

## OLL BOOSTER CLUB MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held Tuesday, December 6, 2011

**MEETING ATTENDEES:** Scott Duffie, Vice President Laurie Hilton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Grace Safko, Secretary Rick Campbell, Treasurer  
Bob Loeffler, Chairperson David Hankey, Chairperson  
Karen Romkema, Chairperson Larry Coyle, Chairperson  
Tracie McCallum, Chairperson Michele Sabo  
Greg Glover

### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- at 6:02 pm, Room 133, Annex

### OPENING PRAYER

- by Grace Safko

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion to approve minutes made by Scott Duffie, seconded by Karen Romkema; all in favor, none opposed.

### SPORTS REGISTRATION

- Dave Hankey reports that there have been a few new registrations generated by the beginning of the basketball season. However, there are a few athletes outstanding. He will send a list to Scott Duffie who will discuss same with Mr. Boyd.
- Dave states that this year we have 263 registered athletes which is very impressive and unprecedented to his knowledge. Last year we had 248.

### TREASURER

- Rick Campbell states that although the November Treasurer's Report was in the negative, we did not have any charity gaming during the month and the numbers were to be expected. Our five month total is on target and our percentage of goal achieved is very good for the year. Basketball gate and concessions should assist us in reaching a more optimistic figure for December.
- Tracie McCallum asks if hosting tournaments is a worthwhile undertaking for the Laker Booster organization. It was discussed that the merit of a tournament and the rationale for hosting is on a case-by-case basis.

### FUNDRAISING

- Karen Romkema reports that we have no additional charity gaming dates in 2011. We are scheduled for 10 events (each event being four days) for the remainder of the school year. She has put some of the dates on the website and many parents have signed up.
- Scott Duffie asked Karen about the status of Bingo at Card Sharks. Karen will provide Scott her initial information and Scott will perform a bit more research regarding whether this may be a good fit for our Booster organization.

- Karen's research regarding the profitability of registering licenses with the Michigan Charity Gaming Association continues.

#### **TEAM MANAGERS**

- No formal report.

#### **CONCESSIONS**

- Tracie McCallum reports that she has captains for all concessions for the basketball season and all is running smoothly.

#### **APPAREL**

- Larry Coyle indicates that he spoke with Mike Artley regarding an on-campus location to store apparel, and he suggested the football garage. Larry will pass that information on to his successor, but does not believe this to be a valuable solution, as the garage is generally unlocked.
- Larry reports that information regarding placing apparel orders for Christmas gifts was a part of the school newsletters and the website, and that sales, especially on-line, were going quite well.
- Larry feels that Apparel should set up a table at the initial event of each sports season so that new athletes and their parents are aware of our vast selection of Laker-wear and the convenience of purchasing same on site or on line. This table should also have some signage indicating when we would be back on site and also how to purchase items on-line.
- Larry also mentions that should we consider hiring a third party company to sell our school apparel, Tri-County Sportswear may be an organization worth checking into. Parents and students would order directly through them and they would handle all the spirit wear for us.
- Laurie Hilton mentions that Everest has a very cute "Spirit Wear" store on their campus which may also be an idea worth pursuing.

#### **GATE ADMISSIONS**

- Bob Loeffler reports that everything is running smoothly and all gate positions are covered for the winter sports season. Many parents have indicated that they will sign up for this position again next year.

#### **COMMUNICATION**

- No formal report.
- Shannon contacted Bob Loeffler stating she would not be attending the meeting.

## **ON-GOING BUSINESS**

- Live Stream Broadcast – Scott re-contacted the owner of this corporation, and he is no longer providing this service.
- Cheer Program – Ms. Longo is uncertain whether the cheer program becoming part of the Booster program would be a good fit. There are questions regarding whether additional insurance would need to be purchased. Tracie McCallum will speak with Ms. Longo and report back next month.
- Oktoberfest - Scott Duffie has garnered the assistance of Larry Coyle and George Goedtke with regard to re-instating the Oktoberfest as a Laker family event with the help of the Booster organization. Dave Hankey will look into which parents were instrumental in launching previous events and provide a contact list. Scott and Larry hope to meet before the holiday to discuss this undertaking in more detail.
- Ford-Drive-For-Your-School - Scott Duffie reports that Ford chooses two Metro Detroit schools per year (one in the Spring, one in the Fall), for this fundraising opportunity which involves test driving vehicles. The odds of our school being chosen are not too promising.
- Booster Manual – Scott is pleased with the job descriptions he has received from officers and chairpersons, however, he envisions a manual which would include a great deal more information, including a statement with regard to our purpose and goals. The manual will be a work-in-progress.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- As an initial discussion, it was mentioned that many sports teams require new jerseys and what would be the proper method to obtain approval for purchasing uniforms and which pieces the school would provide.
- Greg Glover had some questions regarding the Laker Credit system and the amount of hours credited for coaching sports such as football and baseball. Dave Hankey fielded this inquiry stating that each coaching position is unique and there are many variables to consider with regard to how many hours coaches are awarded in the Laker Credit system, including whether the position is paid, whether sports registration fees are covered, etc. He suggests that this question be directed to the Laker Credit Board, along with detailed information of his individual situation.
- There was a general conversation regarding the inability to obtain gym time at the Lakes facilities and how to open that schedule up or pursue offsite locations and whether there were insurance issues attached to that pursuit.

**CLOSING PRAYER**

- 7:15 pm, Grace Safko

**NEXT MEETING**

- Monday, January 9, 2012, 6:00 pm- Room 133, Annex

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