

Swartz Creek Athletic Boosters
Monday December 8, 2008
6:30 pm
Swartz Creek High School – Teacher’s Lounge

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Diane Burt
Sue Calvo, Athletic Director
Mike Cummings-President
Dwight Dennings
John Green
Rick Henry
Jim Hukan-Treasurer
Ken Engel
Steve Phillips
Jim Szabo
Julie Veenhuis- Secretary

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 November 3, 2008 meeting was distributed.

MOTION DULY MADE BY JIM HUGAN, SECONDED BY DWIGHT DENNINGS, AND ADOPTED to approve the November 3, 2008, minutes. None opposed.

TREASURER’S REPORT

No New Activity in November.

Total Assets \$40,376.67- Less Funding Commitments of \$11,711.69 (\$3,000.00-merchandise, \$6,000.00- Ice Hockey team, \$2,711.69 –Softball Tracker) For Total Net Equity of \$28,664.98

MOTION DULY MADE BY JULIE VEENHUIS, SECONDED BY DIANE BURT, AND ADOPTED to approve the December 8, 2008 Treasurer’s Report. None opposed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion regarding Poker night rules and profit distribution-possible need for by-laws meeting

It was discussed that this event needed to truly be a “Booster” event, not a fundraiser for a specific sport as it was last time. A set of rules needs to be agreed upon before we allow our license to be used for another one of these events.

It was agreed by all at the November meeting that further discussion of this matter is needed before anything is adopted. A By-Laws meeting may be needed to adopt an official procedure for groups wanting to use the Boosters license. Further discussion was to take place at tonight’s meeting, however with the small member turnout tonight, it was decided to table the discussion till the January 5 meeting.

Discussion regarding the Booster Webpage moving to its own domain.

This was not on the agenda (which was an oversight on the part of the Secretary, Julie Veenhuis) but it was brought to the attention of the group that this was supposed to be an action item at tonight’s meeting. All Parties agree that our Booster’s webpage needs to be improved to make it more “user friendly”. What really needs to be determined is if we want to move our page from the Swartz Creek.org domain to the new domain owned by Dwight Dennings. It was decided that the creation of a Webpage Committee would be the best way to make a determination of what needed to be done and to work with the webmaster to make sure that whatever page was adopted was kept up to date. Due to the small member turnout tonight, it was decided to table the discussion till the January 5 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss replacement for Duck Race at Hometown Days

Bud Lane was gathering information on a “Camel Race” fundraiser, but he was not present at tonight’s meeting. The 50/50 fundraiser at the Beer Tent still seems like the best option. Mike Cummings indicated that he was waiting to hear back from the organizer of the tent as to whether or not they would be willing to let us do that fundraiser.

Request from the Veteran’s Association

This item was not on the agenda, however Rick Henry requested the opportunity to bring his request to the group.

Rick Henry from the Swartz Creek Veteran’s Association brought some license plates to the group to see if we would be willing to buy them from the Veteran’s Association for \$2.50 per plate. The Veteran’s association makes \$1.25 per plate sold and we would then be able to sell the plates with our regular merchandise. The Booster’s do not usually buy items from this type of organization as we are not in the business of fundraising for any organization that is not related to Swartz Creek Athletics. Mike Cummings indicated that he would contact Rick and let him know that we could not help.

Request for Funding from The Boy's LaCrosse Club

This item was not on the agenda, however Ken Engel requested the opportunity to bring his request to the group.

Ken Engel who is the director of the Swartz Creek Boys LaCrosse Club submitted a request for \$1,500.00 to help with the expenses for the coming season. 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. Jim Hagan indicated to Mr. Engel that the Booster's organization would be happy to consider his request. He indicated to Mr. Engel that he needed to fill out the Booster funding request form and submit it to the Athletic Department for approval. Once approved by the Athletic Department, it can be voted on by the Boosters. Mike Cummings also indicated that he would like to make sure that Mr. Engel became a Booster member and encouraged his players to join as well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Golf

No Report- Wes Hall not present

Concession Schedule/ordering

.No Report-Gene Richards not present

50/50

68.00 was made at the last girl's basketball game. Currently there is 1 drawing per night. It was discussed that a set of rules needs to be created, similar to what we have in place for Football 50/50. Diane Burt agreed to write something up and bring to the next meeting for approval.

Membership

No New report- Monalisa Bissonette not present at tonight's meeting. Have nearly 140 new members.

Scholarship

No report- Dory Hill not present at meeting.

Promotional Items

Steve Phillips indicated that he had received some of the merchandise- jackets, golf shirts and hats. He had issues with the design on the sweatshirts- but that has been resolved and an order has been placed. \$140.00 in merchandise was sold at the "meet the team" event and \$93.00 at the JV/Varsity Basketball game. He is reducing the price on some of the old items that are not selling.

Jim Szabo attended the meeting. He presented some poster boards with individual Athlete pictures and graphics. If Coaches wanted to offer these items to their teams- Jim would come and take pictures and create the poster boards at his cost only- he is not looking to make money on these- just looking for the advertising.

Pride & Spirit

Liz Studer not present at meeting- no report.

Meet the Team Report

Event went well with the exception of the sound system.

Fundraising

No report

Program Production/Ad Sales

Most of the ads and pictures for the new program have been submitted. John Green also presented the group with a quote for next year's program. We will pass along to Wanda Cummings to use when putting together other quotes for next year's program.

Sportsmanship/Ethics

No report

Booster's Night Out

Brenda Huyck not present at meeting- but apparently she has some ideas for the event that she is working on.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sue Calvo wanted to know who needed to be called in the event that Basketball games are cancelled due to weather. It was indicated that Jim Hagan and Mike Cummings are the only individuals that Sue needs to contact. Mike and Jim will notify any other people from the Boosters that need to be made aware.

The Burger King Booster's night is December 17 from 6-9 pm. The Boosters get 20% of all sales from that time period.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Julie Veenhuis, Secretary
Swartz Creek Athletic Boosters

Date