost, and an updated Statement of Need per Town Council Policy #13, for the consideration and approval of the Town Council and Board of Education.

## Lighted Facilities Policies

- Town of Avon
  - Sperry Park
  - Avon Middle School
- Other Towns

## Existing BOE Policies and Guidelines

- Board of Education policies 1330 and 7020 provides guidelines for use of BOE Buildings and Grounds.
- The Recreation and Parks Department is responsible for scheduling the community use of BOE grounds. The departmental permitting process follows the guidelines laid out in BOE policies 1330 and 7020.

## **Existing Categories of Users**

- Category I -Town and Avon Volunteer Organizations
  - Official town organization
  - Avon Parent-Teacher Organizations
  - Avon Recreation and Parks
  - Avon Youth Organizations
  - Avon Community Volunteer Organizations
- Category II- Religious and Not-for-Profit Organizations
  - There are charges and may be additional fees for services outlined in the policy

## Proposed User Groups

- User Group A: AHS Events; Games, Spirit Week, practices
- User-Group B: All Category I- Town and Avon Volunteer Organizations
- **User-Group C**: Category II-Religious and Not-for-Profit Organizations

#### Future Use Recommendations

- User Group A: AHS Events; Games, Spirit Week, practices-Monday - Saturday
  - AHS events continue full use until 5:00pm ability to bump Recreation
  - Up to 15 lighted events Monday- Saturday during the academic year
  - Events and use of public announcement system (PA) must end by 9:30pm
  - Lights must be off by 10:00pm for safe exiting and cleanup
  - Provide exception for 4 additional lighted events per year

## User Group A: AHS Lighted Events Detail

- Up to 19 lighted events per academic year. Subject to following
  - 4-5 Lighted Football Games
  - 5 Nights of Spirit Week Games in fall
  - 4-5Varsity Home games for other sports
  - Up to 4 extra games in event of multiple teams in the Play-offs

- User-Group B: All Category I- Town and Avon Volunteer Organizations
  - Lighted events Monday-Saturday
  - Events and use of PA must end at 7:30pm
  - Lights must be off by 7:45pm for safe exit and clean up
  - Anticipate 4-6 week impact in the fall
  - Anticipate 4 week impact in the spring with turning on progressively later because of daylight savings time.

- User-Group C: Religious and Not-for-Profit Organizations
  - Would have the opportunity to schedule around User Groups A and B as space allows.
  - Charges would be assessed based on 1330 and 7020 Policies.
  - Scheduling would be handled through the BOE to determine appropriate use and availability.
  - Event, lighting and PA guidelines follow User Group B.

# User Group B Sample Schedule 7:30pm ending

- 5:00-6:00pm: 4 teams of younger players, ½ field each
- 6:00-7:00pm: 4 teams of younger players, ½ field each
  - Or 2 teams older players ½ field each
- 7:00-7:30pm: short make up practice

#### OR

- 6:00-6:30pm: Teams A&B ½ field, 30 minutes
- 6:30-7:00pm: Teams A&B go to ¼ field and Teams C&D come in on ¼ fields
- 7:00-7:30pm: C&D go to ½ fields

### Or 8:00pm

- Provides 4 longer practices, more practical for older players
- An additional ½ hour with lights off at 8:00pm would allow for (8:15pm for safe exit)
- 5:00-6:00pm: 4 teams of younger players with ¼ field practice each
- 6:00-7:00pm: 4 teams 1/4 field
- 7:00-8:00pm: 2 teams older players ½ field practices

## Operations

- 1-2 Porto Potties and trash cans are on site for all users.
- During permitting process BOE and Recreation. reserve the right to require additional porto potties, dumpsters, or traffic plan.
- Use of Press box and PA require custodian be on duty. Use of any other electronic noise amplification equipment is forbidden.
- AHS teams have exclusive use of the scoreboard.
- BOE would provide users with a handout.

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