

**Support the Student Athletes, Coaches, Athletic Director & Administration**

*Enhance and Encourage School Spirit \*Close the gap/ financial shortfall between the Athletic Department budget and the needs of our teams*

1. **Call to order-** Pledge of Allegiance at 7:05 pm
2. **Minutes:** Maria Mai made a motion to accept and pass minutes from September meeting. Michelle Merchant seconded the motion. Minutes accepted.
3. **Treasurer's Report-** (Sherri Franzman)
  - A. Financial Report/Cash Position – Approximately \$23,000 in bank. There is a lot of spending coming up. First Law Nation payment was made for ~\$1326. Received a Law Nation donation check and still waiting on another check for \$1000. Off to a great start.
4. **President's Report-** (Judy Pincus)
  - A. Forms – info available for bricks, apparel, bracelets etc
  - B. Received \$500 donation for “summer session” from Coach Pat Simon. A for profit summer camp was held at a BOE location and Booster was chosen as the benefactor for the camp donation.
  - C. Advocate article on brick walk and ribbon cutting ceremony
  - D. Thank you note sent to Shannon for donating time and materials to Booster Club.
  - E. On Thursday Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 7:15-8:15 Booster will have member form and apparel at the Open-House Middle School.
5. **Vice President's Report** (Michelle Merchant)
  - A. Updates – \$1600 in Apparel sales. Vineyard Vines doing well. Need to buy 12 additional shirts for the minimum order quantity. New campaign before the holiday for gifts. Thanksgiving T-Shirts in progress.
  - B. Brick Garden campaign has 1 order. Need 12. VJ to include info in coach packet. Add to Francast. New deadline Dec 14.
6. **Membership Status** (Bridget Lawless)
  - A. Membership Status – 101 total members. Last year 94 total members. Open house successfully increased membership. 20 coaches. 3 non-coaches, 1 Grandparent, 1 community member. 44 first time members. By sport: Boys XC 5, Boys soccer 17, cheer 3, football 16, Girls XC 3, Girls soccer 6, Swim 16, Girls volleyball 9
7. **Athletic Director Report** (VJ)
  - A. Requirements to Coach
    - i. Certified by CT State Department of Education
      1. Teacher certified or attend 45 hours coaching course
      2. Hiring recommendation from AD and Principal and fill out forms
      3. FBI/DCF/CT State police back ground check
      4. Certified in CPR & First Aid
      5. 3-hour concussion management course
      6. Annually review and sign off on concussion and cardiac arrest forms.
      7. Annual video on concussion management
      8. 15 hours of professional development over 5 years
      9. Online concussion management refresher course every 5 years.
    - ii. Vendor comes in with designs and meets with coach and captains. Styles are chosen. Rely on vendor for sizes. Students must return uniforms at the end of the season or be charged.
  - B. Uniforms –
    - i. Target replacing every 4-5 years
      1. Exceptions
        - a. Swim and gymnastics purchase their own
        - b. Golf new shirts every year
        - c. Ice Hockey is a co-op and not handled through the school.
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    - C. Powder Puff
      - i. Concern of the roughness of the game
      - ii. May end up changing some of the rules

- D. Swim Team
- i. Not enough athletes to make a full team. Will combine with Foran to form a Milford team allowing the athletes to continue to compete.
8. **Parking Spot** – Winner for month of October pulled by Mary B is Jenn McNelis
9. **Committee Updates:**
- A. **Concessions:** (Angie Felag)
    - i. New Freezer received – Ready for Foran soccer and Volleyball games.
    - ii. New Popcorn Machine-(Judy) Currently have an 8 oz machine that cannot keep up with the needed output. Investigated a 12 oz machine for \$500 plus \$150 for stand. Larger machine will meet the required output. Coach Simon suggested contacting Jeff Hathaway to ask if there are any carts in the desired size that are not being used. If so, Booster would avoid the \$150 cart cost. Pat Simon made a motion to purchase the popcorn machine for up to \$650. Ms. Paulus seconded the motion. Motion passed.
  - B. **Communications Committee** –Update -items received for backdrop/stickers–(JP) (Maria/Mary/Judy) Ethan Fancher to make backdrop for JL Booster Logo.
  - C. Graduation Balloon Committee – no updates expected until January (Mary Bretthauer)
  - D. **LawNation** – Status – 198 total memberships sold (Judy). Last year 189 members.
10. **Old Business** – (update if applicable/place holder to pick up again)
- A. School Store: ongoing (MM & JP)
  - B. My School Bucks –still pending for web orders (JP)—Tabled until decision for Fall vendor
  - C. Committee Sign Up Sheets will be at each meeting –
  - D. **Weight Room** – Sound system for weight room. Booster looking for updated quote.
  - E. Jonathan Law Alumni –(JP)
  - F. **Letter Jackets – (JP)** - \$1200 in the budget. Last year the jackets were \$79 each. Plan to split cost with Freshman and Sophomore families.
  - G. **Parking Spot – (Judy & Mary)** – we will “fix” before next meeting
11. **GRANT REQUESTS** – Coach Simon requested \$500 for leotards for gymnastics. Team conducted a car wash for fund raising. Gymnastics will promote Booster membership. Matching leotards are required for competition. The athletic department is currently working to help pay for uniforms. Angie Felag made a motion to fund \$500 with the understanding that if the athletic department helps out then the Booster donation will be reduced or rescinded. Maria Mai seconded the motion. Motion passed.
12. **New Business** - none
13. **Announcements** – none
14. **Open to the floor for comments** – none
15. **Adjournment** – Angie Felag made a motion to adjourn. Stephanie Becker seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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