

Wildcat Booster Club
Meeting Minutes
10/3/2024
North Avenue Pub and Grill
27W371 North Ave, West Chicago, IL 60185

The following board members and guests were present Scott Turney (President), Denise Gilbert (Vice President), Gina Cleary (Secretary), Dawn Losacco, Erica Cabrera, Kristi Walsh, Denise Kolode, Bobbi Zeman, Andrea Zonta, Tammy Krueger

- I. Call to order 7:07pm
- II. President report given by Scott Turney
 - Meeting minutes from executive meeting will now be presented to all members.
 - Everyone who hasn't already done so, needs to sign up for membership.
- III. Secretary report given by Gina Cleary
 - Recap of minutes from 9/5
- IV. Treasurer report was given by Denise Gilbert
 - Bank balance as of 10/3 is \$5,994.20
 - Pending cash deposits of \$8,538.90
 - Upcoming expenses, homecoming banner
- V. Committee Reports
 - Publicity - Scott Turney
 - Homecoming parade, we need volunteers to sign up in Google sheet. Lineup will be at 12:15. Plan to put boosters banners on truck and pass out brochures to parents at parade.
 - Moving forward, school will publish booster recognition every time we donate to school, on their Facebook page and website.
 - School administration has gone above and beyond to be helpful.
 - Membership committee
 - Trying to gather more members.
 - Thinking of slogan.
 - Want to expand to Spanish speaking population, but not sure how to comfortably accommodate.
 - Working to make a brochure to better explain the boosters.
 - Fundraising - Bobbi Zeman

- Homecoming dance concessions, sign up genius completed and sent to school.
- School has agreed to send a text to parents, do a pop-up on website and post on Facebook to gain parent engagement.
- Teacher Appreciation - Denise Gilbert
 - Plans to donate flowers for teachers and staff in the works. If we are unable to secure flower donations we will provide cookies in teachers lounge.
 - Boosters voted in agreement to do hot cocoa bar for staff during final exam week, we need to approve a budget at the next meeting.
- Spirit Wear - Erica Cabrera
 - Waiting to receive invoice for 25 yard signs sold so far. Profit is \$7 per sign.
 - Bruster is currently has two different vendors, no contract with either vendor. We will stick with current hard goods company.
 - Boosters voted to switch to 1st Place Spirit Wear from prior vendor.
 - 1st place will have a sale when we first open account, a holiday sale and a sale in the spring time.
 - 1st place spirit wear will give QR codes and flyers to help promote items.
 - Boosters will receive 10% of all Spirit wear sales as direct deposit into boosters bank account.
 - WeGo football program to sell their spirit wear separately.
 - Working to get start up funds to have items in hand to sell.
- Committees that still need to be filled
 - Grants and scholarship
 - Wall tiles
 - Social media
 - Website
 - Concession scheduling
 - Indoor concessions
 - Outdoor concessions
- Erica Cabrera and Meg Zentner have agreed to take over scheduling, opening and closing indoor concessions for fall and winter.
 - We will need a contact person from the school to give them a key.
 - Will plan to have discussions at the next meeting to make this a smooth transition

VI. Old business

- Need qr code for membership sign up.
- Homecoming banner purchased for 50 year anniversary of state championship.

- Still need a plan to update bylaws.

VII. New business

- Boosters are shopping to purchase awnings to go over outdoor concession windows.
- Working to plan a boosters holiday party, will discuss dates and venues at the next meeting.
- Need to give 1st place spirit wear direct deposit information.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm