

WCHS Booster Club Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 3, 2015, 7pm – Room 117
Officer Elections

In attendance: Elaine Arndt, Barrie Berger, Allyson Bergman, Draga Dubick, Paula Goldsmith, Alissa Horvitz, Deb Lundin, Chris Nazarian, Martha Shannon, Scott Rivinius, Gina Shultz Farney, Larry Tanenbaum, Roger Weaver, Shawnda Wilkinson, Wendy Wilson, Lisa Yazdani.

Call to order: 7:10pm by Larry Tanenbaum, President.

Approval of Minutes: 5/21/15 Minutes Approved with corrections to Gina's last name.

Election of New Officers for School Year 2015-16 effective July 1, 2015.

The following slate of officers was unanimously approved with 12 votes in favor, none opposed:

President: Chris Nazarian

Vice President: Draga Dubick

Vice President: Larry Tanenbaum

Treasurer: Clarice Ghais

Secretary: (open)

Treasurer's Report: Martha

The P&L statement includes the outlays for the dugouts, so the expense line reflects \$30,460 worth of expenses for the dugouts; \$7,540 remains in contingent liabilities for project completion. The Pavers have netted 13,105.14 toward the stadium improvements, and will be reflected separately in the Balance Sheet going forward. She provided the team account balances and activity. Martha needs the inventory from Allyson and baseball invoices as soon as possible.

The direction of the turf field was discussed. Larry reviewed the status and said that Jonathan Weinstein was stepping down from Potomac Soccer and will assume the duties as head fundraiser for the turf field. Bethesda Soccer has replaced Bethesda Lacrosse as a partner. Due to the continuing MSI lawsuit, lack of progress toward the \$200,000 remaining contribution, negative impact on Booster Club fundraising, and changes in the partnership, a motion was made by Elaine and seconded by Gina: "The Booster Club shall formally withdraw from the artificial turf partnership, and inform partners, the county, our attorneys and other relevant entities about the decision. The contingent funds will be released to the general fund." The motion failed: 5 in favor, 7 opposed, 2 abstentions. Further discussion prompted a motion by Draga and seconded by Allyson: "The Booster Club shall create a subcommittee to meet before the next Booster Club meeting to consult with our legal counsel, county representatives, and partners to seek a written plan and construction schedule in order to determine whether to proceed in the partnership." The motion passed: 7 in favor, 3 opposed, 4 abstentions. Draga, Chris and Larry agreed to serve on the subcommittee.

Athletic Director Report: Scott

1. Item Requests: a) New Mascot Suit: the previous 15-year-old suit was inadvertently discarded last year. A new suit was researched and a quality supplier was identified. The new suit costs \$1,000. Allyson made a motion to approve the expense, seconded by Chris. The motion passed unanimously.

b) Shoulder pads and helmets for football. Due to the expected increase in football sign-ups, the program is lacking 16 sets of pads and helmets. The helmets identified are 5-star rated. The combined cost is \$4,800. Allyson made a motion to approve, seconded by Chris. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Hall of Fame event – Scott discussed a possible recognition for former CHS athletes. There is a Hall of Fame list, but no dedicated site at the school, and the Hall of Fame Alumni Dinner used to be an event at school. Scott will locate the list. This is a possible fundraising event.

3. Fall Sports Night – Scott announced August 19 as the selected date, but input from the parents was that this was too early for volunteers, and for many parents of fall athletes. Scott will look for a date within the first week of school.

4. Community Night – September 25 v. Blair

Crew team funding request: Barrie

Barrie presented information about the Crew team and its equipment request. The team is in its 5th year and has 50 rowers and four teams. It competes with Whitman and WJ crew teams with a girls and boys novice class and girls and boys varsity class. These teams all have a coach, and a new head coach with a national reputation has just been hired. It is a 3 season sport, but can also be a conditioning sport for athletes who want to work out only one or two of the three seasons. The Board had questions about the specific types of equipment, their lifecycle and maintenance requirements that Barrie was not in a position to answer, so the request was tabled until September when the coach would be available to respond to questions.

Membership Report: Elaine/Wendy

Cheer and Poms are meeting with parents at the end of this year. Elaine worked with Shawnda at the Cheer meeting (June 1) and Draga will meet with Poms (June 4 – Robin & Paula) to get a membership rep to their meetings and send them the “Where Does Your Money Go” flyer. Elaine met with the membership team (Wendy, Judy and Paula) and a new 100% reward was recommended: money for banquet rather than pizza party. \$250 for small, \$500 for medium, \$750 for super large, but these reward amounts are not finalized. Wendy and Elaine are working on the categorization of the teams so they know how much they can receive. Need to have a Platinum liaison – Larry or Jim will serve in that capacity.

Apparel/School Store: Allyson

Still looking for a freshman or sophomore parent team to manage the school store. She also needs a replacement for the sponsor banner work.

Concessions: Chris

Chris and Draga will clean out the outside concession stand on June 4.

Summer Activity: Larry

Officers will be meeting during the summer, if others are interested in joining them, please contact him.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30pm

Announcements: Brian K. Song Memorial Bulldog golf Classic, Dinner & Auction will be held on August 10 to benefit the football team.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Arndt, Secretary