

Mankato West Booster Club Meeting Minutes

Mon. March 22, 2010

The Booster Club met on Monday, March 22, 2010 in the West conference room. Thank you to all who attended. Members present included Pres. Barb Kaus, V.Pres Lisa Haman, Steve Isakson, Ken Essay, Sue Schwickert, Joann Nessler, Lori Jakes, Jen Kukuczka, and Cindy Dutcher.

Secretaries' Report- The minutes from the Feb. meeting were read and approved as written. It was decided to order new letter head stationary for correspondences with our new title: Mankato West All Activities Booster Club. Cindy will be done with this position at the end of this year - looking for new Secretary - Barb has an idea and will talk to her.

Treasure's Report - Steve handed out current balance sheets showing our finances (see reports). Total assets - \$70,230.52. Total restricted funds \$18,547.50. Steve reported that our total to year giving to West is \$14, 018.44.

Committee Updates:

Concessions: In the Spring the concession stand has typically only been open for track meets. The Concession Committee is looking into the feasibility of brining in a Pepsi wagon for concessions for softball games. They will look at the Spring sports schedule and look at days when tennis & softball overlap for days to possibly have it open. A new hot dog rotisserie will get opened for track season...bigger and hotter for cooking, and have an ample supply ready!

Elementary Public Relations: Great night at the boys basketball game youth night. 40+ elementary students attended and enjoyed the prizes, contests, "high 5's", autographs....!

Memberships- New: currently at 177 (no change from last meeting). Cindy will be done with this position at the end of this year and will need a replacement.

Memberships- Alumni: currently at 29. (no change from last meeting)

Merchandise: Kim L. sent a current inventory to Steve I. Sue S. reported that they will have a Spring merchandise sale and are working with the athletic office to select a date - perhaps Spring pops concert day. They are scheduled to sell at a WAVA Volleyball tournament also.

Scarlet Savers: ...another card was sole on 3/22!!

Website Update: Stacy S. is keeping our website updated.

Advertising Update: Quality 1 Hr. is working on mock-ups. Each Spring a bright orange fence is put up in the outfield of the softball fields. This year we are hoping to replace that with a 4' high fence with Scarlet/West logos to make it look so much better...and bring more school spirit with the plan of selling more advertising on the fence soon.

Ken's Report/Requests : Payments/bills brought to be paid (pre approved)- Winter programs from Quality 1 Hr. \$2878.70, AAA insert \$80.00, Fitness Center supervision, 3 bills totaling \$287.50, and background checks \$75.00.

Congrats to Matt Campbell and Andy Pfieffer on their AAA award.

Directory names that were requested were given to Booster board.

Celebrate the year! -Athletic/Theatre Fine Arts Spring Recognition Ceremony - plans are being worked on to celebrate the year with athletic & fine arts participants and their peers. AAA award winners would speak, a video with highlights of the year would be played, a booklet with names & recognitions would be printed. This would take place of the All Sports Banquet which is not being put on this year because of cost & loss of sponsor support.

Idea to have Quality put up a banner in the fitness center highlighting state participants each year - or other highlight. This would be a nice tradition, and would bring more "spirit" into the fitness center.

Football equipment update - With what we ordered last month our teams are set up in High School. Ken will now check into the Jr. High football equipment and make sure safety requirements are followed.

Booster video - Ken brought the idea to the Booster Club about a new video for the Fall PAC meeting to SELL the Booster Club. Highlight the activities the Booster have done/provided funds for....SELL the activities that night encouraging memberships and participation. Good idea!!

Choir robes are in - THEY ARE BEAUTIFUL! They will be worn this Spring at concerts and the Big 9 Music Festival to represent West. Perhaps a MW logo will be placed on the front white collar. Thanks LaDon for helping get those here so quickly. Booster are requesting to see them ☺

Requests:

Orchesis (cookies to sell at intermission), \$49.50 (*board approved*).

Tennis coach Eric Weisser- 1 tennis ball machine for boys & girls tennis teams, \$1180.00 (*board approved*).

Football equipment \$6500.00 - replace outdated equipment helmets & pads. Some 20-25 yrs. old/reconditioned. (*board approved*)

Educare - requesting a basket for a fundraising silent auction. (*board approved*) Sue S. will work on the basket with her merchandise committee - minimum value \$100.00

Do we want to be a water stop during the Mankato Marathon? This takes place Oct. 23rd in downtown Mankato. Could our stop be near West? We could promote West with our support. (*board approved*).

Old Business:

Bylaws: New bylaws will be posted on the website.

Fundraising committee:

Golf Tournament: Need update from LaDon.

Newsletter: Lisa & Barb will put this together, but are still needing more info. on what has been done in the past. They will be emailing committee chairs for articles.

New Business:

Future goals: What are we looking at in the future?

Adjournmentthank you everyone!

**Next Meeting is Monday, April 26th - 4th Monday!
7:00 in West conference room**

Respectfully Submitted:
Cindy Dutcher, Booster Club Secretary.