

STOW-MUNROE FALLS ATHLETIC BOOSTER MEETING
January 10, 2007

Chuck Obendorf called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. Last month's minutes were reviewed by all. Motion to approve by Bart Kimble with Mike Drozin second. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence : Mike Weddle read a thank you note from the Swimming and Diving Team thanking the boosters and members for their continued support.

Treasurer's Report: See attached report. Neil reviewed the report and went over the various columns. Thanks to all for selling NFL tickets – 100% of the profits for the NFL ticket goes back to the teams that sold them. Please see Neil to spend the money by 6/30 or we will consider it a donation to the Booster Club.

Committee Reports:

Membership - Kathy Maruna reported membership is up to 295 – we're looking to reach at least 300 members.

Advertising – still collecting money. We lost Eddie's Bike shop for the winter program.

Chili Dawg Open –Ed Ferencz reported that he and Barb have secured the date at Classic Fairways for March 3rd. They've also secured the menu. Would like to have each coach try to sell 4 tickets and each Coach/Team donate 1 Silent Auction item worth approximately \$50.00. The time of the event is 1:00 – 5:00.

Night at the Races – Ed reported per Keith Berlan that things are progressing well. Cyle mentioned that we talked last meeting about raising the price of admission to \$25.00 per person and raise the horses to \$20.00 per horse. Ed will pass that info on to Keith.

Hall of Fame – Chuck reported that per Dave Hawley things were moving forward.

Coaches Reports:

Boy's Soccer – Winter indoor leagues have started. Thanks to the Boosters for the shirts and the bus and everything you've done. We'd like to return our NFL money to the Booster Club to help off-set those expenses. All you did made it very special to all of us. Thank you.

Softball – Indoor practice almost over. Pitchers and catchers start in February.

Bowling – We are in the middle of our season. J.V. girls are undefeated and boy's in 2nd place. Varsity girls in 3rd place and boys in 4th place. We're very excited with 4 freshmen on the Varsity team. We are having a fundraiser on the 19th from 9:30 – 1:00 with unlimited bowling, great prizes and raffles. It will be \$25.00 per person or \$25.00 to sponsor. Please come out and support us.

Girls Golf – We've been at Classics. Eddie Clark is working there and it's amazing what a difference it makes putting a club in the girls hands over the winter.

Kimpton – Wrestling is coming along, a lot of young wrestlers this year. Girl's basketball cuts have been made and are in full go. Schedule Star for Kimpton is now on the web-site to keep you updated just like the high school. Boy's 8th grade basketball team is 8-4 with Danny Harrell coaching. The 7th grade team is 10-2. We're at the end of our season with tournaments starting soon.

Baseball – We have 88 kids working out. Pitchers and Catchers start on President's Day. We've been asked back to Jacob's Field this year with the date being May 5th at 5:30. We'll be meeting to see who we're playing and will let everyone know.

Field Hockey – Indoor leagues on Mondays and Lacrosse's indoor leagues are on Tuesdays. We've been moved to Division 1 this year.

Football – We've been lifting and working out since Dec. 1st 3 days a week at 6:00 a.m. In February we'll move to 4 days and March will be at 5 days.

Swimming – The boys are 3-1 and the girls are 2-2. We took 3rd in the WRC cup this past weekend and so far have broken one school record.

Cheerleading – We were practicing with the Falls and cheered with them at the last game and will do it at our next game with Falls. We will be competing in Green with Kimpton cheerleaders for Kids Reading. If anyone has any children's books they'd like to donate please see a cheerleader or myself.

Basketball – We're half way through our season, playing solid defense and our offense is coming around. It's been exciting. The kids are an outstanding group that is fun to coach.

Volleyball – The boys have been having open gym. We'll be having a Super Scrimmage Saturday on March 17th starting at 9:00 a.m. So far there are 10 teams competing. We've been invited to the State Ohio Buckeye Classic in Columbus and will also be attending the NCAA men's championship game while we're down there.

Wrestling – We're in the middle of our season. We're 1-1 in our league. Tomorrow we'll be at home against Falls and home again on Saturday against Kent. We have one returning state qualifier who's 16-1 and 3 others with 1 loss. Looking forward to sectionals and districts. The youth wrestlers will be wrestling tomorrow starting at 5:30. Come out and see us at home; the kids love the support.

Cross Country – We're running and putting in the miles for next season.

Girl's Volleyball – We'll be having a fundraiser for all Volleyball sometime in February. More info at next meeting.

Track – We've been weight lifting, but not running yet. We'll get started in a month and a half or so.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Cyle introduced an intern that has been working with him. Andrew is from Kent State and on their baseball team. He's been instrumental in helping in the Athletic Office. Next year we will be in the N.E. Ohio Conference. Andy has been helping identify travel issues that may happen in the new conference; example if a team plays Elyria on a Tuesday, that's an issue in travel time and how late you'll get home , so we are trying to identify those types of problems and hopefully resolve them before the new conference is in place. He's also helping obtain other schools Athletic Handbooks to compare.

I've been given the task to develop Policies and Procedure Guidelines for Athletics and a Facility Improvement Plan. I will be meeting with the coaches to develop a plan on facilities along with the Booster Club, Mr. Bailey and Mr. Adams.

Spotlight on Stow is Wednesday, January 31st. The eighth graders and their parents will be visiting the school to see about curriculum, ect. We will also have all activities and sports available for them to talk to and obtain information from.

Monday, March 5th is the Spring Sports Meeting at 7:00 p.m. I will be shedding some light on travel problems we have when games are cancelled due to rain outs.

I'm passing out a letter I wrote that addresses the history of how the new conference came about that will hopefully answer any questions. Once you've read, feel free to contact me with any questions you may have regarding the new conference.

OLD BUSINESS:

Kathy Armstrong mentioned that the Levy will be coming again this Spring and it will be, unfortunately a property tax. Everyone hates to hear this but just keep in mind that if and when the cuts come, we will have to cut corners and it's going to be tough. Hopefully we'll become strong and unified and pass the levy.

Cyle mentioned that we will split the cost with wrestling for the t-shirts and shorts they have requested.

NEW BUSINESS:

There is a new form for requesting equipment/funds for the various teams. All coaches should have the form and when you have a request, it needs to be completed in full and returned to the Athletic Dept. who will in turn review and approve and turn in to the Booster Club for their review and approval. The main idea behind the form is the planning and preparation of your needs instead of the last minute requests. It also will help us to keep a good record as to what we do. It will determine what is covered by the Athletic Dept. and/or the Athletic Booster Club.

Thanks to Student Council for the cookies. Kim will send them a thank you note.

The next meeting is on Valentine's Day, Weds. February 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Mike Drozin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50p.m. and Mike Gabel seconded.

Meeting adjourned.

**Submitted by Kim DiSanto
Secretary**