

Mankato West Booster Club Meeting Minutes

Mon. October 27, 2008

The Booster Club met on Monday, Oct. 27th, at 6 p.m. in the West cafeteria. Members present included Kim & Mark Knutson, Joan Untiedt, Gary Mielke, Sandy Abild, Deb & Tod Weber, Sharon Euerle and Cindy Dutcher.

Secretaries' Report- The minutes from the September meeting were read and approved. Several thank yous were read: A thank you from the "Pack-the-Stands" soccer night, a thank you from the school board for the donation to West and DMMS, and another from DMMS for the uniforms and program equipment. I will write a letter to "The Chain Gang" as a thank you for their donation of \$100 per football sectional game. They have donated their pay to the booster club for each game.

Membership: Currently at 228. (Alumni memberships are 8 of those!).

Treasure's Report - Motion was made & approved to accept report as written. We have about \$18,000 of our money for the year allocated already. Thank you to the Pack-the-Stands committee for the nice donation of \$2800.00. This donation will be used as we continue to upgrade the soccer fields! A higher donation went to West (70%) than to East (30%) because of the % attendance.

Committee Reports:

Scarlet Saver Card: Now sales are about \$30,100. Tod & Deb presented the board with records of the saver card sales outlining where/when cards had been sold. We enjoyed their record keeping. It was interesting to look at the participation throughout the different sports teams at West and DMMS. We're a bit ahead from last year because there were no expenses this year.

Merchandise: Joan reported that sales seem to be good, bills are paid!! A Christmas sale is planned - although no new merchandise will need to be purchased for this. They plan on selling Scarlet-wear at a hockey game at the East/West hockey day in Dec.

Concessions: Expenses have gone up from vendors and our prices we charge have stayed the same - so, some profits are down. Sales are going well. Great volunteers - Sandy Guhlke is very organized and has done a wonderful job getting enough help and organizing the volunteers.

Sharon's Report:

Sharon started with a big thank you to the booster members and all we do! It is appreciated. Mr. Waltman also extends his thanks.

Requests:

#1 Girls Basketball (Diane Johns) requesting new travel warm-ups for all gir's basketball teams. (V, JV, B & C teams) She would like to promote girls basketball. All the teams would wear these to school on game days, and as they travel to away games. These would not be worn on the court - they have other warm-ups for that. She also reported that the girl's Bball team would be doing a free-throw hoop shoot to raise money - and the money raised would be put towards these warm-ups. Approx. \$3000.00 for 30-40 students. About \$75.00 each
(Board tabled request pending more information needed - Sharon will talk with Diane)

#2 Marquee Computer Upgrade. Sharon is requesting we upgrade our system. Aaron Daby reports it is on its last leg and is the original. New cost- \$400.00. Student Council has agreed to split cost with booster club. Our cost would be \$200.00.
(Gary Mielke will work with Aaron Daby on upgrade - perhaps Gary can find something cheaper - Board approved.)

#3 Girl's Cross Country (Scott Carlson) - Requesting 12 new warm-ups to fill-in sizes. These can also be worn for track also. \$1452.00 total cost. *(Board Approved)*

#4 West Boys/Girls Soccer. Request for \$3800.00 (Total cost \$5725.00 - district will pay \$1925.00) to pay electrical fee for new soccer scoreboard wiring. This wiring will also bring electricity to the shed, and for future concession stand.
(Board approved up to \$4000.00)

#5 Red & White Paint for football field hill. \$200.00. Parents would like to paint a checker-board for the section finals game. *(Board Approved - decided to use the chain-gang money that has been donated)*

Old Business:

Coaches Breakfast: Carla Chesley did a great job coordinating breakfast on Homecoming day for about 45 coaches. French toast, sausages and fruit were served.

New Business:

Winter Newsletter: Articles to Sandy Abild by 11/5. Cindy D. will also send Sandy some pictures.

Next meeting is Mon. Nov. 24th, 2008 6 p.m. in the West cafeteria.

Cindy D. will be gone - Secretary Sub. is needed.

4th Monday of each month. (No meetings in Dec., May & June)

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Dutcher, Booster Club Secretary.