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Communications / Spirit: Callie Gillespie

Athletic Director: Billy Rodgers

## **North Kitsap Athletic Booster Club**

**December 9, 2024**

### **Minutes**

**Call to Order:** 6:30PM, N. Flowers motioned to start the meeting, C. Gillespie seconded.

**Officers Present:** Nikki Flowers, Karen Beers, Kristi Repp, Chelsea Jess, Erick Goins, Stacey Pickard, George Flowers, Callie Gillespie

**Members Present:** Mary Caughell, Aaron Zapf, Clay Blackwood, Jasmine Sunnenberg, Sue Sabari, Carissa Robideaux, Karla DeVries

- **Student Athlete of the Month:**

- Payton Steiner – Ath Med
- Jasmine Sunnenberg – Girls Basketball
- Lily Joan McDermott – Girls Cheer
- Kayla Sherlock - Gymnastics
  - Thank you to Oath Pizza for donating free pizza certificates and to Starbucks for donating water bottles to our winners.

- **Secretary Report:**

- November 18, 2024 meeting minutes were emailed to membership on 11/24/24. S. Pickard motioned to approve, N. Flowers seconded.

- **Treasurer Report:**

- Because of the switch to the new bank, are in the process of moving accounts in quickbooks. Currently everyone has two accounts, one is zeroed out while things are transferred over, but coaches may be getting only the zeroed out one on your reports just until this process is completed.

- **Membership Report:**

- Currently at 92 families, about the same as we were this time last year.
- Not having Meet the Vikings each season may be bringing the potential numbers down. Parents have mentioned that it's hard to get freshman parents involved without the excitement of Meet the Vikings – hoping this will come back, maybe even by spring season but it needs to be revamped. Coaches were not happy

with the way it had been and did not find it useful. We are also missing out on merchandise sales without those bigger events.

- Having the option to sign up for membership via square is a great thing, but it doesn't include the paperwork and Karen is then having to track down the families to get the information.
- **Concessions Report:**
  - In need of some new equipment – nacho machine and hot water carafe in the gym. And the popcorn machine needs to be cleaned. (This was completed 12/10)
  - The issue we thought we were going to have with selling RedBulls in the can has not been a problem.
  - Starbucks offered ingredients to make Boba drinks in the concession stands, but upon discussion it was decided that this sounded too complicated. It would require a lot of mixing and extra things such as ice that we don't want the concessions volunteers to have to deal with.
  - Starbucks has also offered to set up a stand at the Dave Snyder Track Invitational and will donate all proceeds to the Snyder Fund.
  - Flag Football home games – two home games have been added to the schedule and these will be offered to the next teams in line.
- **Scholarship:**
  - Current application and rubric are posted on the Booster page of the school website.
  - In February the board will designate the scholarship committee to collect, read, and score the essays. It will be decided and announced the total amount and number of scholarships to be awarded.
- **Sponsorship:**
  - Builders is our new platinum sponsor and have requested banners on the softball, baseball, and football fields and will possibly sponsor golf as well.
  - Sponsorships are now going to be run solely through Boosters. We will transfer the 40% to ASB directly (rather than vice versa). Teams (coaches) should no longer be collecting sponsorships on their own or through ASB.
  - There is an outside, 3<sup>rd</sup> party company called On-Time Sports the school has an old contract with. This company calls local businesses and does a great job of sounding like they are a representative from NKHS and asks for money on the school's behalf. They sound very official, but NKHS Athletics only gets 10% of the money collected. This is confusing to businesses when we call asking for sponsorships and they say they have already donated. On-Time sells the businesses NK t-shirts with their company logo in exchange for their donations, but keeps most of the money. Once our contract runs out, we will not renew it and are hoping Boosters can make our own t-shirts to promote to local businesses.
- **Social Media:**

- Gonk schedule is not always accurate, so please send any discrepancies or additions directly to Callie.
- **Spirit:**
  - Basketball – This Friday’s quad games we will have a toy drive so another game(s) will be designated as a spirit game.
  - There have been some concerns voiced to Boosters from students, parents and the community. We will discuss with Mr. Rodgers about how to address these going forward. Also discussed if all these issues should fall on athletic’s shoulders. Could ASB help with some of this? The concerns include:
    - State Sendoffs – Athletes report that they didn’t feel special this year. If the sendoffs are not scheduled during advisory, the teachers rarely let students out of class to attend these events. If teams leave during non-school hours, they are always sent with goodie bags to recognize their achievements, but this sometimes does not feel as exciting as a fire truck escort out of town. Athletes need to understand that if they leave at 5am, an escort just can’t happen.
    - Changes noticed after the first home basketball games
      - Not playing the National Anthem (Saying the pledge of allegiance instead)
      - No special lights or spotlights during team introductions
      - No pre-game hype music or music during halftime
      - The Cheerleaders haven’t been there
      - The band hasn’t been there
      - There was a dog in the gym at one of the games that was causing a distraction
      - Mr. McCorckle is no longer announcing the games
    - The games have not been streaming on YouTube – Schools now have to pay \$2,000 to upgrade to a new youtube system in order to stream. We have been using Hudl but getting some complaints about this system. We are trying to figure this out but agreed that the cost seems justified as a lot of people watch the games via youtube – it also allows to watch games already played.
- **Old Business:**
  - No other quad basketball games were able to be scheduled this season. Fri. 12/13 against Kingston will be the only one.
- **New Business:**
  - Community Service Events
    - Toy drive this Friday at the quad basketball games. Bring a new, unwrapped toy, game, book, etc and receive free admission to the games.
    - Food drive this Friday Dec. 14 at Safeway sponsored by the Girls Basketball Team. This was hugely successful last year and they are hoping

to duplicate it with items collected going directly to Fishline for use in our community. Fishline has mentioned how Spring is another time when donations are greatly needed so it would be great if a Spring Sport could take on the challenge to host another food drive.

- At 7:29PM, N. Flowers motioned to close the meeting. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Kristi Repp, NKHS Athletic Booster Secretary

12/11/2024