

WJHS All-School Booster Club

Meeting on 9/14/2005

Meeting opened: 7:35pm by Adeen Postar

Recorder: Molly Rehbehn

1. Welcome, introductions, invitation to sign-up to help with upcoming events.
2. Minutes of 5/11/2005 meeting approved as written.
3. Administration Report [C. Merrill, Asst. Principal]
 - a. Smooth opening of school year.
 - b. Hurricane Katrina relief drive underway. Goal is \$15,000; ~\$8,000 collected to date, deadline will be at Back-to-School-Night.
 - c. Eliot Berlin (WJHS '71) will come to WJ on Sept. 29th to show his documentary *Paperclips*. There will be a Q&A afterwards. Opening event to kick off our "respect and tolerance" theme for the year. This is being advertised throughout the cluster and we hope to fill the auditorium (1200 capacity) and overflow to the cafeteria. Other events will follow throughout the year (i.e., both STAGE productions fit this theme, etc.)
 - d. Sports season off to a good start.
4. Athletic Report [S. Amos]
 - a. Several new coaches this fall
 - b. Looking to improve academic performance of athletes – study halls have been started.
 - c. Ice machines have been repaired and are working properly.
 - d. Working to make sure published practice times are adhered to.
 - e. Need chaperones at games.
 - f. Team pictures have been taken.
 - g. Soccer teams (men and women) need volunteers to be timers and announcers.
 - h. Stadium speaker is broken and not repairable. It will be replaced.
 - i. Stadium field looks pretty good. Goal is to improve it enough to hold some night field hockey games on it.
 - j. Season passes can be purchased at the gate of any home game, probably will not be sold at Back-to-School-Night.
 - k. Question raised: we need to think about Homecoming tickets logistics; "pre-selling" tickets for both the Homecoming game and dance.
5. Membership Report [T. Forline]
 - a. Numbers look good in comparison to previous years; about \$10,700 to date, and we have not had Back-to-School-Night yet.
 - b. Will be sure that info for "extras" from the forms gets sent to proper people: season passes, volunteers, *Pitch* subscriptions, performance tickets, etc.
6. Treasurer's Report [A. Postar for L. Voigt]

(see attached report)

 - a. This report does not include disbursements to clubs/teams for 2004-2005 concession stand work.
 - b. This report does include funds donated for the scoreboard, and other monies already committed.
 - c. Because of pending changes, this is not representative of the funds we really have available.
7. Commissioners' Report [O. Droggitis]
 - a. All fall teams have commissioners, except Cheerleading

- b. Sent emails to commissioners highlighting, their responsibilities, importance of volunteering and Booster Club membership.
 - c. Fall Sports Awards night will be Wednesday, Nov. 30, 6:45 -9:00pm.
8. Concessions Report [A. Swindale]
- a. Still need groups to staff a variety of games, still need Captains.
 - b. There are many events staffed, and have the "fall-back" of Chick-fil-A sales if needed, but that brings in less money.
 - c. The refridgerator in the outdoor concession stand is not working properly; T. Stupp has reported it for repairs.
 - d. Need to get a First-Aid kit and a fire extinguisher. School will order.
9. Giant Gift Cards [L. Knecht]
- a. 2004-2005: We cleared \$1,015. This is 4% of face value of cards sold.
 - b. Would like to expand program, for example: selling small denomination cards at the School Store.
10. Citrus Sale [A. Postar]
- Elin Quigley has again agreed to chair this fundraiser.
11. Golf Tournament [A. Postar for M. Postar]
- a. Will be held at Needwood Golf Course, Sept. 25. Cost is \$85/person, including cart (but not club rental)
 - b. Have 36 registered so far, which should be ~\$800 profit.
 - c. Will need 3-4 more volunteers.
12. School Store [A. Postar for K. Vincent]
- Going well. Ordering new merchandise, including stadium seats (w/backs).
13. Scoreboard Fundraiser [S. Gentilucci]
- a. Committee of 5 people seeking corporate funds for new gymnasium scoreboard.
 - b. Goal is \$15,000, have collected ~\$8,000 to date. More potential donations, some commitments firm, some softer.
 - c. Hopefully this effort is the beginning of larger/long term effort to secure corporate support; so always looking for suggestions of companies to solicit.
 - d. Should have a good list of contributors soon.
14. Flea Market [A. Postar]
- Scheduled for October 8, but no one has come forward to Chair, so we will reschedule, probably for the Spring.
15. Old Business
- a. Informational review of Funding Request process.
 - b. Need Back-to-School-Night volunteers.
 - c. Funding Request (see attached): National Honor Society, \$400 for Freshman picnic. **Approved.**
 - d. Funding Request (see attached): Instrumental Music, \$800 for 4 timpani totes. **Approved.**
 - e. Funding Request: Discussed annual donation made to each Class. We now make these disbursements in the Fall so Freshman and Sophmore Classes have necessary funds for Homecoming events. Suggested: \$200/class; \$800 total. **Approved.**
16. New Business
- a. We received a letter of thanks for our candy donation to US military marathon organized in Iraq by WJHS alumnae Karla Graves. (see attached) Note: In June donated unsold concession stand candy.
 - b. Grill used at games worn out, A. Postar bought a new one as season opened.

c. We need a committee to look at fundraising schoolwide, as done by individual groups and by the Booster Club as a whole. We need to be sure we are in compliance with MCPS guidelines.

Meeting adjourned: 9:25pm

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, October 11, 2005.** (*Meeting will be held one day earlier than usual because of a conflict with Yom Kippur.*)