

Mankato West Booster Club Meeting Minutes

Mon. September 22, 2008

The Booster Club met on Monday, Jan 28th, at 7 p.m. in the West cafeteria. Members present included Kim & Mark Knutson, Joan Untiedt, Tracy & Gary Mielke, Sue Schwickert, Kim Leiferman, Sandy Abild, Deb & Tod Weber, Carla Chesley, Sharon Euerle and Cindy Dutcher.

Secretaries' Report- The minutes from the June meeting, and the August board meeting were approved.

Membership: Currently at 210 members. Alumni membership forms went out to the 50 yr. reunion class. The 25 yr. class will also be given some. Winner of the free pass give-away was Beth Steinbach.

Treasure's Report - Motion was made & approved to accept report as written. Revenue sheet will need updating as lots of money is coming in at this time from clothing, concessions, and scarlet cards. Statement outlining what donations the booster club has made will be posted on our website.

Committee Reports:

Scarlet Saver Card: Over \$25,000.00 already in (last year totals were about \$32,750.00). Money has not been collected from all teams yet. Winter & Spring sports kids who are not in a fall sport will also be given cards and asked to sell. All expenses for the cards were donated this year for the first time. The printing was from Carlson Craft.

Merchandise: Sue & Kim reported sales are going well - some merchandise has already been re-ordered that they had completely sold out of. The new coordinators are surprised at all the work/time this has taken. Lots of hauling of tubs! The athletic office is requesting a few things to keep on hand to sell to people who call or stop by.

Concessions: Sandy reported that everything has been going well. She was surprised how busy the first football game was - and how early people want to buy items. Pretzels will now be purchased from food service - hoping they have less broken ones. Some prices have increased/decreased so that nothing is \$.75 anymore. Much easier for the volunteers to quickly add up totals☺ Contract for Sandy Abild was approved by the board for concession stand manager earning \$3000.00 for the '08-'09 school year.

Sharon's Report:

Request form has been given to all head coaches. **Scoreboards** have been ordered. 2 new gym ones were purchased in partnership with the Hakes family. Soccer scoreboard cost is already approved. Iron beams needed will be donated by Schwickerts. Bids are being looked at for the electricity from the school (DMMS) to the scoreboard, and if the district will split that cost with us. We would also like electricity if/when a concession stand is put in on that site. The new scoreboard will be placed at the corner so the fans/players/goalie can all see it. On back of scoreboard (facing the parking lot/2nd field) we would like to display soccer awards/state participations. **Fence toppers** look great - although a little more are needed to complete the entire campus fence. Could put more around press box & behind visitors bench. Sharon will have the extra lengths measured so we have an idea how much more is needed. Sharon has looked into **Put-in cups**. The bid for 9" high SCARLETS in 2 colors was discussed (about \$150). We are thinking it should be bigger so Sharon will ask about a larger amount and check on cost. Also look into the M/W logo cost.

Requests:

#1 Aesthetics Committee is requesting \$200 for help pay for showcases throughout the school for Scarlet featuring different teams/events/etc. They are hoping to put 1 case on each floor. They would also like to feature Scarlet merchandise from the Booster Club. *(Board approved)*

#2 Wrestling (Don Krusemark) requesting new warm-ups for the wrestling team. \$2500.00 *(Board approved)*

Old Business:

Tailgate Party: Record attendance! Planned on 200-served 228.(197 adults, and 22 youth) plus coaches. 15 Link Crew also attended for a discount (and we'll be reimbursed the other portion of their ticket from the Link Crew budget). Thank you to Jeff Ward for donating the hog again. Total cost about \$850.00 (\$300 to Butcher, \$125 tent, \$25 pop, \$60 buns, \$81 condiments/cookies. Took in \$1073.00. Notes for next year: Start at 5:30, serve until 6:45. Watch weather & order accordingly. More BBQ sauce with a squirt top!

Project 200: New ice machine just came in. New curtain needed to split area, cupboards need to be hung. It is REALLY being used - an after school girls club has even started!

New Business:

Budget: Month to month we'll watch money that has come in. List has been made of approximate costs for the year. Approved \$2500.00 to cover scrimmage costs for several teams.

Coaches Breakfast: Carla Chesley has volunteered to chair this event. Breakfast will be served on Homecoming morning, Friday Oct. 3rd. Sharon will send out invitations to coaches, maintenance staff, and administration. They will RSVP so there will be a # count. Menu: French toast with toppings!

DECA Club: Deca is wondering if they could have some booster merchandise to sell in their stand, and then keep some a % the sale for themselves. Booster club is not interested in this as profits are so small there wouldn't be anything to split! We encourage them to have their own items printed to sell.

Website: Gary would like more/current pictures from events/concessions/officers, etc. to post on our website.

Next meeting is Mon. Oct. 27th, 2008 6 p.m. in the West cafeteria.

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

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Dutcher, Booster Club Secretary.