

Field Hockey Booster Club Minutes

Tuesday, November 19

7:30 PM

Cafeteria
Mt. Nittany Middle School

Call to Order: Sherri Klaus called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM. This is an informal meeting of the Booster Club during Indoor practice.

Concessions: Dave Dzikowski will take over indoor field hockey concessions. Kate Henry is not doing indoor, so Michele Henry is no longer working concessions and Dave will take over. We need concessions for the following dates:

- Jan 12 -Indoor Roar
- Jan 25 - U16 Qualifier
- Jan 26 - U19 Qualifier

Sean commended Dave for the good work of concession did in putting things together for the PIAA post season tournament games. It went well and we sold a lot of food.

Sean recommended having a room with food for the Referees where they can have whatever food they want or we n give them tickets for food.

There was discussion about how to best provide food for the referees.

The qualifier will be in the old north gym and the Mt. Nittany middle school gym. Since we are in two locations we will need two concessions stands.

We discussed having vouchers for the referees. Sean will contact Mallory Weisen, one of the Lock Haven coaches, to find out how they deal with food for the refs. We may give the refs a dollar amount, or per meal voucher. Etc. Provide bagged lunches for the refs. Was another option suggested by John Snedden.

Senior Night went well.

Banquet: Sherri Vidunas does not want to be assigned as the person for the banquet. We need to work to get a committee in place so the work can begin at the start of the season.

Mary Beth mentioned that the cost for the banquet is too expensive for some parents. We need to keep cost in mind.

Scorekeeping: Sean appreciates everyone who helped. We need to have some guidelines for scorekeeping. There was also some discussion about videotaping the games.

Linda suggested that we have scorekeeping team with guideline for scorekeeping and then training at the beginning of the year.

Volunteers and Fundraising: In an attempt to foster volunteers, the group discussed the idea of having everyone pay money up front and then you can work down your fee depending how much you volunteer. We would also like to possibly have people work off the cost of the banquet ext. This "Earn your money" strategy was suggested by John Snedden.

We discussed fundraising. We might consider banners for sponsors.

Fundraising chairperson? Sherri suggested talking to Monica Selvaggi Tate. We would like to have a concerted fund raising plan for the entire year.

Fundamental Field Hockey went really well for grades 2-7 and we would like for it to continue next year.

Indoor Field Hockey Discussion

- Sean needs a parent with a younger child to be the indoor assistant coordinator. Linda suggested Steve Love as a possibility.
- Sean needs to be reimbursed for \$2300 for indoor.
- We need uniform names and numbers. Sean wants a copy of the list of uniform and numbers.
- Registration for Indoor field hockey closes December 1 and practice begin on Dec. 4 and 8. All players will have the opportunity for a uniform fitting at the first practice.
- We will require payment at the time the uniform is ordered.
- No key to the closet in the north gym. Sean will resolve and probably talk to Peg about getting a key.
- Sean needs two people to step up to be a building for the tournaments as a tournament director. One person per building.
- T-shirts for indoor roar. Sherri would recommend getting short sleeve t-shirts to sell. Sherri volunteered to the t-shirts. Sean will check with malik about possible putting them on the shirts.
- Sean will check about how many medals he has and he will order the medals or have Leigh order them if we need more.
- Clothing order overall. Have a standard number of items on the website and then periodically we can order when we have enough orders. We will have standard items and will place an order at specific time. Have 9 standard items for example.
- If we start taking clothing orders etc., then we may want to consider using PayPal and weigh the options. We need to make it as easy as possible. We have to check with the school district/athletic office about whether we are allowed to use PayPal.
- Chelle Tambroni, Sharon Herlocher, and Lori O'Donnel are going to show up to every weeknight practice set the tone for the training. There will be 7 coaches at practices on weeknights and all the teams will be there together.
- Sundays are run by the college coaches.
- The only payment the Coaching Directors (Sharon, Chelle, and Lori) require is that we pay for their babysitting. They are donating their time.
- The Player development coaches will provide accountability and structure for the younger coaches.
- We need to order indoor balls.
- U.S. Volleyball Association has tape that is guaranteed not to lift up the finish on a water based court finish. Sean got this tape in white because it was the cheapest.
- We asked the college girls to ref for the Indoor Roar Tournament.

- We have to hire the athletic trainers. The Registration for teams has gone up to \$225, but we let people know that we will have an athletic trainer at each building and two refs. at ever field.
- Calendar should not be holding people up for registration.
- Talked about opening Indoor up to 5th graders if they register then they can practice with the girls on Wednesday nights. It was decided that we will open the practices to 5th graders during the weekday only, when the development coaches are in attendance.
- It looks like we will have 2 U19 Competition teams and 1 U16 Competition team. There is concern that some players will think they are on the A team and some will think they are on the B team. There will probably not be a try-out for the competition team. The coaches will watch the girls and evaluate them over a number of practice days.
- Sean will meet with the girls before they are assigned to a team and let them know how this works and that there is not an A team or a B team.
- Treasurer's Report: Julie Bown our Tresurer is stepping down for personal reasons. She is willing to help behind the scenes until we have someone else in place. Julie has reached out to someone and they are considering taking the job.

New Business: No new business at this time

Our next meeting is currently set for Wednesday, December 4 at Mt. Nittany Middle School, 7:45 PM – 9:00 PM

Our meeting was dismissed at 10:12 PM