

Booster Club Meeting Tuesday, May 20, 2014

Call to Order: 7:05 pm

Review of Members: by John Whittington

Present: Ruth Vetter, John Whittington, Chuck Parsons, Jean Noren, Paula Ziegler, Fred Taylor, Carolyn Clause, Dawn Makovsky, Jill Mueller, Lori Allan, Rick Kjolsing, and Todd Waterbury. New member 2014-2015 present – Shelly Weckworth.

Absent: Kellie Seiler, Dave Karge, and Darcy Anderson

MINUTES: Minutes of the January meeting reviewed – *M/S/P – Carolyn/Ruth*

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Checkbook: Current balance \$32,509.60. Available balance = \$28,681.20 after subtracting Kwik Trip fundraiser money.

- Memberships/Sponsorships – Deposited to date \$720 for memberships and \$4340 for sponsorships. Also have \$1,090.47 in donations.
- 2013/2014 Programs/Calendars = \$132.10. 1 bill and 1 check outstanding – should be close to break-even to end the year.
- Fall concessions - Gross \$11,566.67 with Net \$5,289.70. Winter concessions – Gross \$21,908.55 with net \$11,791.04. Spring Concessions – Gross \$5,173.41 with net \$4,270.72. \$600.00 Startup given 8-12-2013. The seasonal gross/net may vary slightly but final counts for the full year will be correct.
- Cougar Wear – Gross \$16,232.78 with Net \$2,325.77. Beginning inventory on cost basis = value \$7,087. \$300 startup money given to Darcia on 9-16-13.
- Cougar Cards – \$32,943 so far. Highest amount to date.
- Golf Tournament – \$3,506.75 net.
- Pack the stands – netted out to \$0 (balance paid out on 11-18-13).
- Kwik Trip Account - \$2,909.40 – this will be paid out to the choir.
- One NSF check received thus far for \$50.

M/S/P – Fred/Jean

REQUESTS:

1. **\$10,000.00** =Basketball Backboards/Standards. Review of Email vote results: 12 responses – all approvals. Request passed on 4-29-14. These will be installed later this week. Will be black with gold padding.
2. **\$4,560.00** = Student Council blanket buy-back. Buy 114 blankets from Student Council to get them out of their inventory and sell from the Cougar Den. Purchase blankets from the council for \$40.

M/S/P – Carolyn/Ruth

3. **\$1,000.00** = Wolverton Scholarships (\$500 x 1 boy and \$500 x 1 girl). Request to fund this perpetually beginning with 2013-2014 school year. Was previously funded by an endowment but the principal has been used up. Coaches nominate athletes for the award. Athletes must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and be good community members. It was proposed to tie this to a specific event in the future. We request the scholarship be re-titled “Wolverton Scholarship funded by Mankato East Booster Club.” *M/S/P – Fred/Paula*

REMAINING ITEMS APPROVED IN BULK - M/S/P – Chuck/Carolyn

4. **\$529.00** = Pole Vault Pole – Our longer pole has been broken and we've been borrowing for competition.
5. **\$1,600.00** = Baseball/Softball Items (\$800 each sport): Baseball - portable backstop netting replacement– incorrect winter storage led to damage and need to replace. Softball – 7x7 screen. Both = inside/outside hitting mats.
6. **\$2,400.00** = Football helmets. Football helmets cost approximately \$200 each. Will also need to purchase boys/girls hockey helmets (\$75 each) but will discuss that with the next school year funds.
7. **\$400.00** = Pole Vault = helmets and new climbing rope

TOTAL REQUESTS APPROVED = \$20,489.00.

PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ITEM NOT YET PAID - \$500 CONTRIBUTION TO GRAD PARTY.

Looking down the road - Items to review/approve in the future:

- A. **\$6,300** = Trophy Cases – for now just redo an old one.
- B. Track & Field/stadium item – **gate to “Throws” area – landscaping and steps = \$2500** – look for another “auction” special to get twice the value paid.
- C. Weight room improvements and additions.
- D. Quality 1 Hour projects (elevator wall - **\$4,000**, etc.).
- E. Football stadium area = **\$7500** for I & S design work. Mr. Dahline on board with items. Next step is to see if we are able to move forward. In the past, the district has covered engineering costs and then carried the loan for work to be completed. Work would probably be from summer 2014-2015.
- F. Baseball/Soccer improvements – this would work in conjunction with the improvements to the football stadium area. Current football bleachers would move to the baseball complex and the current baseball bleachers would move to the soccer fields.
- G. Press box Graphics = probably last on the list of priorities.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Program Books: Nothing new to report. Committee: Todd

Cougar Cards/Scarlet Saver: Darcy Anderson has taken over administration for now. Letters have been sent out to existing and new businesses. Have a return rate of about 35%. We need to help follow up with the remaining 65%. Options are – include with ad as is, Include with new ad, no longer included. Project needs to be completed in 3 weeks. Work with West and split the work. Timeline for work: 5/22 follow up on letters, 6/12 all offers need to be to printer (1 offer per sheet), 7/10 Proof ready, 7/17 Proof back to printer, 7/25 printing begins, August send Thank You's. West will pay for typeset if we will pay for printing. Typeset cost approximately \$470 (\$235x2). Carlson Craft charge to print \$826/school for printing and typesetting at 5800 cards/school. Current committee: Paula and Ruth.

Web Page/Facebook: Web page – no change. Committee: Jill and Darcy.

Golf Tourney: Tentative date set 9/21/14. Committee: John, Fred, Dave Drummer and Carey Hayenga.

Membership/Sponsorship: No updates. Committee: Jill, Lori, Dawn. DeDe Meyer will continue to assist off-line.

Cougar Wear/Cougar Den –\$16,400 sales: \$4,620 of sales made by credit/debit card with fees of \$149.00. Were able to donate items throughout the year and still show a profit. Donations are mostly “prior inventory” vs new inventory. Committee: Jean, Darcy, Arlin Penner, and Deb Rabenhorst.
Marketing: No update. Committee: Darcy, Jean, Dawn and John.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

Review of members/representatives for 2014-2015:

Ruth Vetter – Soccer

John Whittington – Basketball/President

Jean Noren – Swim/Dive

Paula Ziegler – Gymnastics

Fred Taylor – Volleyball

Carolyn Clause – Alpine Ski

Kellie Seiler – Football/Concessions

Shelly Weckworth – Tennis

Dawn Makovsky – Wrestling

Jill Mueller – Dance Co.

Lori Allan – Baseball/Secretary

Darcy Anderson – Hockey

Tomm Richards - Softball

Rick Kjolsing – Treasurer

Todd Waterbury – Activities Director

Open – Cross Country

Open – Golf

Open – Track and Field

NEXT MEETING: June 9. 8:00pm – WOW Zone.

ADJOURNMENT: M/S/P – Ruth/Shelly - Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lori Allan