

May 13, 2019 Booster Member ANNUAL meeting MINUTES @ BHS Room 113, 7pm

Please visit our website at: <http://www.belmont.k12.ma.us/bps/bhs/boosters>

Attendees: Larry, Jim, Davis, Susan, Karen Shea, Cyndi Reitmeyer, Lisa Sotir Parsons, Karen Gilbert, Jon Baldi, Heather Krafian, Diane Green, David D'Agostino, Kate Christo, Katherine Steivater, Dean Donahue

Minutes follow -

- Administrative – Larry, Susan
 - Quorum present for voting.
 - **Review and Approval** of the April 8, 2019 member meeting minutes.
 - **Review and Approval** of Current Booster Financials dated May 4, 2019.
 - \$88,500 cash. A few outstanding grant liabilities.
 - \$20,000 income from Becca Pizzi 5k. A slight increase over last year. Becca distribute 3 Senior awards 6/1 @ \$2,000 each. Boosters will net about \$10,000.
 - Revenue from major events \$55,510. Finishing year strong.
 - **Everyone present at the meeting was a member. No new members to sponsor/vote in. No members were sponsored at the last member meeting.**

- Athletic Department and Grants – Jim Davis
 - ¾ way through the spring season. Will wrap up middle-late June – June 22. Many teams will proceed into playoffs. Spring sports number are strong – 3 teams per sport.
 - Coach K McCabe was recognized as an MIAA coach of the year. New rugby teams joined the league - Hanover, Cohasset.
 - Spring awards will be June 4th 5pm – this may adjust depending on playoff schedule
 - Construction project – May 28th ground breaking, June 10th fields no longer available for sports, June 18th school/fields closed and officially construction site. Will be closed until Labor Day.
 - Fall teams – cheerleading will practice Burbank/Winnbrook, Volleyball will practice @Belmont Hill
 - Fields – Harris field available for pre-season there will be specific time blocks. Other town fields that will be used: PQ, Town field, Winnbrook – details still being worked out.
 - Late Hours – games late start 5:45/6:00pm. Some teams considering coming in early morning since school will start at 8am
 - Freshman Programs – Games at BHS, some Saturday and Monday evening.
 - Pool – Belmont Hill club M-F 2 hour blocks 7:45-9:45pm. Competing on the road.
 - X-Country – Park should be done memorial day 2019. Practices will be ok. Will not be holding home meets.
 - Winter – loosing upper gym. Wrestling holding practices in Cafeteria
 - Spring – Baseball – Belmont Hill a possibility
 - Duration of Project – 4-5 years – agreement with pool currently is for 2 years – to host the 4 month season.
 - Weight Room moving to Burbank.
 - Trainer – req is out for an associate trainer – due to the multiple locations
 - Tennis courts will be gone – no plans to rebuild at the high school. Will be off site.
 - A baseball or softball field will be lost with no plans to rebuild at the high school.
 - Another turf field is being considered. Grass v turf next to the field house.
 - Record boards on the poolside will be coming down. All banners are getting packed up. Equipment in storage rooms getting packed up. Cage getting packed up. There is a review of equipment etc – some stuff getting discarded. Equipment will go into storage containers, pods or modules.

- Becca Pizzi Road Race update - Larry
 - Material distributed and reviewed – observations/lessons. A few notables:
 - Suggestion for Tee shirts – offer youth sizes for 5k.
 - Needed more student volunteers on course to cover all intersections.
 - Could have used more marketing presence
 - General feeling was that it went smoothly!
 - Thank you Larry! Thank you Boosters!

- Annual Meeting agenda - Larry
 - Material distributed and reviewed – significant achievements, state of union, proposed go-forward plan. A few notables:
 - Over past 5 years, we've raised over \$325,000– with over \$200,000 going to for Belmont High School Athletics - Currently have over \$80,000 in the bank.
 - We've been unsuccessful at attracting new leadership. Lack of new Big projects makes us less visible and possibly less valuable.
 - Every current board member's term is either past due or currently expiring. 3 board member now enter into “no kids in school” category.
 - Unappealing to new board members – what am I getting myself into?
 - We won't re-up new board members but will remain available for 2019 Booster Drive. Grants will be reviewed by Baldi, Christofori, Giatrellis, Gilbert, Meier until further notice.
 - After B-Drive if still in bad shape – will have a Coaches/AD meeting.
 - Thank you to Larry for staying with it
 - Lack B-Jackets would be felt by teams if not available.
 - Thank you Susan for your years of service.

- Pats Basketball Game scheduled for May 22
 - Sign up sheet – Kate Christo, Karen Lilla, Karen Reynolds, Lynne Czamanske, Diane Green, Judy Duffy, Karen Shea, Kate Delhome, Charlene Colt, Karen Gilbert, Heather Krafian, David D'Agostino, Susan Black, Julie Donahue

- Next meeting will be in September.

- Meeting ended 8:10pm