Minutes for September 9, 2024 Booster Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Attendees: Stacie Keller - Boys Golf Wendi Dexter - Spirit Shop

Mark Fada - Swim Erica Fritzsche - Women Wrestling

John Landers - Women Wrestling Kate Shaw - Boys Basketball

Kathy Jones - Cheer Toni Youkilis - Dance

Tanya Kaiser - Boys Soccer Sarah Upton - Girls Lacrosse Kelly Hoover - Boys Golf

Gilberto Castillo - Bowling Jackie Gibbs - Cross Country

Board Members Present: Andrea Peake, Kevin Cooney, Carl Hill, Courtney Woody, Julie Horton and Missy Dixon

Approval of Minutes: August 12 minutes were approved by Wendi Dexter and Kathy Jones

<u>Treasurer:</u> Carl reported - \$96,000 in bank in cash and \$6,000 in checks that need to be cashed. Concessions game #1 was a record night, \$16,000 in sales and \$5,000+ in spirit wear. Second home game, \$8,000 in concessions sales. Thus far, concessions have allowed for just under \$28,000 in revenue. Spirit Wear \$14,000 so far. Expenses and all bills are paid and caught up to date.

From August 1 to September 8 there is a net profit of \$6300 in profitability...off to a great start!

All Star Gaming Update = pull tab bingo tickets – 28 machines deployed. All machines are in active buying mode. A sales rep in Hamilton and Butler County is being added from All Star Gaming; their focus is to increase machines. They are hoping to be in the 40+ machines range by year 2025...this means some up front cost on buying machines but revenue has potential to be very profitable. Set up to be successful. Open for feedback on good spots to put the machines – currently they are in convenience shops and a few bars.

<u>Concessions:</u> Going well and very busy. Most regular season concession slots have been filled – if you are interested in doing any concessions for post-season sports reach out to Courtney. If anyone is interested in helping to plan and organize – reach out to Courtney and/or Andrea.

Spirit Shop: Off to a great start. Opened at JV football game this past weekend, made \$1300 in sales. Need to restock orders. New Beat West shirt will be ordered. A lot of volunteers have helped this year - thank you! Be on the lookout for the "Rehawk shop" – good/used spirit wear – to be sold at craft sales and others. If anyone has used but good condition spirit wear to donate, contact Wendy. Wendy had a team approach to inquire the potential to sell team spirit wear in the booster spirit shop. More discussions will occur on this but may seem like an option. Spirit shop will open for girls soccer this Thursday from 5-8pm. If anyone is interested in helping they can reach out to Wendi Dexter, Courtney or Andrea.

<u>Fundraising:</u> If your team has anything that you want advertised – let Julie Horton know directly. If your team has a social account – make sure you are connected. Kendra Scott wants to do a popup shop – checking on date but proposed date is October 11th – they will give 20% back in profit + 15% discount in purchases. Kroger community rewards – link Kroger customer cards to Boosters. Don't forget Shell gas station pump for Lakota East pump (on Cincinnati Dayton Road). THawk Hustle 5K– October 13 @ 8am – encourage team sign ups.

-Booster Bash – November 2 @ Boys and Girls Club (Reps will ask teams for donation – asking coaches to come) some fun activities will be planned. If anyone wants to help with planning, organizing or setting up the Booster Bash – please reach out to Julie and/or Andrea. Set up will start on November 1.

See cross country for T-Hawk Hustle event update

Membership: Memberships are going well. 2 new lifetime memberships were received since the last rep meeting. Team rosters were sent to all reps. Please let Missy know if there are any discrepancies. Please continue to push memberships with your team. Memberships may be purchased online at the following link, https://wedoauctions.com/tickets/lemembership/tix or the QR code. Reps - continue to promote membership, the board current policy will give \$500 if 50% of the team's roster are members and \$750 if 100% of the team's roster are members. (This may be different from previous communications but this is the set amount as determined by this board).

<u>Football:</u> Varsity is 2-1, 2-0 in GMC. Started off with a tough loss to Centerville 31-21. Followed that up with a hard fought win against Mason 20-13 and a thrilling overtime win at Hamilton Friday night 27-24. Both JV and Freshmen are off to great starts respectively record wise as well as in learning new systems and schemes. Next game for varsity this Friday night at home against Princeton. Freshmen play this Wednesday at Princeton at 6pm. JV plays at Princeton this Saturday at 10am.

<u>Cheer:</u> Cheer has been doing lots of positive signs and chalk throughout schools. They also created spirit signs and put on football player lockers. They are continuing to become more involved in ways to encourage school spirit and connecting with the teams.

Boys Golf: GMC last week, the team came in 4^{th} out of 10 teams. 1 player made first team all gmc -3 players made second team. At the Hagley invitational – team came in 6^{th} place out of 19, 1 player (sophomore) came in 2^{nd} out of 100 players!! Currently selling East tumblers as a fundraiser for the team. This weekend the team is traveling to Canton for a tournament. Sectionals are coming up beginning on September 25th.

<u>Girls Golf:</u> GMC's start tomorrow. Team is doing great! Was El Caporal Team of the week last week. Finished first over Oak Hills at Neuman. Senior Night was a success (1 graduating senior) and came in second in the match. Sectionals are coming up and will be played at the Elks this year!

<u>Girls Tennis</u>; rep sent in report but was not present. Played West tonight and won! Looking forward to the rest of the season. 4-1 in the GMC. Only loss is Sycamore.

<u>Cross Country:</u> -preseason invitationals, 3 meets (1 home). Boys and girls are coming up about 7th/8th out of 25+ teams. Springboro is coming up this weekend. After this the team is going to Louisville to race at a Trinity Invitational.

-THawk Hustle – 9 gold sponsors (Queen City is 1 gold sponsor), 1 silver and 4 bronze. Donations so far from: Donut Dude, Bibibop, AMC Movie Tickets + some cash. 47 people have registered as of today. Last day to register and get a free shirt is September 19. Final Forms has the correct link now (that was sent out today). If the players sign up and indicate which team they are representing, \$10 towards their registration goes to the team. Day of the event will need donations of water from the Boosters. No sponsors of food – may need some other food donations.

Boys Soccer: JV-2-1-1 (missed 2 games because of heat and will be made up soon.) Varsity – record is 3-1-1, (2-0 in GMC). Tomorrow's home game against West and Thursday away at Sycamore.

Girls Soccer: JV 3-3, one game canceled due to heat (may not be rescheduled). Varsity record is: 1-5-1, tough out of conference schedule. Exciting tie against MND to start the season! Several injuries on the team. Lots of GMC games ahead. West game on Tuesday is being rescheduled. Sycamore at home on Thursday.

Girls Volleyball: Played on Saturday against Summit Country Day went to 5 sets and won the 5th set and took home the win! September 10, East vs West and Future Hawks night game. Hawks for the Cure Game is Thursday, October 3rd vs Colerain (last year over \$6000 raised for Pink Ribbon Good). Raffle baskets – donations from the community and other businesses – silent action – 50/50 raffle – bake sale – shirt sales. Can preorder t-shirts but also will be available for purchase on the Wednesday/Thursday during lunch the week of the game – cost is \$20. All proceeds from shirt sales go to Pink Ribbon Good.

<u>Wrestling (Women):</u> Welcome to John Landers girls wrestling coach & Erica Fitzschue – quick report on last year's accomplishments – sectional champions in regional, placed 4th as a team. 5 qualified for regionals. 28th at state. Grand Marshall of Liberty Twp parade.

Team Requests:

- -70 dozen lacrosse balls for boys lacrosse team \$24/dozen \$1680
- -70 dozen lacrosse balls for girls lacrosse team \$24/dozen \$1680
- -dance looking for pom-poms need 22 sets (metallic black and white), 44 pom poms \$527.56 and a set of 3 pep rally signs double-sided (\$109.99) Total \$637.55 to be used at games and to take to comps/nationals (pom-poms are turned back in at the end of the season). Vote: approved.

If teams have request they need to email request to BoostersLakotaEast@gmail.com

Upcoming Events:

(1) T-Hawk Hustle – October 13 @ Lakota East. Registration link below: https://www.gohawksgo.com/athletic-boosters/lakota-east-athletic-boosters-5k-run-2/

T-Hawk Hustle 5k Run/Walk

(2) Booster Bask – November 2

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Next Meeting: Monday, October 14 @ 7pm in Room 200

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