



Athletic Boosters Meeting Minutes September 19, 2011

ATTENDANCE: Officers – Cliff Surges, Lori Mooney, Betsy Sidor, Karen Camacho

Chair Committee Members: Liz Cook, Kim Corbo, Bob Gehr, Tracy Matysek, Debbie McAvoy, Sharon O’Toole, Deb Scarpelli, Michelle Silberfine, Dee Spirling, Jacqui Weber

Voting Members – Laura Alessio, Lori Berndt, Kathleen Burley, Chip Corbett, Paul Corbo, Marci Reinbrecht, Kathy Starr, Audrey Surges, Jill Traub

Members – Kim Anderson, Sue Bongiovanni, Chester Byrd, Tondra Byrd, Kim Deason, Pam Elliott, Rob Elston, Diane Espe, Lisa Fischer, Wendy Giacalone, Reggie Green, Gina Jackowski, Marsha Jordan, Lori Kane, Helen McMillan, Julie Mertz, Donna Powell, Amy Richie, Jennifer Scarso, Suann Shoemaker, Rich Spirling, Dorine Walker, Don Wallace, Shem Vanvlierbergen, Lisa Wenzelmen

Athletic Director – Dan Vosnos

Coaches in Attendance – Jamie Murray

President Cliff Surges called the general meeting to order at 7:22 p.m. Cliff explained that Dan Vosnos had a family emergency and would speak first so that he would be able to leave.

Athletic Director – Dan Vosnos

- **Activities for Homecoming Week** – Dan thanked the Boosters for all their help with Homecoming especially the work on the Block Party. He explained that there were many activities planned including home volleyball games on Tuesday against Prairie Ridge, home soccer games on Thursday against Prairie Ridge and a home football game on Friday against Cary-Grove.
- **Gold Rush** – Dan explained that he worked with Jacqui Weber to create Gold Rush t-shirts. He was hoping to get some money from the Boosters to get more t-shirts. Gold Rush would be a spirit section. He would meet with this group of kids monthly to bring back sportsmanship to the games. The goal is to get the students back to the games. He would meet with this group on Wednesday to review the rules. This group would not just attend football games, but all sports.
- **Baseball Update** – Dan explained that we were just into round 1 on the search for a new baseball coach. He began screening last week. Interviewing would be on Wednesday. Hopefully he would have a baseball coach in 2 weeks.
- **Soccer Hut Status** – Dan explained that he met with the structural engineer and there are lots of problems with the soccer hut. There were several things that do not meet the building codes. He was waiting for an estimate for the cost to fix the building and an estimate for the costs to tear it down. There were several options on the table. He expected to hear back this week.
- **Athletic Entrance Make Over** – Dan explained that there was a plan to install televisions at the entrances of the school. These televisions would show events happening in the near future. Lori Mooney asked if Dan needed 3 quotes which he said that he did. He was planning to go to EEC to discuss with them how they connect the computers to the televisions. A member mentioned that there was a company possibly willing to donate the televisions. Dan explained that he would need 3 or 4 televisions at least 42 inches.
- **Expenditures for Last Year’s Request** – Cliff Surges asked Dan Vosnos where we were in regards to last year’s requests. Dan explained that he had purchased about 75% of the items. Dan explained that the big item not yet purchased were for wrestling. Dan explained that he needed to talk to Cliff about it.
- **Wind Screens for Tennis** – Kathleen Burley wanted to state how thrilled the girls are with regards to the wind screens. Kathleen wanted to thank everybody.
- **Duffle Bags for Girls Basketball** – Dee Spirling had pictures of the duffle bags girls’ basketball got. The bags were not approved by Boosters last year. Girls’ basketball went out and got the bags on their own.

- Spirit T-Shirts – Jill Traub explained that at the Huntley’s volleyball game the Huntley students who wore special t-shirts were able to get into the event free. Jill said that if the student bought a t-shirt for \$10, they would be able to get into all home events free. Jill was surprised by the number of students attending the volleyball game. She asked if Jacobs could do something similar.

President – Clifford Surges

- Modify the Agenda – Cliff asked that the agenda be modified to ensure the cheer competition and homecoming got covered. He asked that we discuss those topics first. If time allowed, he would go back to the remainder of the agenda. A motion to modify the agenda was made by Lori Mooney. It was seconded by Bob Gehr. The motion passed unanimously.

Modified Agenda

- Cheer Competition – Jamie Murray – A cheer competition for K – 8 would be held at Jacobs on October 16. There would be approximately 90 teams of 20 girls. Last year the baseball team sponsored this event. This year the Boosters would sponsor it as it does the AAU tournament. Cliff explained that revenue from this event would be generated by 3 sources. The first source would be the fee the team pays. The second source would be the admission fee. The final source would be concession stand sales. Cliff thought that this could be a \$10,000 concession stand day for the Boosters. Jamie explained that we would need volunteers to work the concession stand as well as sell tickets, security, etc. He would be looking for about 50 volunteers. Jamie had the letter he sent home last year looking for volunteers from the baseball team. Jamie would forward the letter to Sharon O’Toole who would modify it to be used this year. Kim Corbo would forward the finished letter to all team parents to ask for volunteers from all the fall sports team. Discussion followed.
- Homecoming – Kim Corbo – Kim passed out a list showing the homecoming activities for the week. Kim explained that last year the Boosters teamed up with student council for the BWW Challenge Night. Kim explained that this was a huge success. Therefore, Boosters decided to team up with the school again and try to sponsor an event during homecoming week. The initial thought was to have a tail gate party on Friday. The school thought a block party would be better. Jacqui Weber created posters for the Block Party which student council would hang. Kim explained that there would be a band, games, face painting and food. Kim explained that there would be a book bag check area since the students would not have access to their locker. She also explained that she needed more bags games if anyone had some available to lend. Discussion followed. Kim would need volunteers for the Block Party and passed a sheet around. Another homecoming event which Kim highlighted was Rock the M.I.C. 2 at the Algonquin Library on Wednesday. The music department had student bands playing. Kim also highlighted the parade on Thursday night which began at the Algonquin Library and ended at the school. Afterwards there would be a football rally and the powder puff games. Kim also explained that on Friday everyone should wear gold. There would be a pep assembly at 1:30 with the Block Party following at 3:00 until 5:00 at the athletic parking lot. Lastly, Kim explained that there would be cheer competition amongst the grades. The cheerleaders at each grade level would create a cheer for their class. They would teach it to their classmates during Advisory. The grade level that cheered the loudest would receive a prize of \$100 from Boosters.

Vice President – Lori Mooney

- 3000 Dinner – The date for the 3000 dinner is March 10, 2011 at the Crystal Lake Holiday Inn.

Treasurer – Larry Mills (not present)

- IRS – Cliff Surges explained that the issue with the IRS for late filing has been resolved. Thanks to the efforts of Michelle Kembitzky and Rich Traub.

- Financials – No financial reports since Larry was not present. He had a family emergency which kept him from attending. Cliff Surges explained that the financial would be presented at the next meeting on October 17.

Secretary's Report – Betsy Sidor

- Minutes – Betsy presented the minutes from the meeting on August 15. A motion to approve was made by Debbie McAvoy. The motion was seconded Deb Scarpelli. A vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously approved.
- Voting Eligibility Requirements – Betsy Sidor said members need to attend 5 of the last 10 meetings to be eligible. Questions on eligibility were invited.

Adviser – Karen Camacho

- Nothing to report.

Concessions – Deb Scarpelli/Dee Spirling

- Concession Stand - The concession stand has made \$10,000 so far this year. Since the theme for homecoming was Neon Lights, glow necklaces would be sold in the concession stand at the game on Friday.
- Man Power – Sharon O'Toole/Angie Bindi – Only 4 spots were left to work the concession stand for the varsity homecoming game. For the sophomore homecoming game, all the spots to work the concession stand were filled. The concession stand have had volunteers from Dance, Cheer, Tennis, Soccer, Golf, Swimming, Cross Country, Volleyball, Softball, Basketball, Baseball, Football and Bowling. If a volunteer's student is in multiple sports, please list all sports when signing the list at the concession stand.
- Licensing – Karen Camcho – Nothing to report.
- Purchasing – Tracy Matysek – Nothing to report.
- Barriers around Concession Stand – Cliff said that all parties are aware of the problems the barriers around the concession stand create. Cliff explained that the problem would not be fixed before homecoming. The goal would be to fix the problem before next year. Two students hit their heads at the last game. A first aid kit would need to be available at the concession stand.

Special Events

- 3000 Dinner – Ellen Rood – Nothing to report.
- AAU Tournament – Kevin Krutwig – Nothing to report.
- BWW Challenge Night – Kim Corbo/Jacqui Weber – Jacqui Weber explained that someone approached her about BWW donating a percentage of sales after each football game since lots of students and parents go afterwards. Jacqui spoke with BBW and was told that BBW would support all the high schools through the BWW Challenge. BWW cannot justify allowing additional donations to Jacobs only. BWW would sponsor Jacob's basketball best seat in the house with a \$200 donation.
- Spirit Wear – Debbie McAvoy/Liz Cook – Nothing to report.

Communications

- Website & Email – Bob Gehr – Nothing to report.
- Alumni Database – Nothing to report.
- Newsletter – Tondra Byrd offered to chair the Newsletter committee. She would work with Bob Gehr on this.
- Team Parent – Kim Corbo – Nothing to report.
- Print Media – Jacqui Weber – Nothing to report.

Long Term Large Projects

- Turf – Coach Mitz – Nothing to report.
- Soccer Hut – Coach Capello – See Above.
- Baseball Complex – Nothing to report.

Old Business

- Sports Hall of Fame – Kathy Starr – Nothing to report.

New Business – Membership Input

- Funding Raising – Jacqui Weber – Many offers for fund raising opportunities come to the Boosters' mailbox. Jacqui explained that she discards any opportunities which do not have at least a 40% profit margin. Jacqui wanted to know the best way to get this information out to any team looking for fund raising opportunities. Cliff said that this should be a discussion with Dan Vosnos. Jacqui also explained that Jersey Mike would like very much to work with Jacobs. Jersey Mike would give Jacobs' students a percentage off on a certain day of the week based on the score of the game that weekend.
- Gold Rush T-Shirt – A motion was made by Tondra Byrd to approve up to \$1200 for gold rush t-shirts discussed above. The motion was seconded by Lori Mooney. A vote was taken. The motion was approved (14 yes and 3 no).

Motion to Adjourn – Made by Deb Scarpelli. Second by – Bob Gehr. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Secretary – Betsy Sidor

NEXT BOOSTER CLUB MEETING - Monday, October 17, 2011 @ 7:30 PM at the Jacobs High School Media Center. Committee Meeting at 6:30 PM.