

02/12/18

**Whittell Boosters Meeting**

Minutes, begrudgingly submitted by Kindle Craig

**NOTE: No quorum established**

In attendance: Kindle Craig, Tahnje Weiser, Kim Aynedter, Susan Van Doren (standing in for Crespin Esquivel), Dana Buchholz, Kristy Kjer, Kevin Kjer, Pam Nelson, Tonja Elkins

Treasurer's Report: \$41,500 in savings and \$40,000 in checking. May want to consider a Money Market Account for future as we are not making any interest.

**Athletic Team Funding Process Discussion**

A proposed funding process was presented to the group for discussion and approval. (See attached) A couple changes were suggested to be made and will be incorporated into a version for approval by the full board. Changes: Include tournament fees as something that can be covered, include a bullet stating that the coaches agree that they are expected (mandatory) to have their teams (and/or parents) participate during the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July fundraiser and the Booster's annual golf tournament. It is expected that all teams do some type of fundraising. It is yet to be stipulated as to what is expected (i.e. percentage as that seems a little unfair as some equipment is very expensive and some is not....all should participate in fundraising and felt that helping to staff our 4<sup>th</sup> of July fundraiser and golf was very valuable as these are our largest fundraisers of the year and raise the bulk of our money. In addition, groups could raise supplemental funds by staffing a parking lot day any time in the summer (schedule permitting) and can help to sell Burger Night tickets or host their own fundraiser. Agreed to remove the bullet under Team Coaches that reads Specialty Items should not be a part of your fund requests. Please also see Coach Bryant's letter to further inform some additional edits that were made to the document.

It was also suggested that permanent role be added to the Boosters - the Athletic Department Liaison - This person could act as a go between with the AD/Boosters and could also assist the AD with inventories, etc.

**ACTION: A revised policy will be sent around to members for a vote. Once adopted the process will be handled by the AD and the Athletic Department Liaison.**

**ACTION: Final decision on if to fund the ski team jackets will be left to Coach Bryant as our policy details.**

**Whittell Field Project**

Kindle presented a spreadsheet of proposed additional charges the Booster's may want to consider funding to upgrade from the baseline offerings the district is funding. (See attached spreadsheet).

Much discussion ensued but here is an abbreviated version so you have some more information to inform your vote.

- Scoreboard Upgrade allows for a slightly larger (and much cooler!) scoreboard for an expense of \$5,193 (see rendering attachment). The rendering has some dummy type and advertising. We will have time to make changes to the text and the advertising is just to demonstrate that this design will allow us to solicit advertisers each season - so a revenue opportunity! **Approval not to exceed \$5,500.**

- Sound System Upgrade - suggest we go with the higher bid and that we seek **approval not to exceed \$5K**. This will allow for a bigger system and a portable system to use on the field.
- Cost to upgrade from bleachers to fixed Seating is TBD. We have a great photo of what we want and the cost is approximately \$200 per seat. However, we don't know how many seats we can fit. Our thought is to do a couple of rows of fixed seating (red) that we could sell as VIP seats each season and sell once for a plaque. Awaiting a cost from the vendor so this will have to be approved separately. **Approval TBD.**
- Snack Shack Sign - This is a sign that can be hung on the snack shack facing our opponents. It is possible to shorten the length of the sign and possibly allow for some other advertising possibilities. **Ask to approve the cost of the sign not to exceed \$1000.**
- Appliances for Snack Shack. Pam did a great job of measuring and sourcing items to outfit our snack shack. Some of the items will be able to move indoors once our field events are over. Some discussion was had i.e. I had added tax and shipping and some of that may be included. The Cappuccino machine will also make hot chocolate and we wanted the bid to include logo'd aprons, a menu board, and a new BBQ. **Ask to approve the cost of items for the Snack Shack not to exceed \$10,000 and the additional items need to be included.**

**TOTAL That will come to the Boosters for approval (net the seating) is \$21,500.**

#### **Golf Tournament Fundraiser**

Boosters Golf is scheduled for May 5&6 at Edgewood. Invites mailed and the email went out. If you would like us to send an invitation to someone you can send that info on to Kindle at [kindle831@gmail.com](mailto:kindle831@gmail.com). We definitely will need help the day of - so please sign up to help out! (see invite attachment)

**The meeting adjourned at 7pm.**