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**Athletic Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**October 11, 2016**  
**7:30 AM**  
**Administrative Building**

- Old News: The Field Hockey State Championship sign was done by Printing For U and is now hung on the field house.

The stones and bleachers are in place at the old stadium and a port o pot is in the corner

The limited free entry policy is going well.

In answer to Mr. Stern's question in regard to PIAA club money, it is in a separate fund, we don't control it and this process is going well.

The 1991 team letter is typed out, however there were few addresses available for mailing. The night will include Senior Night and tailgating. The date is set for October 21<sup>st</sup>. The team trophy will be on display.

- Football Game Atmosphere: It was brought to Mr. Spotts' attention there was a complaint in regard to the volume of the pregame music, which interfered with hearing the band as they played on their way up to the field. The music is screened by Mr. Spotts and/or the coach and will be allowed during the pregame warm up. The volume will be monitored.
- Students suggested the band be relocated and a designated student area by the band be created. Mr. Spotts spoke to Mr. Buffington and the Band Parent Group was consulted. Mr. Spotts asked that 8 to 10 rows be left open for the students but complaints were received by parents. Perhaps the band will be relocated next year.

Season tickets are working out but will be re-evaluated for next year.

Tomahawk night is on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

- **Concession Stand Lighting:** There have been e-mails expressing concerns/requests in regard to additional lighting that is needed in the back area of the concession stand. This matter is on the agenda for the Building & Grounds meeting scheduled for today.
- **Security:** In regard to Football in particular, Mr. Spotts distributed a sheet listing other schools and their means of security. Others use "in house" security. Mr. Spotts is aware insurance is a concern with in house security and asks that the increase in cost of insurance be discussed at a Finance meeting. Using in house security could save athletics \$400.00 to \$500.00 per game. As far as other groups, Tamaqua couldn't meet our requirements; the Fire Police saved money but weren't doing the requirements. We are happy with Lehigh Law Enforcement.

There was only one teacher willing to volunteer for the HS Homecoming dance.

- **Fall Coaches:** Girls Soccer team numbers are low, the team has shown improvement and may make the playoffs.

Our Middle School football team is currently undefeated.

Mrs. Bowman complimented Coach Tom McCarroll for his professionalism during an interview.

Our boys soccer team has been plagued with injuries this season.

- **District Sporting Events:** Most teams will make it to District playoffs. Our Volleyball team has already qualified.
- **Playoffs:** Mr. Spotts has submitted the paperwork to host Football & Field Hockey playoffs at our venue. Boys Soccer playoffs will be held here at Lehigh on Tues. Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>; Girls - Wed. Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> and a double header on Sat. Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>
- **Other:** No injuries have been reported due to the turf. It was a huge advantage to have turf for our Homecoming game following a day of rain.

The Bonfire scheduled for Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> could fall on the same night as two district playoff games. The administrators are required to be in attendance at district games, therefore will not be present at the bonfire. It is a touchdown club event and Mr. Strubinger is aware of this. There will be no bonfire should the playoffs be held at Lehigh.

Mr. Reichl reported while at attendance of a conference he learned to be cautious of "gifts" from outside groups. He suggested we have a policy to avoid a Title 9 violation. Certain amounts of money should be board approved and advertising in regard to healthy

food regulations are not to take place from midnight to a half hour after school. Also volunteers should have board approval and clearances.

Mr. Spotts still needs to look into Top 10% banquet options.

Dave & Lora Krum will be in attendance at Senior Night as well as Graduation in recognition of Gavin Krum.