**Lansing Sports Boosters Club**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**January 16, 2020**

**ATTENDEES:** Officers Present: Rebecca Lovenheim (President), Bille Downs (Vice President) Deb Bell (Treasurer), Davina Desnoes (Secretary);

Members andGuests: Jen Dedrick, Jeff Hall, Jessie Hall, Brett Hotchkiss, Benji Parkes, Margaret Shackell, and Melissa Thibault.

**AGENDA ITEMS: (Meeting called to order at 6:01pm)**

November minutes approved with a few spelling edits.

* **Athletic Department News and Updates:**

Wrestling has about nine athletes: one senior from Southern Cayuga and most are 10th graders. There is one more home meet on 1/22.

Boys’ basketball – their tournament went well.

Indoor track – school records were set.

Girls basketball – it is young team but they are playing hard.

Swim – 13 athletes: seven freshman, 7 sophomores, 1 junior and 1 senior. There are 20-22 on modified.

Lifting club has about 21 – 22 students in grades 7 – 12.

Rec basketball has 33 kids.

Youth basketball also has cheerleaders.

Waiting for spring athletic meeting date.

Some coaches are starting to meet with teams.

Winter athletic awards will be on 3/19/2020 at 7pm.

Spring athletic awards will be on 6/11/2020 at 7pm.

Boosters will take part in senior athletic picnic with food trucks and will invite coaches from all seasons.

Athletic Council:

Tailgate in fall. What are we allowed to have? Dunk tank? Take back to athletic council to come up with ideas.

**New Membership Acknowledgments:**

None.

* **Club Correspondence:**

Thank you notes for state gifts.

* **Treasurer Report:**

The treasurer report was shared. As of December 31, 2019, the Booster General Fund Balance was $23,009.05 and the combined Team Account Balance was $48,909.97

* **Concessions:**

Thank Sabine when you see her for all of her efforts in keeping concession stacked and staffed.

Basketball parents support concession for their game. How can we get parents to volunteers to staff concessions in their student’s off-season?

Students can help with concessions for tournaments and youth events with adult support.

Need someone from Boosters to liaison with Jeremy Richardson to create training videos.

Sabine is willing to train parents and parent reps.

Can concessions training be part of the spring meeting.

We need a new hotdog grill at Sobus and the cost is around $1,000. The current one is not heating well and the non-stick is not working.

* **Web Store Sales and Marketing:**

Umbrellas look great and received positive feedback from their sales. Could we sell ponchos at football games?

The last web store had 37 orders with 112 items at a cost of $3,015. Boosters made a profit of approximately $100.

Thanksgiving feast was a great place to sell Lansing gear according to the PTSO which sold off the remaining inventory.

Can we have a sideline store open all year round with lots of options, logos and sports with home delivery service and could transition to specific gear based on season and sport.

Boosters is willing to manage the store and does not want to compete with other sports gear sales. We will talk with the middle school to see if they want to sell specialized gear like pajamas pants, blue hoodies with yellow print.

Boosters will stay away from promo items sold by high school classes and groups like water bottles.

Boosters will keep conversation open to work with other groups on specific fundraiser items.

Once something goes on the web store – it is open to everyone to purchase.

Logos will be a continuing conversation with coaches if they want help with their orders.

Christopher Lee (bowling coach) is interested in working with Boosters for his team sales.

Ask Matt Loveless to send reminder to coaches that coaches fund can be used to help pay for items individual students may not be able to afford.

* **Spirit/Sports Culture Initiatives:**

Half time fan games of skill has been going well. Classes have been selling balls for chuck-a-ball.

Boosters provides startup funds and donate proceeds from sales back to classes.

Classes looking for more volunteer opportunities for donations for their classes.

Pep rally is exciting and new for spring. Helps to incorporate teams and clubs to participate, social and emotional development and be excited. It’s good for the students to see what other students are involved in.

Spring pep rally TBA.

1/22/2020 senior night for wrestling.

1/24/2020 senior night for swimming.

1/31/2020 senior night for girls’ basketball.

2/11/2020 senior night for boys’ basketball.

Could boys and girls senior night be on the same night? Both Newfield and Southern Cayuga do this.

Spirit week usually have home sports event.

Bobcat team – students support students and they did a lot in the fall. This club is made up of about 5 students

Night of Life on 2/8/2020 looking for halftime event and profits can go to Camp Good Days.

* **Future Investments**

Need new sound system for baseball field. The current one you can only hear past first base but not all the way to third base.

Looking to invest in a portable sound system with microphone (the microphones are not wireless) and one that can be used in the rain. Could be used at modified games for basketball.

Boosters should get two of them so they can be used for events and sports meetings. Question about where they will be housed.

Updated sound system and put in the weight room that could also be used in the gym. The current quote is $4,000. Request was made to get a few quotes to upgrade with changes in technology to prolong life. Could we use the same people who set up the sound system in the auditorium?

For the gym, we could have a wireless mics and head set to keep hands free with speakers and connected in weight room. This would reduce cords at the tables where five people sit.

Moveable bleachers: 1,600 - 7 and ½ feet with four rows

$2,400 – 15 feet. This is the most common one.

$2,700 – 21 feet and hard to move.

Moveable bleachers cannot be over 36 feet high.

Concrete pads would work best.

Could we get sponsorship for bleachers and put names on it.

This could be an Eagle Scout project to put bases in.

Donations for concert pads – maybe from highway department.

Becca to follow up with recreation department of where they got their moveable bleachers from.

Where would be store them?

Physical Ed and coaches need more storage. Could we use pavilion and cover equipment or purchase covers to protect them.

* **Funding Requests:**

A funding request was approved to spend $1,000 on portable sound systems.

* **Miscellaneous Discussion:**

Discuss president/secretary elections coming up at the end of this year.

Can Boosters mailbox location be consolidated in the athletic office from its current three locations?

Boosters funding for an award that athletics to give out to any student and the parents do not have to be part of Boosters. We need to decide by March how this award would work and be different.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:36pm**

**NEXT MEETING:** February 20, 2020 6:00pm in the HS Cafeteria.