

October 1, 2007

OM Sports Boosters Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm with the following in attendance: Rose Linton, Wendy Shutter, Maureen Letteer, Jen Signor, and Vicki Kron.

In Glenda's absence, Wendy Shutter took minutes for the meeting. Wendy asked if anyone needed the minutes read. All said Nay, and Jen motioned the minutes be accepted. Vicki seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report – Rose gave the treasurer's report. From the previous month of activities there were \$13,088.05 in deposits and \$9,619.27 in expenses. The expenses included the new metal door, hot dog cooker, \$500+ in advertising, shirts and sweatshirts, and supplies for the concession stand. The 50-50 raffles were distributed among the Nelson Beebe Fund, Charles Martin Acct, and Special Needs Fund. The total booster's checking account is now \$6,905.51 and the total savings (for all sports we manage) is \$7,202.59.

We reviewed the Bucket game – The attendance at the pep rally was low (about 100 people) due to scheduling the game before school was to start. There was \$2,700 in deposits from that game night. Attendance was estimated between 1000 and 1500 people. Paid attendees were approximately 800. It was generally felt that advertising helped with the attendance numbers.

We reviewed the Homecoming events – The chicken BBQ sold out (200 halves). There was a general complaint from attending booster members that the bonfire was lit too soon. It was started with 4 minutes remaining in the boys' varsity soccer game. This was disrespectful of the boys' game and caused smoke and cinders to interfere with the final minutes of play. The typical team/sports introductions were not made. The bonfire was announced as being sponsored by the Sports Boosters even though we had no control over lighting the fire and associated activities that normally occur. The general opinion at the meeting was at future home comings, if the bonfire does not occur on time it should be canceled rather than rescheduled.

Merchandise purchases were reviewed – We received all the T-Shirts. We did not receive the sweat shirts when we had anticipated them. We also did not receive a full delivery. The order was placed and paid for on September 10th, giving the vendor 20 days notice. For our next merchandise purchase, pricing and delivery schedules will be researched with alternate vendors. Several attendees believed the sweatshirts were to be hooded. Vicki took the action to research the order, to determine if hooded sweatshirts should have been delivered.

Outstanding action items – We still have not received the nomination information for Hall of Fame. The current vendor has taken no action on the Add-A-Year banners, another vendor will be pursued. We have not received the contents of the current banners. Jen took the action to have one of her students write down the contents of the current banners. Vicki hand delivered the Thank You note to Sue Bleiler. There are no outstanding notes that need to be sent. The memorial donation for the Campbell's son was received by the hospital.

Building updates – The most recent correspondence was an email to Mr. Frame sent last week. We also received word via Deb Stephens that the construction is not planned until after the end

of the season. All the board members have made several attempts to impress the school with the urgency of the situation. The current door is unstable and difficult to open, which is a safety issue. The mechanism for holding the door up is failing, also a safety issue. The board members will continue to remind the appropriate school members about the urgency of the need for repairs.

Inventory update – Everyone agreed that we should no longer purchase Star Bursts and variety packs of candy bars. We should only purchase purple and red Skittles. Rose noted that we no longer have any free cups. As a result, effective immediately we will be raising the price of coffee and hot chocolate to \$0.75 to cover the cost of cups and lids. Rose also stated that no more candy purchases will be made for the rest of the Fall sports season. We will sell out what we have, and then evaluate buying trends and purchase only what is needed for the Winter sports season. Wendy once again complained about the added variety of items, for example the Rice Krispy Treats and Reese's Pieces. Specifically, that the more variety on the shelf the longer it takes to locate what a customer wants, slowing the purchasing process. Wendy suggested that for the final home football game, the candy be limited to the handful of items that actually sell to increase speed of sale at the counter.

Season/Concession Stand Diaries – Rose and Vicki discussed creating a book with all the pertinent information from the season on it. This will help in setup and sales for next season, by collecting lessons learned into a procedures/how-to guide for the games. Vicki took the action to send an email out asking for people's anecdotes and information on what they observed.

Senior Night events – There was a discussion on the quantity and types of flowers needed for the upcoming senior nights. Some coaches (e.g. football) also want boutonnieres for their players to wear during the day. Football needs 12 sets of flowers. There was a discussion on the pricing. Rose took the action to call around and get comparison pricing before making a purchase.

Flag – When there are no proctors, the boosters are responsible for putting up the flag for games.

Athlete of the Month – There was discussion on the role of the Sports Boosters in the Athlete of the Month program. The boosters do not vote on the athlete, but do provide the plaque. The boosters need to be notified by someone whom the athlete is, so we can make a timely purchase of this plaque.

Female Flag Football – Jen discussed a proposal from Linda Kramer for a flag football game. The Freshmen and Senior girls would go against the Junior and Sophomore girls. The game would be held on November 6th at OM under the lights. She has received permission from Mr. Frame and is working out the details. She proposed boosters run a limited concession stand and the club would keep the proceeds from ticket sales for their start up organization. The proceeds would be managed by the boosters. All in attendance supported the idea.

Volleyball fund raiser – Will be Saturday, October 13th from 10am to 2pm in the school parking lot. They will collect returnable cans.

Jen made a motion to adjourn at 6:46 pm, seconded by Vicki.