

Swartz Creek Athletic Boosters
Monday, April 13, 2009
6:30 pm
Swartz Creek High School – Teacher’s Lounge

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Dale Adkins
Nick Bierman
Sue Calvo, Athletic Director
Mike Cummings-President
Bryan Gilbert
Wes Hall
Debbie Hoffman
Jim Hukan-Treasurer
Brenda Huyck
Chris Mosholder
Allen Murphy
Gene Richards-Vice President
Deb Sipes
Julie Veenhuis- Secretary
Ron Weins
Mark Zyber

CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mike Cummings, President. Introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 3, 2009 meeting was distributed.

MOTION DULY MADE BY JIM HUGAN, SECONDED BY DALE ADKINS, AND ADOPTED to approve the April 13, 2009 minutes. None opposed.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The March 31, 2009 Treasurers Report was distributed

Total Assets of \$29,222.04. Less funding commitments of: \$106.81 for merchandise, \$2,000.00 for Girls Lacrosse, \$1,500.00 for Boys Lacrosse, \$3,000.00 for Baseball and \$1,200.00 for Middle School Soccer for a total of \$7,806.81 in liabilities- Equals a Net Equity of \$21,415.23. It was noted by Treasurer Jim Hukan that funding is down a bit this year with the poor economy.

MOTION DULY MADE BY GENE RICHARDS, SECONDED BY JULIE VEENHUIS, AND ADOPTED to approve the March 31, 2009 Treasurer’s Report. None opposed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Boys Varsity Baseball funding request-2nd Vote

In the fall, the Pitcher's mound was replaced. The team is looking to maintain the improvements that have been made. The Boys Varsity Baseball team is asking for funding in the amount of \$3,000.00 for the purchase of a new wind screen, batting mat and covers for the Home plate, Pitcher's Mound and bases. The baseball team will remove the screen after each season to try to maintain it as long as possible.

Motion was duly made by Jim Hukan, Seconded by Wanda Cummings at the March 3rd meeting to approve the Boy's Varsity Baseball teams request for up to \$3,000.00 for the purchase of a new wind screen, batting mat and covers for the Home Plate, Pitcher' Mound and bases. None opposed. Per Booster's by-laws this item required a second vote.

There being no further discussion at tonight's meeting, the group agreed to support the initial motion to approve the Boy's Varsity Baseball teams request for up to \$3,000.00 for the purchase of a new wind screen, batting mat and covers for the Home Plate, Pitcher' Mound and bases. None opposed

Girls Lacrosse Funding Request-2nd Vote

A funding request was submitted by the Girls Lacrosse team in the amount of \$2,000.00 for Referee fees. Because of budget issues, this team receive very little funding from the Athletic Department. This amount will pay for 2- Referees for 9- JV and 9- Varsity games.

MOTION DULY MADE BY WANDA Cummings, SECONDED by Gene Richards at the March 3rd meeting to approve the Girls Lacrosse teams request for \$2,000.00 for referee fees none opposed. Per Booster's by-laws this item required a second vote.

There being no further discussion at tonight's meeting, the group agreed to support the initial motion to approve the Girls Lacrosse teams request for \$2,000.00 for referee fees none opposed

Discussion regarding the Booster Webpage Design

Generally speaking the new site looks great. There are still a couple of items that need to be addressed with Cory. Jim Hukan will discuss the following items with her:

1. The color of the page is still "off".
2. Only about ½ of the icons appear to have been fixed.

Discussion regarding the Booster Millionaire License.

Gene Richards received some dates from the company that runs the local event. Gene will contact them to obtain some additional information and a copy of the contract. Jim Hukan indicated that he still needed to check with the State to verify our position as far as our filings. Jim also indicated that because the Boosters are only allowed to use the license for 4 events per year that he also needed to see where we were at with our available licenses for this year.

NEW BUSINESS

Boys Lacrosse Funding Request

Ken Engel who is the director of the Swartz Creek Boys Lacrosse Club submitted a request for \$1,500.00 to help with the transportation and referee expenses at the December 8, 2008 meeting. At that time the request was not in proper form and not signed by Sue Calvo- so the request is now formally being submitted. The total cost for the 2009 season is estimated to be approximately \$3,800.00. The Boy's Lacrosse team is a "Club Sport" not a team sport so they receive no funds from the athletic department. The parents cover all costs with help from sponsors. It was noted by Mike Cummings that he would like to see the Lacrosse team parents help out with concessions in the upcoming year.

MOTION DULY MADE BY Jim Hugan, SECONDED by Gene Richards to approve the Boy's Lacrosse team's request for up to \$1,500.00 to help with transportation and referee fees. None opposed. Per Booster's by-laws this item requires a second vote.

Boys Golf Team Funding Request

Wes Hall submitted a funding request for the Golf Team in the amount of \$600.00 for 1 hour to 1 ½ hour practice and training sessions at the March 3 Booster Meeting. At that meeting, the request was not signed by Athletic Director, Sue Calvo so it could not be voted on or funded. It was indicated at that time that this funding request would be added to tonight's agenda for action by this group. At tonight's meeting the Boosters were informed that the funding request had been cancelled and was no longer needed.

Cross Country Team Funding Request

Ron Weins and Alan Murphy submitted a request on behalf of the Cross Country Team for funding in the amount of \$1,892.45. These funds will be used to purchase a 10x20 tent with the Swartz Creek logo from the EZ-UP company. This tent will primarily be used for the Cross Country and Track Teams – but will be able to be used by other sports if needed.

MOTION DULY MADE BY Dale Adkins, SECONDED by Gene Richards to approve the Cross Country team's request for up to \$1,892.45 to purchase a 10x20 tent from the EZ-Up Company. None opposed. Per Booster's by-laws this item requires a second vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Golf

Donations and sponsors are still coming in –currently there are 11 sponsors for this event. More are needed. Wes will continue calling to try to obtain more help. Sue Calvo indicated that she would contact Mark Williams at Burger King to try to obtain some desert coupons to be used as "give aways" at the Par 3 holes. There was a nice article about the event in last Sunday's Swartz Creek Paper- this should help provide some visibility to the event. The girl's golf team is going to provide deserts for the event- this will save the Boosters money. It needs to be noted that at the event- VISA cards will be accepted at the pro- shop but not at the Bar.

Concession Schedule/ordering

Starting January 1st, Genesee County will be charging \$350.00 fee per venue- this amount will be due shortly. Scott Bright indicated that he has several cases of "Swartz Creek" water that he needs to get rid of.

Sue Calvo brought the issue of the "Mouse Hole" to this group for discussion. She wanted to know if the Boosters as a group wanted to handle the running of this concession stand as well or if we wanted to leave it as a "fund raiser" for the Jr. Class as it is now. It would cost whatever group that decided to run it- \$350.00 for the County license as well as a cleaning fee. The Boosters as a group indicated that we would take over the running of this concession if it was presented to us but that we didn't want to take anything away from the Jr. Class. Sue Calvo indicated that she would let us know.

50/50

Diane Burt prepared a list of Rules for selling 50/50 at Swartz Creek Athletic events. She prepared one set for Football and one set for Basketball (which are currently the events that the Boosters sell 50/50 tickets for). The rules looked good – with the exception of Rule # 8. Currently the wording of # 8 is: *Only one ticket number will be drawn. If the winning ticket is not presented, another ticket will not be drawn and the Boosters will claim all monies.* This wording needs to be modified according to the Boosters procedures for unclaimed 50/50 proceeds and should read: *Only one ticket number will be drawn. If the winning 50/50 ticket has not been presented, another ticket will not be drawn and at the next regular Boosters meeting the Boosters will determine a worthy cause within the Swartz Creek Community and donate the unclaimed proceeds to that cause.* Diane Burt indicated that she would update the documentation.

Membership

No Report.

Scholarship

No Report – Dory Hill not present at tonight's meeting.

Promotional Items

Steve Phillips was not present at tonight's meeting- but he did submit a request for funding to Jim Hagan. The request was for \$700.00 needed to purchase special Football Team t-shirts to be sold during Football season. These items, especially football related items- seem to sell well.

MOTION DULY MADE BY Jim Hagan, SECONDED by Dale Adkins to approve funding in the amount of \$700.00 to purchase Swartz Creek Football T-shirts for distribution. None Opposed.

Pride & Spirit

Liz Studer not present at meeting- no report.

Meet the Team Report

Sue Calvo indicated that she would like to stop the "Meet the Team" event. The Coaches and kids don't really seem to like the event- and attendance has been falling for the event. Many of the teams prefer to have their own separate meeting with the parents and coaches. What Sue is suggesting is that instead of honoring the athletes at the "Meet the Team" event- we could honor them at the half-time of a basketball game, at Senior Nights or at Honor Assemblies. The Boosters indicated that we had no issues with dropping this event and would simply have to make better use of "Booster Parents" for each team to obtain membership.

Program Production/Ad Sales

No report.

Sportsmanship/Ethics

No Report

Booster's Night Out

Brenda Huyck provided Budget vs. actual cost documentation from the Booster's Night out event. The cost for the event had been budgeted at \$1,440.00 and came in at \$1,525.87. This was due mostly to the cost of the food. It was agreed that while this was not a big "money maker" – that it was a great event. Brenda Huyck has not yet committed to chairing this event next year, but it is hoped that she will.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This item was not on the agenda for tonight's meeting but Jim Hukan indicated that the time has come for the nomination of the Booster's Executive board for the 2009-2010 school years. Since this is his second year serving as Booster's Treasurer, Jim Hukan is the only member of the current Booster's Executive Board that cannot serve next year. Jim Hukan nominated Mike Cummings to serve as President, Gene Richards as Vice-President and Julie Veenhuis as Secretary. The nominations were seconded by Chris Mosholder. All three of these executives indicated that they would be willing to serve additional terms for 2009-2010. The Vote for President, Vice President and Secretary will take place at the May 4, 2009 Booster Meeting. Nominations for Treasurer will also be taken at that meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Julie Veenhuis, Secretary
Swartz Creek Athletic Boosters

Date