

BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2006

Vice President Mike Weddle called the meeting to order at 7:04. Meeting minutes from August 9, 2006 were distributed and read. There were no corrections. Tom Harrell moved and Chip McClintock seconded the meeting minutes be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence: None

Treasurer's Report: Reviewed and presented by Mike Weddle. See attached Treasurer's Report. Coaches are encouraged to use their money. Tom Harrell motioned and Kathy Maruna seconded that we accept the treasurer's report. Motion carries.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Kathy Maruna reported that we currently have 241 members, 95 of which are new members. All coaches should be encouraged to join if you haven't done so already. Coaches please be sure all your athletes are aware and have Booster Membership forms. Forms are available in the office or from Kathy. Kathy mentioned that the web site needs to be updated for the Booster portion.

Concessions: Ed Ferencz reported. There is a WRC Cross Country meet on October 11th at Silver Springs that Stow is hosting. We'd like to get the trailer out there as the concession potential will be great. Cyle Feldman will check into getting the trailer there. Tom Harrell will check on the status of our concession stand and concession trailer license. Silver Springs has a concession stand but running water is needed so it may not be an option. Cyle and Tom will coordinate.

Advertising: Tom Harrell introduced Jim Balint who will be taking over advertising. Jim thanked Tom for all his help in the transition. Programs were sold for \$5.00 instead of \$3.00. No one questioned or squabbled about the price and 200+ were sold last Friday. Dave Close motioned that we officially change the price of the programs to \$5.00 and Ed Ferencz seconded. Motion was unanimous. Price will be in effect from now on and with the Winter Program. Jim has called all the advertisers to collect money. We're gearing up for the Winter Program. Would like to get a jump on pictures and team rosters, but it's difficult when team try-outs won't happen for a while yet. Tom stated that the timing of the programs is always

rushed and there really is no way around it; coaches can't pick teams early. Coaches, please get any new or broken school records in to Jim as soon as possible so we can get that portion done early. Cyle needs to pick the photo day and will advise.

Chili Open: Ed Ferencz reported the Chili Open is usually held in January or early February. He's looking for someone to shadow him and eventually transition into taking this fundraiser over. It's held at Classic Fairways and not a big money maker but still a good one. Barb Bailey is interested and will get back to us.

Hall of Fame: Dave Close reported what a wonderful evening it was. There were a lot of touching stories. It was nice to see a lot of support in attendance from the Central Office and administration. There were 3 Board members and Dr. Jones in attendance. Cyle added that it was a nice, intimate setting at the Triple Crown restaurant, but would have liked to have more people in attendance. It was overall a great night. The history and legacy was awesome.

Guest Speaker:

Mike Weddle introduced Dr. Jones, who spoke on the levy that will be on the Ballot in November. This income tax is a new option available to schools. It is not a property tax but a ½% income tax. Ray Evans, Levy Chairperson spoke about the need to convince the community because we need this new tax. Funds from the state are flat-lined. We used to get 40% and that is declining to 26% and there will be a need to offset that. This earned income tax is becoming the wave of the future. They would appreciate our support in telling friends, family, neighbors, and groups you belong to about the levy. We will only be given one shot at this Earned Income Tax. If it does not pass, we will see a property tax on the levy in the spring. Ryan Ghizzoni, Treasurer answered questions and explained that if you live in Stow-Munroe Falls and have a job you will be affected on your earned income. On October 11th there will be speaker to help answer questions to the community. The levy committee is recruiting levy captains to go out into the community to recruit 5 people who will recruit 5 people and so on and so on. Dave Close motioned and Cyle Feldman seconded that the Booster Club formally endorse the levy campaign. It was a unanimous vote of the 33 members in attendance to carry the motion. Cyle Feldman motioned that we support the levy monetarily for \$250, if it does not violate the by-laws. Tom Harrell seconded and the motion unanimously carried

with the 33 votes of members in attendance. Mike Weddle will check the by-laws for approval.

Coaches Reports:

Boys Basketball – We're coming off a dead period. Starting conditioning and in the weight room.

Girls Basketball - Our dead period is over. Starting conditioning.

Softball – One highlight is a 2-team indoor league that will include returning lettermen and J.V. We are also having a Pitching clinic. We're finalizing our schedule and opening up with N. Canton. It will be a tough schedule. We've been invited to the Wendy's Classic in Ashland and possible tournament in Columbus. Renovations will soon begin on the lower field.

Kimpton – Volleyball is going very well. Cross Country is very strong, largest number of kids out for Cross Country. Soccer is having a great season.

Boy's Golf - We are 9-0 overall and 4-0 in the WRC with 3 matches left. We played in 6 tournaments, and won 2, finished 2nd and 4th. Finished 6th in the College of Wooster Tournament which is a very prestigious tourney. We have tied and set many individual and school record. The kids are really playing well.

Cheerleading – Thanks for the new uniforms. They're in and look great! We had our first competition and won 1st place and have been invited to their nationals to compete.

Girl's Golf – Penny Osgood reported. We are officially a Varsity Sport. Eddie Clark is the coach. We are 8-1 overall and 3-1 in the WRC with 2 more matches, then WRC and sectionals. We're moving in the right direction. Cyle and Ken Miller both praised Penny Osgood for starting up and being the driving force in getting girls golf going.

Baseball – We're in a dead period. We'll start winter conditioning to get ready for the spring.

Swimming – Off-season. The kids are starting pre-season club teams. Lost of interested freshman with prior swim experience. We're looking forward to this season.

SIDE BAR – Tom Harrell is very happy that the Men's Room Issues at the high school have been resolved. He couldn't say enough about how wonderful they now are.

Athletic Director Report

It means a lot when things like the Superintendent and Levy Committee speak to us. We need to remain positive. It's trickle down economics and as it trickle downs, Athletics will only get better.

Thanks to the Press Box Crew. It looks great!!! Lots of positive, good comments.

Scoreboard Spotlights need to be addressed. We need poles below the scoreboard with a couple of spotlights on the advertising signs. Tom Steiger from SYF gave Cyle the name of a lighting person who Cyle will meet with to discuss.

We can no longer charge for parking for district volleyball, basketball, etc. per the North East District Board. We will however be able to charge for Regionals - \$2.00 per car. Those dates are Nov. 1st and Nov. 4th.

Old Business

The Press Box look awesome.

New Business

Coaches' wish lists need to be submitted by September 30th. If you don't come up with a wish list, shame on you.

NFL tickets will be due October 11th. If you'd like to turn stubs and money in earlier, please contact a Booster Officer.

Winter Sports – Please remember to submit any and all new records for the winter sports program. Cyle will send coaches a reminder.

Dave Close motioned that we adjourn the meeting. Bob Podges seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

