

Cross Country / Track Booster Club

Meeting Minutes – prepared by Camille Joiner

January 05, 2016

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

Coach C, Coach Kelly, Coach Carly, 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 7:00.
- 2. Minutes** – Reviewed and approved by Bob Brands and Joan Lange seconded the motion.
- 3. Treasurer's Report** – Budget was presented by Tracy Spruell. We have approx. \$16.8k in the bank this month. (See attached report). Still waiting on (2) teams to pay from the Fall Festival. Received a check from Kroger for \$223. Also need a few girl and boy athletes to pay for their state hoodie. Parents, please make checks payable to the booster club for \$35.
- 4. Membership** –We have approx.. 85 high school members and approx.. 38 middle school members. We want to make sure all track families know about the booster club and the benefits it provides to the track and field athletes. Coaches will be emailing out membership forms to the track parents. We will also host a high school Track Social on January 14th and a middle school Track Social on January 26th.
- 5. Coaches Report: Team Outlook.**
 - a) Coach C (Distance Girls and Boys):** The December MS meet went great. Will have approx.. 120 team members this fall. We have a new MS coach and assistant HS coach – Carly Littlefield. She will be at Sloan Creek in the day and also filling in at Willow Springs. This fall, Coach Carly will be over the girls and Coach Kelly will be over the boys. We have the football boys coming into track now and the girls came over after Thanksgiving. May also have a few come from volleyball.
 - b) Coach Kelly (Track):** Ice Cream socials for both MS and HS will be held this month and team pictures will be January 27th at the Indoor Training Facility at 4:30. The Arkansas Indoor is on Jan. 16th and every athlete has paid their entry fee and hotel cost. We will be caravanning for anyone who wants, leaving from the field house at 9:00 am Friday. The team will be staying at the Staybridge Suites. We will host a pole vault meet on Jan. 23rd and have 90 athletes signed up. We may need some parent help, this is an all-day event. We are selling tee shirts and Libby will check with Mr. Puckett about having a snack bar. Ella Bassett is making the tee shirts to sell and Coach Kelly designed a fun logo for the event. We will host two WSMS track meets on Mar. 3rd and Mar. 24th. We will have pizza for the middle school coaches' hospitality room. We will have our Lovejoy Invitational Meet on Mar. 5th and we will need parent help with this meet. We will have breakfast and lunch at the high school meet for the

coaches' hospitality room. Will look into Chick-fil-a or Firehouse Subs. Our track schedule is posted on the web site.

6. Updates and New Business

1. **Spirit Wear** –New spring track gear is in the works from Fancloth. There will be an order form shortly for any athlete needing gear. The orders will be due January 27th and we would like each athlete to try and order at least two items. **All athletes that received a state hoodie need to pay the booster club \$35.**
2. **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.
3. **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.
4. **Steeplechase Barriers** – The barriers are approx.. 65% complete. Two need wrapping with the track material and the stationary water barrier needs construction work. The barriers will be ready for our first meet this spring. The next work session will be posted shortly.
5. **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. Please take photos at the meets and share them with Monica.
6. **Giant Leopard Head** – We need an artist to repaint our tiger head to look like a Leopard.
7. **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 is working on some area doctors as possible sponsors. Also need a title sponsor for \$10.0k
8. **Taos High Altitude Training Camp** – The camps are already being planned and we are adding two weeks for a developmental camp for our incoming freshman athletes. The more exposure our athletes have on the front end, the better for depth and experience down the road. Dates coming soon.
9. **Middle School Liaison** – Cindy Bittlestone hosted an end of season celebration for our middle school athletes. It went very well. We will be hosting an Ice Cream Social on January 26th.
10. **State Banner** – Would like to get a State Runner-up banner like we have hanging in the gym. David Myers approved the motion to pursue the banner and spend \$500 or less and Tracy Spruell seconded the motion. Camille Joiner will follow up with Kim Tedford and she who the contact company is.
11. **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 Myers

- **Public Affairs/Historian** – Monica DesJardins
- **Newsletter** – Stephanie McGowen
- **Scholarships** – Flora Brands
- **Middle School Liaison** – Cindy Bittlestone

Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm. Next Booster Club meeting is February 2.