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Athletic Committee Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2017

7:30 AM

Administrative Building

Members Present: Mr. Spotts, Mrs. Bowman, Mr. Holland, Mr. Stern, Mr. Wentz

● Old News

- Policy update for Addressing fan/behavior: the second reading will go to the April board meeting
- Winter Coaches - Final Round Interviews for Head Boys Basketball Coach Wednesday, April 12th.

● Fall Coaches Update

- Will have two Field Hockey Assistants on the upcoming Board Agenda.
- Still Searching for Assistant Coaches for Girls Soccer. It has been posted three times.
- Mr. Wentz reported there is a soccer player that is interested in participating in football for the purpose of kick offs. The student will need to take the initiative to speak with Mr. McCarroll. It has been done in the past.

● Spring Sports: The weather hasn't been very cooperative, but Track, Baseball & Softball are doing well. Tennis has a lot of new players.

- "Kudos" to the grounds crew preparing the fields after the rain.
- Middle School Track participant numbers are very high with only two paid coaches. Therefore, Mr. Spotts would like to inquire where to begin looking into another coach, it is a union position. Perhaps the additional stipend could be split between two people.

- Tennis Courts: Maple Tree Tennis Club is currently for sale. An option to be considered if the courts are not offered to the school once they are sold is to get estimates to have courts put in on the school grounds.

- Wall of Fame/Hall of Fame is still being discussed and in the planning stage. May be finalized by 2018-19 school year.

- Football Stadium - it has been a full year that the stadium has been in use.
 - Concerns? The Fire Police will no longer be helping with the games.
 - Parking locations? Mr. Spotts spoke in regard to the fact that the current parking arrangements require both the home and visiting guests to walk to opposite sides of the field for seating. Various suggestions include: eliminate parking passes; flip parking arrangements, but keep handicap where it is; move band and season ticket seats; charge an extra fee for limited preferred parking; overflow parking in the field. Mr. Spotts will inquire at the next League meeting if others offer parking passes.
 - Other suggestions made in regard to sports and parking were parking signs for visitors and home; signs for the fields as well and a campus map.

- Field Maintenance - The piles of dirt that were moved to clear for the elementary center will need to be moved, perhaps the top soil can be used elsewhere. Mr. Spotts will address it at the Building and Grounds meeting.
 - Extra batting gages may possibly be put in at the fields
 - Seeding to be done behind the field house and the picnic tables have been spread out.

- Grounds Personnel: Mr. Spotts meets with the grounds crew each Monday morning and it seems to be working well. It is an open end communication system. Work orders are done in the time frame asked. Mr. Spotts has a report of things done since March.

- Other: All supplies are in for field maintenance. The new turf has saved time - no need to cut the grass; line the field; has saved on paint for lining the field. It requires brush maintenance every two weeks; sweeping every 3 weeks, eventually a magnet to go over the field with. The ground crew has a checklist.
 - A temporary press box for the Middle School field will be discussed at the Grounds and Fields meeting.

- Good of the Order: Mr. Wentz shared that parents comment often in regard to the athletic website being kept up to date in a positive manner.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:31am