

Minutes for October 12, 2020 Zoom Booster Meeting

Meeting called to order by Jeff Harper at 7:00pm.

Attendees: Marsha Boudinet – Spirit Shop Kelli Haberthier – Spirit Shop

Pam McGarvey – Fall 5k Kelly Mahon – Concessions

Kelly Wilson – Cheer Fred Bontrager – Football

Dina French – Baseball Meredith Barone – Boys Lacrosse

Cindy Ackerman – Cheer Dave Anderson – Boys Soccer

Board Members: Jeff Harper, Tracy Poppe, Matt Bachman, and Kathy Boeskool

Treasurer: Current Assets at \$77500 and Current Liabilities \$41900. We continue to be in a good financial position. We had a good Bingo month again to. We are adding 4 new outlets for Bingo which will hopefully bring in more money. This is needed as we have had much lower concession income due to lower crowd limitations. Spiritwear numbers are higher this month too. We may have the amount we pledged to the building of the new ticket booth/fencing at the stadium lowered as we have made other contributions to the athletic department. Rich will let us know. The building is finally under construction.

Concessions: Income continues to be lower due to Covid restrictions on attendance. Things are going well with Kelly, Stephanie and Susan splitting duties working concessions as we are not paying teams at this point to work. We hope to get a few playoff soccer games to get rid of the stuff outside, making less to move inside for basketball season. We are also not sure if we will be getting any volleyball playoff games. Will the stands have to be vacated and cleaned in between each game?

Spirit Shop: We have had a very good September especially considering the circumstances. Had \$2300 in sales with \$1300 of that directly at the shop. Another almost \$900 in sales came from the Facebook sale, which is up and running, and payments on Venmo. Janet's shop is open during the day but she is allowing fewer students in the shop at a time. She will probably be retiring after this year but she is good with how things are being done now. Almost all items on the Facebook sale are marked down 20-30%. We have gone thru a lot of inventory. Items have been approved and they are about to place an order with Cooper Sports for more merchandise. The bill should be under \$5000. They are ordering 24 of each item. October already has almost \$900 in sales. We are doing GREAT, all things considered. There may be a

Craft Show order and they plan to promote the items on Facebook. Michelle at Cooper Sports will also be doing an online sale where we can place orders without carrying any inventory.

Membership: We have 7 new lifetime members and 2 new 1 year memberships. Girls golf, Boys golf, Girls soccer and both cross country teams have reached the 50% membership threshold. Cheer is 1 person away and expects to hit 50% soon. We have had a lot of freshman families join this year which is good for the future.

Team Reports:

Cheer – Nothing new to report as they haven't had any feedback from the coaches. The reps would love to get suggestions on how to better communicate with the coaches. Jeff has spoken with LSO administrators. They are looking to get more involved with East sports and to possibly partner with us. He suggested possibly also working with Tomahawk Cheer to promote our cheer program as well.

Football – Great month for Varsity as the team is on a 4 game win streak! They have had wins over Princeton, which was a great overall game, Fairfield on a last second tipped field goal, Oak Hills and Sycamore. The Sycamore game was round 1 of the playoffs and we beat them in a rematch from earlier this season 28-10. Our next game is this Friday. It's a crosstown shootout against West and will be a tough game. TJ Kathman is the top ranked quarterback in the GMC right now and our defense is coming around. The win over Sycamore was the 1st home playoff win in school history.

Girls Soccer – They are finishing up their regular season this week with a game against Oak Hills. They got a bye for the first playoff game and will play the winner of the Ursuline/Harrison game on Saturday October 24th. They are currently 4th in the GMC standings.

Boys Soccer – They are finishing their regular season this week and have games against Loveland, Oak Hills and Sycamore coming up. Their first playoff game is Monday the 19th against Northwest. JC is wrapping up a great season where they were undefeated in the GMC.

Boys Golf – They finished 2nd in the GMC tournament at Walden Ponds and 3rd at Sectionals last week. Their next event is Districts at Glenview on Thursday.

Girls Golf – They graduated 3 solid seniors last year and have been having a bit of a rebuilding year. They managed to tie for 2nd at the Sectional tournament. They will face tight competition at tomorrow's District tournament at Glenview and will need to finish in the top 3 to advance to State. They can do it but will need some amazing golf out of all five golfers. Ellie Yeazel has been leading the team all year and she will be in the race to go to State as an individual if she

finishes in the top four. Her sister Clare could also make it out of Districts. It will be an interesting day!

Girls Volleyball – No report

Girls Tennis – No report

Cross Country – The boys team was 3rd at the Milford meet. We swept 1st in all the other races – Boys Open, Girls Varsity and Girls Open. At the Lakota East Classic II Girls Varsity was 4th, Boys Varsity was 4th and we were 2nd in the Boys Open. At the Sycamore meet we swept 2nd in all the races – Girls Varsity, Boys Varsity and Boys Open. The boys also placed 4th at the Ross meet this past weekend. The Top 14 girls and boys are headed to the GMC meet this weekend. All the other athletes are finished with their seasons.

Team Request: Boys Lacrosse – Requesting \$958 for 60 dozen lacrosse balls to be purchased thru BSN. They are also requesting \$1254 to pay for charter bussing to Olentangy High School for a game. Both requests were approved last year but were never used due to Covid. Took a verbal vote on the first request again and it passed unanimously. We are going to table the 2nd request for now as charter bussing has not yet been approved by the school district for this year.

Fall 5k: Liberty Center had cancelled our event for this month. We considered hosting it at East but time got away from us for planning purposes and we have postponed the event for now. We are trying to reschedule for the spring. We are looking to add the band, PTSO and possibly LSO to be part of it in order to bring in more people.

Booster Bash Silent Auction: We want to do something to bring some money in and to use the time sensitive items we have collected for the basket raffle. Considerations are something virtual with the craft show, a “black and white” night and possibly doing something similar to what Dragonfly does to raffle off the baskets. We could have the baskets out for viewing for a period of time at home basketball games – girls and boys – and whatever other sporting events are going on during that time. Or, do we hold the baskets and have them available for the spring Bash? Young Life also had an event at a Drive In theatre and had a basket raffle. Could we do something similar? We want to get the biggest bang for our buck. We are in a good financial position now and can wait if we need to.

Misc: We are hoping to have good news with State tournaments, the building entrance being done, etc. at next month’s meeting.

Next Meeting: November 9, 2020 at 7pm Location TBA

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm.

