

STCE SOFTBALL BOOSTERS MEETING
JANUARY 4, 2010

Present:

Ed Brooks, Joe Driessen, Laraine DeSoto, Coach Kelly Horan, Jim Brooks, Laurie Brooks, Kerri Stengler, Mark Payleitner, Jay Payleitner, Sharon Driessen, Carole Brooks, Mary Palomares, Angela Ventura, Sue Niemiec, Alan Gall, Dave Desrosiers, Diane Desrosiers

The meeting was called to order by Ed Brooks at 7:02 pm and minutes from December 2009 were approved after a date correction was noted for the upcoming Zanies fundraiser.

TREASURE'S REPORT

- Capital Improvement fund is \$11,245.01
- Operating fund \$3,062.45

Joe reported that there were some outstanding bills and recently, both windows and interior lumber were purchased through the Capital Improvement Fund. There was an expense for website renewal in the Operating Fund, as well as revenue from the Winter camp.

Laurie Brooks asked Joe Driessen how much more money is needed in order to complete the press box project. Joe stated that, with what we have in the Capital Improvement Fund now, it will be very close. There are still the expenses of concrete, electricians, paint, etc.

COACH'S REPORT

Coach Horan stated that the players who attended the Winter Camp did well and the coaches seemed to have a good time as well. There is still an outstanding bill for camp t-shirts and it should not be more than \$400.

There will not be any conditioning workouts to prepare for the upcoming season until after exam week.

Coach Horan stated that she has been in contact with the Norris Center via email regarding availability for the banquet date. She has not heard back from them yet, but will follow up with them and keep the group posted.

Coach Horan has new coach pictures for Mark Hupe to place on the website.

CENTRAL BOOSTERS

Rita Payleitner was not present so Jay Payleitner reported for her. He passed around a sample diagram of the parking lots flags that are to be approved.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Joe Driessen reported on the status of the press box construction. There has not been a lot of work done in the last couple of weeks due to weather conditions and the holidays.

The roof is done: It is metal and black. Decking the floor and building the stairs are next on the agenda. The scaffolding will be dismantled soon and clean up can begin once it warms up slightly.

Jay Payleitner questioned the possibility of adding a set of bleachers on the west side to the north of the dugout. Coach Horan stated that she will look into it.

WEBMASTER

Mark Hupe was not present and no update was given. An email will be sent to him with coaching pictures and a request for Zanies information to be posted. Also, the tryout dates/times will be posted to the website after exams, with the coaches determining this during Finals week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Concessions/Central Boosters: Laura Moe

Laura Moe was not present and there was no update given.

Laraine stated that she had spoken to Laura recently and there is still a need for one or two volunteers for the upcoming concession shift on 1/8/10 which is a girls' basketball game. Laura told Laraine that, with the exception of the track meet in April 2010, there are no more concessions to be staffed.

Concessions/Softball Games: Sharon Driessen

Nothing to report.

Banquet: Laurie Brooks

Ed Brooks discussed the need to determine the banquet site at this Booster meeting. He was aware that an email was sent out to decipher family opinion, but he would like those present at tonight's meeting to have the determining vote. Coach Horan agreed with Ed but stated she was interested in the outcome of the email vote. Laraine DeSoto had sent out an email (with minutes attached) asking for everyone's input on where they would prefer the end-of-season banquet to be held: off-site or at school. Laraine reported that she received 17 responses as of meeting time: 14 for school, 3 for off-site. She stated that the only concern raised with email voters was they were worried about clean-up and how that would interfere with attending the presentation portion of the evening. Some suggested "hiring" someone to clean-up or asking whoever caters the event to be responsible for the clean-up.

Those present at the meeting suggested that, if everyone pitches in to clean the commons area prior to the presentations/video, it should not be a problem. Laurie Brooks agreed and suggested that perhaps "Presentation Time" could be added to the program so that it would not start before all could be present. Coach Horan agreed and thought that was a good idea.

Meeting attendees voted on the banquet site; the motion to have the banquet on school grounds passed. More information will be forthcoming.

Grounds

Nothing to report.

Senior Picnic

Senior Game

Nothing to report. We are still in need of parents to volunteer for these events. Typically, it is a senior parent for the picnic and a junior parent for the game.

Video and Pictures: Rita Payleitner

Nothing to report as Rita was not present. Jay Payleinter asked that he be given a few minutes at "Meet the Saints" day to present the need for pictures and video to Freshman parents.

Fundraisers: -

• Car Wash

Jeff Stengler received information from the Turtle Wax Corporate Headquarters. Those present at the meeting were given the opportunity to decide upon staying with the Jaws Car Wash from last year or to go with Turtle Wax. Options were discussed and it was decided to remain with the Jaws Car Wash, mainly because it will allow for the one-day wash event on a main thoroughfare in town and loyalty to the business.

A "buy-out" option, employed by other school programs, will be discussed at a later date.

• Zanies

Ed Brooks stated that tickets for the Zanies fundraiser will be printed tomorrow (1/5/10). There was discussion regarding the Silent Auction for this event. Volunteers are needed to help organize the auction items, etc. Sue Niemiec stated that she will volunteer to organize but is not comfortable with soliciting for items. Sharon Driessen will assist as well. Big selling items are sporting event tickets and golf outings, as well as STCE parking passes and Prom tickets.

• Camp/Clinic

Coach Horan already reported on this topic. She did add, however, that the format for the Winter Camp will be changed for next year. They are looking into holding the camp on four Sundays in January and February with different time slots for the age groups.

• Plant Sale

Someone is needed to organize this fundraiser.

Other Committees

Varsity Poster: Nothing to report.

Spirit wear: Coach Horan discussed this with Laurie Brooks at an earlier date. A theme for this year is still to be decided upon.

Pasta Dinners/Snack Schedule: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Carole Brooks reported on Magnets vs. Window Clings for the upcoming season. Magnets will cost less than \$5.00/each and window clings will cost approximately \$15.00 and last 5-7 years. Those present voted to stay with magnets.

Jay Payleitner asked Coach Horan if the idea of service projects for each team is still being discussed as he is ready to assist if needed. Coach Horan stated that the projects will not be decided upon until after tryouts and teams have been determined. She stated that some sports teams have specific causes (ie. Volley for a Cure, Hoops for Hope) and she would like to do this for softball as well. Coach Horan said that it would most likely occur on a Saturday, instead of practice, and she will keep us posted.

NEW BUSINESS

It was mentioned that the need for time limits for Senior Speeches at the banquet will need to be determined. This was agreed upon and will be discussed at the next meeting.

The next meeting is slated for Monday, February 1, 2010.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:58pm and was passed unanimously.