

Cross Country / Track Booster Club
Meeting Minutes – prepared by Camille Joiner
November 03, 2015

Officers Present: Libby Hartter, President
Bob Brands, Vice President
Tracy Spruell, Treasurer
Camille Joiner, Secretary

Coach C, Coach Kelly, Coordinators and BC members were in attendance.

Agenda Items

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| 1. Call to Order | Libby Hartter |
| 2. Minutes from last month's meeting read | Camille Joiner |
| 3. Treasurer's Report | Tracy Spruell |
| 4. Coaches Report/Team Needs | Coach C &
Coach Kelly |
| 5. Membership Update | Bob Brands |
| 6. Updates | All |
| 7. New Business | All |
| 8. Adjourn | |

Discussion

- 1. Call to Order**-Libby Hartter called the booster meeting to order at 7:03.
- 2. Minutes** – Reviewed and approved by Jennifer Hendrix and Monique Carson seconded the motion.
- 3. Treasurer's Report** – Budget was presented by Tracy Spruell. We will have approx. \$17.3k in the bank this month. We will have \$4.4k in discretionary funds after the purchase of \$5.6k in track needs. (See attached report). We had an audit which went very well.
- 4. Membership** –Have received approx. \$5.8K to date. This is a 70% increase from last year. We have 85 high school members and 38 middle school members.
- 5. Coaches Report: Team Outlook.**
 - a) Coach C (Distance Girls and Boys):** The District and Regional races went very well and all athletes did well and had a good time. The State Meet will be at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock on November 7th. Please come down and support the athletes and greet the bus at Lovejoy when they get back Saturday night around 8:00 pm. We have two middle school meets on Nov. 10th & Dec. 1st at Celebration. The HS athletes will help with these meets. There are approx.. 80 8th grade runners.
 - b) Coach Kelly (Track):** Track season is fast approaching. The Arkansas Indoor is on Jan. 16th with more information to follow. The team will be staying at the Staybridge Suites and the athletes will pay online through the school store for their rooms. We will host a pole vault meet on Jan. 23rd and we may charge an entry fee. We will host two WSMS track meets on Mar. 3rd and Mar. 24th. We will have our Lovejoy Invitational Meet on Mar. 5th and we will need parent help with this meet. Our track schedule should be posted on the web site. Coaches are also looking at a fundraiser possibly held at the Sloan Creek track to be called the Chocolate Milk Mile for the distance athletes and the Chocolate Milk Dash for the sprinters. More details to come.

4. Updates and New Business

- 1. Spirit Wear** –Betsy reported they are working on the spring track gear. All athletes that received a state hoodie need to pay the booster club \$35.

2. **Fall Festival** – Thanks to all of the families and volunteers who helped make the Fall Festival the best one yet. We just have three teams that need to pay. See Austin G. for the video.
3. **Scholarships** – Forms were due back on November 3rd. 16 athletes were eligible.
4. **Fundraising** – Sign up now. To enroll in the Kroger card program, go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com Click on “Create an Account” or “Sign In” if you already have an account. Our NPO number is 94850. See Carey Tiff if you have questions. Firehouse Subs will help us with a fundraiser/donation later this year. There is also a new fundraising card coming out soon similar to the one the football team sells. All clubs will benefit from the proceeds.
5. **LLI Golf Tournament** – We made \$600 from the tournament.
6. **Reading With The Leopards** – Went very well.
7. **Website** – Jim McGuinness is our webmaster and we have a new website. Go to the Athletics page on the Lovejoy website, click on Cross Country, find the link LJXCTF.org, enter *user name harrier* and *password trecho* to access. It will have archived photos and information from 2007 to current. There is also a new website for Lovejoy that includes recaps of all athletics – Lovejoyathletics.com.
8. **Cross Country Banquet** – November 12th at 7:00 p.m. at Sloan Creek. Colleen has 104 RSVP’s to date. Please let her know ASAP if your family and athlete plan on attending. Anyone that can help set up, please be there around 2:00 pm. Jim McGuinness has set up a dropbox for each senior to attach pictures for him to use in the video. He is still lacking a few seniors pictures needing pictures in their dropbox. You know who you are! Grace Sutter has sent out requests from senior parents regarding the purchase of a memory blanket. The blankets will still be \$25 each. Let her know right away if you would like to purchase one for your athlete and get her your money. She also needs three pictures to display for the seniors – one baby, one middle school and one hs running.
9. **Steeplechase Barriers** – Jeff Joiner reported that he has purchased the base material and has it cut. Needs to order the aluminum and will look at a few dates to work as a group over the Thanksgiving holidays. More information to come soon.
10. **Posters** – Colleen Gaccione reported that we have 13 entries so far. This year we advertised the contest in the Thursday folders. Next year it may be better to work with the art teachers. The pictures that have been submitted showing “What does a cross country running shoe look like” are really good. They will be displayed at the banquet.
11. **Public Affairs Liaison** – Contact Monica DesJardins with anything you would like to include in her broadcast. We now have someone from the Red Ledger attending our meets and including a write-up and photos.
12. **Giant Leopard Head** – We need an artist to repaint our tiger head to look like a Leopard.
13. **Country Run** – Each club (sport) will need to find \$1500 in sponsors to participate in the fundraising and every club will have to run in the event. Carey Tiff will head up our subcommittee.
14. **Coaches Gifts** –
 - Greg - \$200 & hoodie
 - Logan - \$200 & hoodie
 - Jan - \$240
 - Jim - \$500
15. **Officers** –
 - **President** – Libby Hartter
 - **Vice President/Membership** – Bob Brands
 - **Secretary** – Camille Joiner
 - **Treasurer** – Tracy Spruell

- **Banquet Coordinator** – Colleen Gaccione
- **Senior Gifts** – Grace Sutter
- **Fundraising** – Carey Tiff
- **Hospitality/Concessions** – Christin Hockersmith
- **Spirit Wear** – Marlo Ballard, Betsy Bittner and Paige Meyers
- **Public Affairs/Historian** – Monica DesJardins
- **Newsletter** – Stephanie McGowen
- **Scholarships** – Flora Brands
- **Middle School Liaison** – Cindy Bittlestone

Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm. Next Booster Club meeting is December 1.