

Leon High School Soccer Boosters

Minutes from meeting on February 11, 2015

Attendance: Kent Smith, president; Susan Poplin, treasurer; Joy Ira, Melissa Lescher, Vice President; Hal Beardall, Kelly DiSalvo, Christy Williams, Jamie McBrearty, Varsity Coach.

Approval of Minutes: The motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting was made by Christy and seconded by Melissa. The minutes were then approved unanimously.

Financial Report: The financial report was given by Susan Poplin, treasurer:

The balance on the External Acct as of Jan. 31, 2015 is \$6,673.47.

The balance on the Internal Acct as of Jan. 31, 2015 is \$14,724.69.

The balance on the Credit Card as of Jan. 31, 2015 is \$88.95.

The report was unanimously approved.

Discussion on the report: Susan noted that at the present time all internal and external accounts were up-to-date.

The good news for us was that the concessions and the merchandise accounts made money for the Boosters this year.

Concessions brought in \$1464. Which is over what we had budgeted!!

Merchandise brought in \$1129 which is also better than we had anticipated.

The two fundraisers, Boston Butts/Ribs and Genghis Grill also made money, but not as much. The Butts made \$3000 but we spent \$2400 – so only a \$600 fundraiser. This is partially due to the folks who pay the profit and don't participate. There was discussion about how to increase this profit or whether this fundraiser is still viable. It is a parent driven fundraiser. It may be that with our healthy budget we can re-think this fundraiser or do away with it without affecting assessment fees. This will be a discussion for later in the spring.

Upcoming expenses include: banquet, scrapbook, website, assistant coaches recognitions and awards. Even with these expenses it looks like a healthy budget.

UNC-G Summer Camp is all at the Boy's expense so that isn't a budget expense to worry about.

Jamie noted that as we look forward for the budget next year we have to consider that we will probably be adding another bus trip due to our having more games with teams to the west.

Jamie and Susan will meet to do an analysis of the budget with consideration for new expenses and get a realistic budget for next year.

Banquet:

1. Insurance for St. John's – Jamie emailed a letter with the insurance info but will re-send that to be sure Melissa has it for St. John's.
2. Certificate & Printing Awards – Kent will do these
3. Awards – Jamie and Dan went through Tim Yoho and could also get the blankets from him and Jamie will do this next year. But the blankets have already been ordered through Awards4You this year. The other awards will be from Tim Yoho. These expenses will run through the internal account. Dan already has been working with the school and Tim on the accounting for this.
4. Christy, Kate and Kelly will work together to decorate. Kelly will bring her box of decorations supplies. Kate is doing a "turf" table decoration. The banquet begins at 7 p.m. Decorators will arrive before 5 p.m. Front tables will be reserved for the Players to sit in order that they can "see and engage" fully.
5. The Board will ask for Ashley to send out an Evite to invite people and in order to have people RSVP for how many people are coming reminding them that they have 3 free tix and beyond that the cost is \$10. The deadline for the RSVP is Friday March 6 so we can give Fran at St John's a week's notice for #s. Evite's send reminders to those who haven't RSVPed.
6. Kent will do the program for the banquet.
7. Kate and Christy should find two volunteers to take tickets and check off players or the RSVP list as people enter the banquet. Also to take the \$10 for the additional people.
8. The Boosters decided we would use China plates, utensils and the menu will be Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo with green beans, salad, rolls and dessert cupcakes and tea/lemonade. This will be \$13. A person.

By-Laws:

New wording. Kent re-amended the By-Laws after our last meeting in order to incorporate comments that the Boosters made at the meeting. The suggestions were in order to make the language more general and included some language to give authority back to the coaches.

There was a motion to accept the newly worded By-Laws as our new By-Laws for the Boosters. The motion was made by Christy and seconded by Hal and unanimously approved.

Website: The Boosters thanked Joy for her hard and diligent work on the website. The site has been applauded by other HS team's parents. She has made it a quality site of which we can all be proud.

There was a suggestion that we include bios of the players early in the season to put on the website. Joy is currently updating the stats.

Sponsors: We had a good response from our sponsors about the banners, our thank you letter and the photo of the players with their sponsors.

Scrapbook: Jamie is getting Joy picture disk from Tim Yoho, stats and a letter from coaches. The scrapbook gets handed out at the banquet.

Slate of Officers: The Boosters will ask Ashley before March 10, our next meeting, to please send out an email with the slate of interested nominees and the fact that we will be voting on these. To nominate others, please email Kent before the meeting. Nominations will be open at the meeting as well.

KENT will draft the email and will also ask for shadows or co-chairs for the positions of treasurer and secretary.

Coaches Corner:

General observations and comments from Jamie and the boosters on the season:

-great season but Jamie sees ways in which the team can improve and have a more energetic finish

-Lost confidence after Christmas when season is ending and there are so many games in a row.

-keeping more focus going into districts

-before districts the team might need a team building exercise to get them to work together and get energized and reconnect.

Jamie also mentioned equipment and uniforms:

-we need Nets replaced on practice goals. They are \$100. And we need 4. The girls are willing to pay half.

The Boosters decided to purchase these right away.

-This year we will have to order the dark jerseys. Typically we order 2 sets – approx \$2500. We will try to order these as soon as Jamie finds the jerseys he wants for the team. These will be paid for from the Internal Account.

Because we have a good healthy budget we are trying to anticipate expenses and go ahead with those needs.

Jerseys and equipment are in our budget already, so these are not unanticipated expenses.