

CANTON BULLDOGS



Athletic Boosters Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/14/17

In attendance: Kristen Maffeo, Kim Mackay, Donna Yong, Julie Albert, Colleen Brown, Jim Choquette, Jen Abbott, Nancy Milton, Danny Erickson, Carol Ciffolillo, Lauren Tourgee, Cheryl Cunningham, Craig Allen, Brett Burbank, Brian Fitzgerald, Derek Ghostlaw, Kate McNeil

<u>Financial Report</u>: Banquets - \$400 given to each banquet by Boosters. Can either submit receipt, or contact Julie to use the credit card if someone does not want to be out the cash and wait for reimbursement.

Julie will ask accountant how much of a balance we can carry over each year. We are in good shape now and Boosters should consider putting money into a CD. We need to discuss this at next meeting after Julie contacts accountant.

<u>Team Rep Update</u>: Kim Mackay has team parent confirmed for wrestling, girls hockey, cheerleading. Needs to hear from rest of winter sports teams. Jim Choquette will follow up with coaches to check.

Snack Shack - Thanksgiving is last fall event. Colleen, Rebecca Crimmins, Cindy Duffy, & Cindy Baran have committed for Thanksgiving, looking for 2 more. Nancy Milton and Lauren Tourgee will take it over post fall and coordinate for the spring. Julie received a list from Karen Harris about food to pick up. Danny said hotdogs would be a big seller. Craig will contact Dave Bohane to get a football person to sell programs. Donna will have sweatshirts, umbrellas, and blankets to sell at game.

*We are hosting the Hockomock track championship event. It is May 20th, or May 19th if it's raining. This will be a big event for snack shack. Night lacrosse games will be the only other events that snack shack should be open.

*Wrestling is grandfathered into selling food as their fundraiser for their program before meets. Basketball concessions is usually run by the ticket seller and the funds from concessions only go to Boosters general fund.

Corporate Fundraising:

Cheryl put together a corporate sponsor flyer, and our goal is that Danny will distribute to all athletes/athletic families.

We need to keep an updated list on Corporate donors and when renewal is up. Danny will coordinate with Craig and Kristen to come up with a new system. As far as the signs

Membership Updates:

Carol said there were only about 3 new memberships since last meeting. Carol suggested doing another mailing to those that have not become a member yet. Suggestion by Lauren for Danny to put a reminder on his messages for Winter Athletes to register and also become a Boosters member. Danny will send out a blog about why it's important to be a Boosters member.

Bulldog Gear:

Donna has explored some other options for gear because there are a lot of issues with Camelot. She is investigating with Arrow, Piesco, and Day Street. Donna wants to get the website up now so gear can be ready for holidays. Donna ordered sweatshirts from Day street to sell outright at Thanksgiving and will look to Arrow to have website orders.

Coaches Report:

Jen Abbott (gymnastics) is looking for a springboard. They work out at Metro South and are at the mercy of other people using the spring board and would like one of their own. They have about a 10 year shelf life. Gymnastics is doing some fundraising, but is looking for Boosters to help. Boosters approved for them to spend up to \$1000. Jen will contact Danny to use the debit card to pay for it.

Ryan Gordy/Jim Choquette is looking for a Shoot Away (net above rim that funnels down and returns the ball to you) and will be able to be used by boys and girls at both levels, and for unified basketball group. The quote is for about \$6500 - (\$3000 from each boys and girls program). The warranty is about 15 years. Jim and Ryan will investigate specs to make sure it fits and the timing of delivery for the season. Approval was made for Boosters to pay half (\$3000) and each boys/girls team would pay (\$1500 each team). Boosters will front the full amount and be paid back.

AD Report:

- *New girls lacrosse coach is Laurie Chabot. She was girls JV soccer coach this year. She has a ton of lacrosse experience.
- *Wrestling mat is in, so we have 2 brand new mats. A dedication for the mat to Tom Bartosek will happen in December.
- *Storage Bays (containers) are being ordered for down at baseball/softball fields and up by Turf. Those are capital budget items.
- *Long term capital requests in for bleachers on both sides and fencing at field. Rodman made a donation of 15 passenger van for Canton Public Schools. The athletic department will have access to that van details to be forthcoming.

*Herr Center - the Herr foundation has been paying about \$9000 a year to pay for Marathon Sports. The foundation pledged \$4000 for this year. Danny is asking for \$2000 to run the Herr Center for rest of winter. It was approved.

Miscellaneous:

Kristen brought up the possibility of having both boys and girls hockey teams being able
to be picked up and dropped back off from games at the Icehouse as opposed to the
CHS parking lot (It was brought up at the Girls Hockey parent meeting)

Danny will think about it and talk to both coaches about this possibility.

Next meetings: December 12th, January 9th, February 13th