

Cross Country / Track Booster Club
Meeting Minutes – prepared by Camille Joiner
February 02, 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 7:02.
- 2. Last Month Minutes** – Reviewed and approved by Amber Cnossen and Monique Cardwell seconded the motion.
- 3. Treasurer's Report** – Budget was presented by Tracy Spruell. We have approx. \$18.4k in the bank this month. (See attached report). Received approx. \$1000.00 in entry fees and \$350.00 in tee shirt sales from the Indoor Pole Vault meet we held in January. We have approx. \$10.0K in discretionary funds. Have paid out almost all of the approved \$1500 for Steeplechase construction supplies. Will have complete tally by next meeting.
- 4. Membership** –We have approx. 84 Cross Country / Track & Field members and approx. 25 Track & Field members. 50 of those memberships are 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 have been emailing out membership forms to the track parents. We hosted a High School and Middle School Track Social in January and had a great turnout. We have taken in approx. \$700 in memberships from track families to date.
- 5. Coaches Report: Team Outlook.**
 - a) Coach C (Distance Girls and Boys):**
 - i) The Arkansas Indoor meet went great. Looking forward to our first outdoor meet on Feb. 20th at Wylie High School and the McKinney Boyd Relays on Feb. 27th. The new district alignment is out with all new schools for us in our district.
 - b) Coach Kelly (Track):**
 - i) The Indoor Pole Vault meet went very well and we raised almost \$3000 for the school. Looking into hosting a winter Indoor Pole Vault meet with a third pit.
 - ii) Our girls will have more depth this year. We have 11 girls working with Amber C. on high jump but we need more girls for throws. Coach Denton is working with the boys field events.

- iii) 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. There are (8) eight teams in the meet - Forney, Birdville, Prosper, Hampton Prep., St. Marks, Hockaday and Highland Park. 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. Look for a Sign Up Genius email shortly to sign up to help with the home meets.
- iv) There will be some costs associated with the HS meet that will need Booster Club financial help. We can only charge \$400 per team and \$2800 will not be enough to cover the following:
 - (1) Meet Official - \$250
 - (2) Meet Announcer - \$200
 - (3) Tee-shirts
 - (4) Hospitality for Coaches
- v) We will have a concession stands at all three meets. We will receive 30% of the sales that can go toward meet costs.

6. Updates and New Business

1. **Spirit Wear** –New spring track gear has been ordered from Fancloth and Gandy. Gear should be delivered before our first meet.
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 was also a new fundraising card 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. If you have taken photos at the track meet, Jim will help us get those uploaded to the site.
4. **Track Team Posters** – Request was made to order 50 posters for \$400 from Buzz. Motion was approved by Carey Tiff and seconded by Bob Brands.
5. **Steeplechase Barriers** – The barriers are 100% complete. The stationary water barrier needs some work on the landing area. We will need some financial assistance from the school district.
6. **Meet Meals** – Order forms are due to Flora Brands the Thursday before the first meet. Contact her at florabrands@gmail.com. See attachment for details.
7. **Scholarships** – Look at possibly providing all seniors with a scholarship based on contributions to the program. Will make a decision in early April.
8. **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.
9. **Giant Leopard Head** – We need an artist to repaint our tiger head to look like a Leopard.
10. **Country Run** – Will be held on May 7th. 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. Each booster club will receive \$2 per entry for each runner registered from their club.
11. **Track Banquet** – May 17th at Sloan Middle School. Will look into only charging \$20 per person. More details to come soon. See Colleen Gaccione if you have any questions.

- 12. 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.
- 13. Middle School Liaison** – Cindy Bittlestone hosted an Ice Cream Social last month that went very well. She will be needing parent help with the track meets on March 3rd and March 24th.
- 14. State Banner** – The banner design was approved and will be on order this week for \$200.
- 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 Myers
 - **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 March 1.