

**Cross Country / Track Booster Club
Meeting Minutes – prepared by Kim Tedford
September 3, 2013**

Officers Present:

Bob Brands, Vice President
Libby Hartter, Treasurer
Kim Tedford, Secretary

Coach C, Coordinators and some BC members were also in attendance.

Agenda Items

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| 1. Call to Order | Bob Brands |
| 2. Review Minutes from the last Meeting | Kim Tedford |
| 3. Treasurer Report | Libby Hartter |
| 4. Membership Report | Bob Brands |
| 5. New Business | All |
| 6. Adjourn | |

Discussion

1. Call to Order

With our fearless leader, John, away in China, Bob called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Bob welcomed all and shared his excitement for the upcoming year and working together as a booster!

2. Review Minutes from Last BC Meeting

Kim Tedford sent out minutes prior to meeting and had some copies at the meeting. Bob Brands motioned to approved minutes and Libby Hartter seconded the motion - minutes were approved.

3. Treasurer Report

Libby Hartter presented the proposed 2013-2014 budget (see attached). Bob Brands moved to approve the working proposed budget – Camille Joiner second it. Budget approved.

4. Membership Report

Bob Brands reported that we currently (more were turned in during the meeting) have around 57 athletes representing 43 families. 12 of these families joined at the upgraded Olympic level. This amounts to about \$3,175 collected so far in membership. The hope is to gain a bit more of the athletes and a few more volunteers for all areas. *A reminder to share with parents that their membership dues account for free admission for athlete into the banquet later in the season.*

5. New Business

a. **Season Overview & Meet Needs – Greg Christensen**

Greg shared that he feels good about the upcoming season. The time trials looked good and feels we are ‘light years’ from last year as a whole. The organizers of 1st meet on 9/14 in Grand Prairie have limited the entries to 10 athletes for Varsity and 10 athletes for JV. Usually there is not a limit to the JV section. Greg will inquire about paying additional entry fees to allow for more teams and therefore more athletes. This course is the new Regional course (a switch from Arlington the last several years) – so it will be good for our athletes to see the course prior to the Regional meet.

For the 9/28 LOVEJOY(Myers Park) meet, Greg will have a *pre-meet meeting on 9/17* to discuss the volunteer needs. There are 11-12 teams signed up (up from last year). Look for more information coming out for volunteer needs but some areas will more than likely be:

I. Friday race path **set up**.

II. **Hospitality** table for the coaches- simple- donuts & coffee

III. about 4 Gators for the race guides.

IV. **Course monitors**: 10-12 parents to help with course monitoring. Need to be at race from around 7:00am – 12 Noon.

b. **Arkansas Travel/Decatur Meet (10/5) – Greg Christensen**

October 4th /5th - Greg will take the top 10 boys and girls (20 athletes) to Arkansas for the Chili Pepper race. He has already arranged for the hotel accommodations for the athletes. The athletes will be asked to pay for their food (dinner Friday, breakfast Saturday, lunch Saturday) and registration fee for race. They do not have to register to run. But if they want to get timed and recorded, they need to register(10K open race). *He needs a few parents to drive the athletes- please email Greg if you are able to drive 4-5 athletes and then Greg will give you a number to call to verify logging for said adult drivers.*

The remaining athletes will compete in the Decatur Meet on 10/5. The middle school squads will also be competing that day in Decatur.

c. **Spirit Wear & Yard sign/decals update – Marlo Ballard & Betsy Bitner**

Spirit Wear has had a great start- good job to Marlo and Betsy with the catalog of choices!! *The deadline to order is 9/5* so that they can process the order and hopefully have everything back for the first meet. The Lovejoy home meet t-shirts look great- the order will be smaller than the spring, like 50, so let Marlo & Betsy know if you want one to help them gauge the order for sales at the meet. *Libby Hartter motioned that we make 9/6/13 (order day of the spirit wear) our Tax Free Day for the fall. Camille Joiner seconded it and it was approved.*

Kroger cards are still in flux with new plan that Kroger is adjusting. Linda Jones is working on the details and will share the new process once she has been told by Kroger. So keep using your old card until otherwise notified, all others – stay tuned for new process soon!

d. **Concessions Update – Louisa Lang**

Concessions has been made easy this year with ‘on the job training’ instead of the past required pre training! Go to the Lovejoy website and sign up. The booster will be paid \$9.60/hour for your volunteer time. Unfortunately, you have to sign up for the full game but just coordinate with a friend and share the time as you ‘tag’ one another half way through! It is an easy way for the booster to make money and it is actually a lot of fun!

e. **LLI Golf Tournament (9/20) – Bob Brands**

Bob reminded everyone that the golf tourney is Friday, September 20st at Heritage Ranch. The tourney is still receiving donations and player sign ups so register soon! We get 90% of our sponsorship monies. When signing up to play, make sure that XC is referenced as the sport benefitting. Remember that LLI will need about 2 weeks for signage, so get sponsors now to ensure they will be properly recognized. We have one sponsor currently and one foursome. If you enjoy being outdoors (don’t need to be a golfer)- sign up for a foursome and the booster benefits too! If anyone is passionate about golf and wants to be our ‘representative’, please let Bob Brands know – bob@therealestateadvisor.net

f. **XC Banquet Update – Camille Joiner & Jennifer Lindelof**

Camille has already confirmed the date of November 14th at SCMS for the banquet. AND our wonderful Jim McGuinness has again offered to do the slide show! Jim explained a bit about what he will be doing and for senior parents to look for some emails from him closer to the banquet. Kim Tedford offered to do senior gifts(an email will go out to senior parents explaining the UIL rule of no gifts so they will have to pay for the ‘gift’ if they desire their athlete to have one) Camille will send out an email inquiring about more help later. Bob & Flora Brands will get the individuals to Camille that signed up to help out on the membership forms as well.

g. **Nike Gear order open –**

Greg will send out a new link and password for Nike orders. It will be open until September 13th. Get your athlete some winter/rain gear to get prepared for the hopefully changing of seasons soon! ;)

h. **Parent/Athlete Team Gathering – September 28th**

There will be a parent and athlete dinner and hangout on September 28th. Look for more details soon, but mark your calendars today!

i. **Country Run –**

There is no formal planning for the Country Run at this time. We will convey any information as LLI gives to us.

j. **Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm. Next meeting is October 1st at 7:00pm in the Lecture Hall.