

Northern High School Girls' Soccer Booster Club
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday April 17, 2024

Attendees: President - Andrea Maldonado, Vice President - Danielle Curzi, Treasurer - Nicole Huffman, Secretary - Jessica Lerew, Coach - Keith Munshower, and Parents - Amanda Roy, Erin Townsend, and Sherry Matter.

Motion to begin meeting: 7:05pm, Andrea Maldonado, 2nd - Danielle Curzi

No one in attendance offered additional topics to discuss and the agenda was approved.

Motion to approve agenda: Jessica Lerew, 2nd - Nicole Huffman

Treasurer's Report: Nicole Huffman

March has no new expenses or withdrawals to discuss.

Nicole received receipts from Amanda Roy for concession start up supplies and is reimbursing Amanda with a \$125 check. MS Concessions has already made a \$75 profit and has sold the remaining Calloway cards (at a discounted rate of \$5.) All profits made during the MS season will be used for their end of season banquet.

A motion was made to secure a credit card through Members First to use for club purchases. Members First has offered an interest rate of 14 % with 1% cash back on all purchases over \$3000.00 All voted aye. The Booster Board has approved our treasurer, Nicole Huffman to obtain a credit card for Booster Club use with a limit to not exceed \$15,000. As treasurer, Nicole will be the holder of the credit card and will receive the monthly statements.

A yearly budget is required to be given to Athletic Director, Angie Gaido before July 1, 2024. Nicole has provided a "rough draft," budget for us to review and discuss. The following items were discussed to help determine the appropriate amount to be allotted in the new budget and are not final.

Concessions: There are 10 home games scheduled for 2024-2025 season. Concession coordinator, Nicole Rank is not able to join this evening but has mentioned previously asking parents to donate food. It is suggested parents either pay a start up fee or donate food items and volunteer during the games but not both. All are in agreement to not ask parents to pay a fee. Time to sign up or a similar app will be used for parents to donate food items and to volunteer their time working the concession. This platform will be released immediately following the seasonal parent meeting. It is suggested to not offer a volunteer buyout option.

Banquet: It is proposed to lessen the cost of the banquet to host the event at the Yohn's family barn. Mr and Mrs Yohn do not charge a fee to use the barn but the club will offer a "thank you" gift of at least \$100 for the use of their barn with cash or Giant gift cards. There are some table and chairs available to use but additional seating will need to be rented, heaters may also be needed. There will be no cost to families to attend but food donation will be requested. All voted aye.

Coaches Budget: Previously \$5000 was allocated for the "coaches budget." Keith does not have any equipment needs at this time and is not anticipating any large purchases at this time. He asks that if a need

arises the board consider his request individually rather than budget \$5000. With the addition of a new JV coach some spirit wear may be purchased. It was decided to allot \$2500.00 for coaches expenses.

Classroom update: A small classroom refresh has been discussed, no painting. The addition of curtains and white boards are requested. The Booster Board approves to budget \$800 for this project.

Uniforms: Budget must include new socks and season warm up jerseys. Previously warm up jerseys were produced by Hot Frog, Artistic Imprints, and BSN. It was requested to research more affordable options and the school tech department was suggested.

Summer Camp: Current budget is \$500.00, this amount is for snacks, food, and drinks for the players during travel. It was agreed to keep this amount the same for the upcoming season.

Coaches Convention: The convention is to be held in Philadelphia or Baltimore in January 2025. There is a registration fee for each coach to attend. Previously coaches have rented an airbnb together during the convention. Keith agrees to a convention budget of \$750.00, coaches will be responsible for additional cost.

School Trainer: There is a fee for the school's athletic trainer, Dom, to design a workout program for our players and to supervise the use of the equipment in the gym. Mindy Smith has offered to compile a workout plan for the soccer team at no cost. No money will be included in the budget for additional strength training.

Special Events: Honor Veterans, Teacher Appreciation, Pink Out, and Senior Night

It was suggested to forgo *Pink Out* and replace the event with another illness that received less attention such as Parkinson's or ALS. We all agree other diseases do not receive the same recognitions as breast cancer however all Northern High School fall sport teams participate in a Pink Out during October. The school's business management program incorporates the pink out into their curriculum as a marketing project and t-shirts are sold to be worn at all sporting events, this has been a tradition with the students. It is voted against changing the Pink Out game. However, during the season other disease and illness awareness will be discussed with the players and voted upon to add an additional awareness game.

Keith discussed asking the VFW Flag guard to perform before the *Veterans* game and it was requested that players whose parents serve or have served be recognized during the game. All voted aye.

There will be 3 *Seniors* playing during the upcoming season. It is suggested a balloon arch, sash, and flowers be purchased to honor our seniors and the seniors of the opposing team. \$500 will be budgeted for the event. Whoever is coordinating each event will be made aware of the expectation and budget, if the coordinator wishes to purchase more items this will be at their personal expense.

All in favor of allotting \$500 in the budget for each special event.

Assistant Coaches Pay: Meghan Huff has been offered the Assistant Coach position, this position is not paid by the school board, it is considered a volunteer position and to be paid by the booster club. Keith suggests Meghan be given \$3000 based on her experience. He will speak with Angie Gaido to ask the average Assistant Coaches compensation for all sports before the Board votes on the amount. A Board member will contact Meghan to ask for her desired compensation.

Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report / Budget: Andrea Maldonado, 2nd - Jessica Lerew

Coaches Report: Keith Munshower, Head Varsity Coach

Northern alumni and former soccer player, Jackie Speicher has accepted the Head JV Coach position and the School Board has approved. Keith will be inviting current players to a meeting in the classroom to introduce the new JV Coach.

The 2023-2024 District Championship Jackets were delivered to Seth Lehman's home 4/17/2024. Keith will distribute to the varsity players at the above mentioned team meeting. BSN's invoice should be included in the package and will be given to Nicole to pay.

Last season's documentary created by Avery Swartz will be debuted May 10th in the High School Auditorium, 7p-9m. The viewing is open to the community and there is no fee to attend. Golden Rentals is donating two popcorn machines for the event. Andrea has agreed to purchase the popcorn kernels and bags needed from the Restaurant Supply Store. Drinks and Cookies will be provided in the Lobby after the showing.

Northern Girls Soccer will be attending McDaniel's Nike Team Sports Camp. Registration is now open. Camp is 7/18 - 7/21 and costs \$580 per player. After reviewing the camp survey results it is determined one team will be attending, a maximum of 16 players.

Current Business:

Golf Tournament: Danielle Curzi

Eventbrite is now accepting team registrations and sponsors. Tournament details and the Eventbrite link are posted on Facebook to be shared. Danielle has sent letters to request donations from previous sponsors and additional new businesses. Checks can be made to Northern Girls Soccer Boosters and mailed to Danielle's home address, Jennifer Lane, Dillsburg, PA 17019.

Fundraising:

Craig Hack, a representative of *Calloway Cards* has sent an email asking if the club is interested in selling the discount cards next season. All voted yes to purchase 400 cards for \$1600 plus shipping.

The Booster Officers are offering an additional fundraiser with all profits used for players to attend the McDaniel Nike Soccer Camp this Summer. Andrea has been in discussions with fundraising coordinators, Kyle & Paul for options and majority vote agrees on the following fundraisers.

59 Minute Fundraiser. Players will be asked to download the Money Dolly app to their phones and attend the live event in the classroom Tues, May 7th at 7 - 830pm. During this time all girls will send text messages to their phone contacts requesting donations be made via the app, Paul suggested a minimum donation amount of \$25. Northern will receive 80% of the donations collected. It was requested Andrea ask Paul to reduce the minimum donation to \$15.

Candy Bar Sales: Candy Bars are provided by Kyle and Paul, and are to be sold for \$1 each. There is no minimum candy order required. Only open boxes need to be paid for and each box profits \$25 to the club. Danielle is drafting a new survey to players asking if there is additional camp interest with the above fundraisers lending financial assistance. The email will include the fundraising details and the team goal of \$10,000. All donations will be applied to the team goal, not to individual players. It was suggested to post the club's venmo QR code during the documentary viewing for additional donations and also sell candy bars at the event. Andrea is submitting the camp fundraiser requests to the school board for approval.

It has been proposed to upgrade the school's small weight room. The new weight room will be in the SLC and open to all students. Organizers have requested each sport make a donation to fund the new equipment. We voted to pledge a \$500 donation to be made after our golf tournament.

Next Meeting May 17th, 7pm at the SLC classroom

Motion to Adjourn: 859pm Danielle Curzi, 2nd - Andrea Maldaldo