

February 11, 2019 - Booster Member meeting MINUTES BHS Room 113 7:00pm

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**Attendees:** Larry Christofori, Susan Black, Jon Baldi, Jim, Davis, Kate Christo, Karen Lilla, Karen Shea, Lynne Czamanske, Kate Delhome, Katherine Steivater, Charlene Colt, Judy Duffy, Karen Reynolds, Diane Green, Cyndi Reitmeyer

**Dates: Becca Pizzi 5K May 5, Patriots Basketball May 22**

### **Meeting Minutes**

- The meeting started at 7:10pm.
- Secretary Report – Minutes from November 5, 2018 meeting review (attached to agenda), the meeting date listed for treasurer report corrected to be 10/31/2018. Minutes approved with correction.
- Treasurer's Report – Available funds are \$63,000. Recent bank statement and reconciliation was included. We purchase 2-3 years worth of Varsity Fleece jackets. Bottom page of agenda shoed summary of what we've spent this year, approx. \$52,000 eg \$16k fleece, \$12k grants. Treasurer report was approved.
- Membership
  - 2 sponsored attendees from the prior meeting were voted in as Members – David Stievater and Katherine Stievater.
  - No new attendees to be sponsored. Everyone was a member.
- Board Composition/Current Status - Open Positions
  - Sheet was included with the agenda and was also sent around to see if anyone present was interested.
  - Open positions included: President, Treasurer, Secretary. Other tasks needing to be filled (as currently being done by Secretary): Monitor Gmail/Respond, Manage Booster Website, Manage Social Media, Manage paypal, Organize Booster Liaisons, Update Fieldhouse record boards. B-Drive 2019 needs a co-leader with Larry.
  - **Interest included (to be followed up and confirmed): Treasurer (Judy Duffy), Monitor Gmail/Respond (Kate Christo), Manage Booster Website (Karen Lilla), Organize Booster Liaisons (Kate Christo)**
- Booster Grant Updates
  - Review of recent grants – Kross Over (video stats – site license for BHS) \$4260, Defib \$2000, Boys Basketball TDBankNorth \$600, Boys Swim equip \$382, B/G ski passes \$2869, B/B rugby equip \$900.
- Athletic Department Update
  - Spring sign ups were today.
  - Last Friday there was a dedication to the past basketball coach Paul Lyons at the Basketball game.
  - Many teams going into state championship games/tournaments
  - Pep Band has been excellent at Basketball games – spirit really high!
  - Winter Sports awards – 3/13
  - Construction project update:
    - o Abatement in Wenner field house

relocated/stored elsewhere including trainer and equipment space.

- Summer – Fitness Center will be located at Burbank.
- Once school is back in session, Fitness Center will be in the mezzanine. Locker rooms in upper gym.
- Fields for practicing and playing – getting worked out
- Pool and Field house will be center of new buildings
- Any fields open – yes Harris field will be used. Fields on Belmont Center side of rink also available.
- Most teams will be impacted – Cross Country, freshman programs, V/JV will be later in day. 5 of 12 teams in league going to late start.
- Baseball fields – There are 3 fields in town. 2 at high school. Planning on using Belmont Hill for 1 of the fields.
- Buses not available to transport athletes to remote fields. Most fields are within 1 ½ miles from high school -not in budget. Shelter at these remote fields is needed. 10 AEDs have been purchased already.
- Superintendent in charge of communication.

- Upcoming Events

- Becca Pizzi 5k – May 5 – sign up sheet went around – Larry point of contact.
- **Sign up included: Kate Christo, Karen Lilla, Cyndi Reitmeyer, Diane Green, Judy Duffy, Charlene Colt**
- Pats Basketball – May 22 – sign up sheet went around – Larry point of contact
- **Sign up included: Kate Christo, Karen Lilla, Karen Reynolds, Lynne Czamanske, Diane Green, Judy Duffy, Karen Shea, Kate Delhome, Charlene Colt**

- Past Events

- Hayley Skarupa – very success event @ Chenery last year. She spoke very well, great story. Had Gold medal for audience to see and take pictures.
- Powder Puff – spent too much money and didn't get attendance like we'd hoped. Students took tee shirts but didn't attend. This was year 1 that BHS administration was organizing. Hopefully year 2 will be better.

- Ideas

- Why do BHS students have to pay to go to home games? Home game ticket sales are income in the athletic budget that needs to be received (est \$40k-\$50k). This includes all home game ticket sales not just BHS students. Larry has written letter to Superintendent and BHS principal to ask them to address and/or come up with alternative ways for closing gap and can the Booster help.
- Family pass?
- It was brought up that maybe during the construction of the new high school – allowing BHS students to enter for free would help with school spirit.

NEXT MEMBER MEETING:      March 11, 2019, BHS room 113, 7:00PM