

## Booster Club Meeting Monday, October 21, 2013

**Call to Order:** 7:05 pm

**Review of Members:** by John Whittington

**Present:** Ruth Vetter, John Whittington, Jean Noren, Paula Ziegler, Blaine Kolstad, Fred Taylor, Carolyn Clause, Kellie Seiler, Dawn Makovsky, Lori Allan, Dave Karge, Darcy Anderson, Rick Kjolsing, Todd Waterbury, Jill Mueller

**Absent:** Chuck Parsons

**Also Present:** Kari Eihlers, Owen Dundas

**MINUTES:** Minutes of the September 16th meeting reviewed – *M/S/P – Darcy/Jean*

**Guest: Owen Dundas – presented Schwan’s fundraiser opportunity:** Owen is presenting on behalf of Schwann’s as a Schwann’s Cares broker. A program would run 45 days at top rates = \$10 back for every \$25 certificate ordered and 20% of sales during that period. After the 45 days the group payback becomes 5%. Participating groups need a “captain” to organize the event. Shakopee Girls Fast Pitch participated as a TEST organization this summer and was able to raise \$2700.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

**Checkbook:** Current balance \$57,014.32. Available balance = \$52,321.52 after subtracting Pack the Stands money.

- 2013/2014 Programs/Calendars = \$4800 but no bills received yet.
- Fall concessions - Gross \$10,146.67 with Net \$8,715.65. \$600 startup money given to Kellie on 8-12-13. Some bills remain outstanding.
- Cougar Wear – Gross \$12,468.88 with Net \$3,317.99. Beginning inventory on cost basis = value \$7,087. \$300 startup money given to Darci on 9-16-13.
- Cougar Cards – \$31,809 so far. Highest amount to date.
- Memberships/Sponsorships/Bricks – Deposited to date \$390 for memberships and \$500 for sponsorships.
- Golf Tournament – \$3,101.75 net so far with some deposits still pending.
- 2013 Pack the Stands - \$4,692.80 net (included in account balance above). Some deposits outstanding but all bills should be paid. Once net is final it will be divided among the 4 soccer teams (MEHS Girls, MEHS Boys, MWHS Girls and MWHS Boys).
- One NSF check received thus far for \$50.

*M/S/P – Ruth/Blaine*

**REQUESTS:** Update on past request approvals – the canvas prints are up on the athletic side of the entrance. Enhancements to come – adding a black frame around/behind the prints to help offset them from the wall and conceal the brick. Check them out.

1. **\$1,500 (max approval sought) - V.E.X. Robotics Team – combined East/West.** There is currently no funding in place for this team. Group is requesting start-up funds. Both East and West Booster Clubs will be asked to contribute to develop this team for this season. In the future this group will

need to help with fundraising both on their own behalf as well as for the support of the Booster Clubs.

2. **\$1,200 – Homecoming Alumni/Hall of Fame** – Request for luncheon and other items. This is a standard annual request.
3. **\$2,000 – Boys and Girls Hockey Team Bags and Breezer Covers** – Team bags will be made locally with the vendor able to repair for repeated seasonal use. Both items will remain with the team and be assigned to players for seasonal-use. Total cost for both teams/both items is \$4,000. Teams will cover ½ of cost for items.
4. **\$1,000 – Boys and Girls Soccer Indoor Goals** – 2 PVO indoor Futsal goals (7x10 goal) for indoor skills work and can also be used by PE Classes. Currently using goals not intended for this purpose and they are outdated and in disrepair. \$900-\$1000/goal. Soccer will pay for ½.

**TOTAL REQUESTS ABOVE = \$5,700.00 max. M/S/P – Ruth/Fred**

Items to consider for the future:

- A. **\$2,445 – Jr High items - VB tops** – Black and gold (Qty. 90) – approximate cost \$1530 and basketballs \$915. Our Jr High programs are our feeder programs and they need an influx of funding to cover some of these items. Discussion was held and group decided to vote for approval of these items at this time. **M/S/P – Ruth/Darcy**

**TOTAL REQUESTS APPROVED THIS MEETING = \$8,145.00**

\*Update on Cougar Card sales rewards – This year's reward for selling 20 cards was a Cougar Sweatshirt – approximately \$1200 will be spent on incentives.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Program Books:** First bill should be coming in soon. Committee: Todd

**Cougar Cards/Scarlet Saver:** In good shape. Most cards are back. We should reach \$33,000 this season. Committee members for 2013-2014: Blaine, Paula and Ruth.

**Web Page/Facebook:** No update. Committee: Jill.

**Golf Tourney:** Should come in at about \$3500 net. There is some sponsorship money still to be received. Committee: John, Fred, Dave Drummer and Carey Hayenga.

**Membership/Sponsorship:** \$660 memberships and \$3,190 sponsorships. Committee: Jill, Lori, Dawn. DeDe Meyer will continue to assist off-line.

**Cougar Wear/Cougar Den** – Committee will be at PAC meetings as they are able to attend. Committee: Jean, Darcy, Arlin Penner, and Deb Rabenhorst.

**Marketing:** This committee would be very important in the implementation of Schwann's Cares should the group decide to move forward with this. Marketing group will meet to discuss and report back. Committee: Darcy, Jean, Dawn and John.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- BW's fundraiser – we did not win this one. East lost by 50 wings (about \$79). We did receive \$100 (as winner, West received \$400). Total awarded MEHS Booster Club from contest \$200.47 – football will receive \$50 of this amount.
- Chipotle would like to run another fundraiser contest between Mankato East and Mankato West. East is undefeated in this one. When available – please forward to everyone.
- Kwik Trip fundraiser – Music submitted their application 1 week ago and now waiting for a response. Rick will follow up.
- Apparel website – any interest in us moving forward with this? Darci recommends we have some sort of on-line option. Need to find something that is available long-term rather than the short-term options presented by many vendors.
- State Health Inspector – The inspection went well we just need to purchase upgrades for our concession stands and have 1 year to do so. Items required – digital thermometer to monitor meat temp (school will purchase) and a 3-tub sink for indoor concessions.
- Bond Referendum up for vote in November – viewed a short information video which is available on the school district website and received flyers.

**NEXT MEETING: November 18. 7:00pm – MEHS Library.**

**ADJOURNMENT: M/S/P – Darcy/Jean - Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.**

Respectfully submitted, Lori Allan