Meeting Minutes for Lovejoy Cross Country Booster Club September 25, 2006

Greg Christensen, Lovejoy Cross Country Coach, facilitated the meeting.

In attendance were Greg Christensen, Anne Day, Lillian & Alfredo Cano, Jenny Parkinson, Vincent Vhe, Tamara Woodruff, Angie Fisher, Angie Schlemmer, Nancy and Uli Gienger, Janet Coker, Kersey Smith, James Jolliffe, Mike and Eve Guilbeau.

Coach Christensen led off with a discussion of the Lovejoy Jamboree held on September 23rd at Brockdale Park. The meet was well received by visiting coaches and runners alike and will take a similar form next year. The intent is to limit attendance to a similar number of teams. The trophy presentation after the meet is generally not done at other meets and is something the kids enjoyed.

The upcoming meet in Round Rock and the team trip to the Fayetteville meet were discussed. On both the Round Rock and Fayetteville trips, a form needs to be filled out for runners that ride there with Coach Christensen to ride back with parents. Details are below:

Round Rock Meet:

For the Round Rock Meet, the high school runners will leave with Coach Christensen at 9 am on Friday morning, Oct 6, from the school. They'll stop in Hillsboro at the Nike outlet, eat at Schlotzky's in Waco, and arrive in Round Rock around 1pm. Attendance by middle school runners is voluntary. Interested runners can ride with parents or other adults.

All available runners will meet in the lobby of the hotel at 3pm, and caravan to the racecourse, about 4 miles away. They'll jog the racecourse that afternoon.

The race in Round Rock is early Saturday morning for 7th and 8th grade, followed by the 9th grade runners. Our races will be finished by around 10am. High School runners run later in the day

Deadline for hotel registration in the places blocked out for Lovejoy is October 1. Since there are other events taking place, hotel space may be difficult to come by after that date. The courtyard hotel is already full, the Springhill/Comfort Suites still have rooms available, as does the Wyngate Inn.

Fayetteville Meet:

This meet takes place on October 14. Attendance at the Fayetteville meet for both High School and Middle School runners is voluntary. The Lovejoy teams will not run at this meet, but will have the chance to see some of the top cross-country runners in the nation at one of the top three national meets.

The team will leave on Friday during the day, time to be determined. Coach Christensen will take interested high school runners.

The racecourse is on Farm Bureau land, close to Rogers, Arkansas. There is a University of Arkansas football game on that weekend, so reservations will need to be made as soon as possible. There is the possibility of staying at a retreat (Sequoia Mountain) which has 18 dorm-style rooms.

A master contact list needs to be made for the trips to allow people attending to contact each other or the coach. In addition, runners should bring a sleeping bag to the meets in case of cold, windy conditions.

Our next meeting has not been scheduled, but will be before the post season banquet. Track starts after Christmas, and Coach Christensen plans on Lovejoy attending the Houston Indoor meet in late January

Respectfully submitted,