Booster Club Monthly Meeting

Minutes for December 6, 2017

Prepared by Linda Persigehl

Present: Curt Bohn, president; Brad Blum, v.p.; Chuck Oborny, treasurer; Linda Persigehl, secretary; Shelli Oborny, Brittanie Butterfield, Danita Diamond, Kim Lueders, Kairi Prososki, members at large; and Greg Lamberty, AD

The meeting was called to order by Curt Bohn at 5:30pm. Curt motioned to approve minutes from November meeting, emailed out to board members ahead of time. Vote to approve minutes was unanimous.

Dr. Haack gave a Bennington Public Schools presentation on the upcoming school bond issue, planned for March 13, 2018. Top five projects proposed, totaling $32-38 million, were discussed in more depth.

**Treasurer’s Report** was given by Chuck Oborny.

Checking $26,866.04

Clothing $40,484.20

Savings $14,379.92

**Funding Requests**

#1 Shelli Lampe asked for $150 for a portable speaker system for cheer squad, and appox. $300 for an IPAD to allow cheer to record routines in preparation for State competition.

Curt motioned a vote to approve full $450 request, with Brad Blum seconding the motion. All voted in favor.

#2 Alan Pokony asked for travel expenses for wrestlers attending tourney in Lexington, in preparation for State tourney. 10 hotel rooms x $105/night for varsity and JV wrestlers, for $1,050.

Brad Blum motioned a vote to approve full amount. Brittanie Butterfield seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

#3 Joe Schumm asked for $1,100 for 8 blade flags to use at home Cross Country meets. Blades would dress up Bennington Invite and help clearly mark start and finish lines. Discussion was held on whether to buy double-sided, larger blades for as much as $1,379. Schumm also requested 6 rectangular flags for marking course, for $110.

Danita Diamond motioned to vote to approve up to $1,500 for total purchase, and Shelli Oborny seconded the motion. All voted to approve total purchase.

#4 Coach Mimmick asked for resistance bands/belts for weight room equipment, which would allow athletes to use all machines simultaneously and help maximize athletes’ training time. 15 small and 15 medium bands total $1,528.

Curt Bohn motioned a vote to approve full cost of bands/belts. Brad Blum seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Board was made aware that Booster Club contributed $150 from Midnight Madness basketball event fundraiser to help those in need in Bennington community.

**Concessions**

A discussion of outside groups running concessions took place. Curt Bohn produced a worksheet itemizing concessions revenues and profit/loss, showing most, if not all, outsourced events were proving profitable. Only a few middle school events were losing money, and those will be ending soon as they move across the street to new school. Outsourcing was proving successful, as it relieved stress on regular Booster concession workers.

It was decided we would add popcorn sales to auxiliary concessions stand, as it is a good sales generator and for sports fans’ convenience. Since the stand does not allow room for its own popper, we will have to run bags over from main stand.

Dec. 30 Wrestling Duels (all day)– This event will be outsourced to BHS groups and student volunteers, scheduling two-hour shifts and opening both main and auxiliary stands. Linda Persigehl will be able to open booths, troubleshoot if needed; Brad Blum will as well if in town. Kim Lueders will add this event to Volunteer Signup on website. Pizzas and donuts will be brought in, since event lasts 8-4pm.

We discussed improving registration of booster members, as a few were somehow missed and their names not printed in programs.

Discussion was had about main popcorn machine showing some wear and tear, and purchase of new one should not be too far off. Brad Blum agreed to look into cost.

**Clothing**

Brittanie Butterfield gave sales reports for recent events.

State Volleyball - $4,000 sales, $300 shared with FBLA, for a profit of $1,000.

Winter sports online (wrestling, basketball) – $1,500, for $300 profit.

Holiday sales - $549 profit

Wrestling meet - $874 in sales, for $305 profit.

Brittanie said she still needs a few volunteers to help with sales the night of Jr. Class hamburger feed on Dec. 15.

**Scholarship**

Board discussed scholarship criteria/evaluation sheet for Booster Club scholarship application. All agreed that coaches and teachers filling out evaluation would remain anonymous. A space would be provided under each criteria for coaches to leave comments.

Curt Bohn motioned to approve criteria sheet and add to application. Danita Diamond seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Meeting was adjourned 7:20pm.

Next meeting will be postponed until second Wednesday of month, on January 10, 2018, to allow for winter break.