



RM Boosters Meeting Minutes May 1, 2014

Present: Bill Burchett, Jeanine Gould Kostka, Eric Blitz, Doug Campbell, Darlene Din, Brenda Dunham, Jon Freda, Jon Garrick, Josh Klotz, Barbara Kunstman, Charlene McClelland, Karen Morgan, Phil Page, Jeremy and Mary Rochon, Steve Schuck, Andrew and Susan Silverberg, Keith and Lorin Umbel, Annette Rauh

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of April Minutes

Motion made and April minutes approved.

3. Booster President's Message – Bill Burchett

Elections of new Board will be at the end of this meeting. Thank you for coming.

4. Athletic Director's Report

Play offs are coming up. Volleyball won the first round of play offs and will play at Magruder High School in the second round. Lacrosse playoff draws are May 5 and May 7; for softball and baseball the date is May 9. If we host Lacrosse game, we will charge \$5 entrance fee. At all playoff games, at home or away, a \$5 entrance fee will be charged.

Winter sports: sportsmanship awards: Girls Basketball, Swim & Dive, Poms, Wrestling.

Jon Freda announced that this was his last year as Athletic Director. He will be full time PE teacher and assistant football coach starting September.

5. Treasurer's Report - Darlene Din

We have \$69K in the bank.

6. Committee Debriefs / Discussion Items:

- Merchandise Update – Charlene McClelland/Susan Silverberg: Sales are slow.
- Website– Brenda Dunham: Golf tournament documents and draft bylaws are on website. All spring photos are ready to be picked up by coaches.
- Events/Outreach – Shannan Cole: Bill spoke for them: There are no updates. The Mike Curtis Open invitation/announcement was emailed to various lists.
- Concessions – Keith Umbel: He is looking for new volunteers to help with ancillary tasks.
- Membership – Barb Kunstman: One Standard Family signed up.
- Mike Curtis Open Golf Tournament – Paul Whaley: So far, half as many golfers as last year signed up. 19th hole starts at 5:30 pm. Costs is \$25 per person; students, teachers, and coaches pay \$10; golfers are free. There will be a silent auction. The auction baskets will be assembled coaches and their teams. IDrive Smart contributed as well.
- Scholarship Committee – full committee: 17 students applied, interviews will take place on May 12. Winners will be determined the same night and they will be announced on Award's Night.
- Mulch Sale Report – Robert Longest; Truck damage was \$1,000,

7. Old Business

- Bylaws – Steve Schuck: No questions were asked. Motion to approve revised bylaws was made by Barb Kunstman and approved by members present.
- Fencing and Dugouts: Fence up, Dugouts built, in process of putting on roof. Specialized brackets are needed. \$15,000 more are needed because material cost \$11,000 and an outside welder needs to be hired.
- Baseball field was closed. MCPS was not satisfied with condition of field and did not turn it over. Jeanine asked whether MCPS could initiate public debate to do field right. Drainage problems still exist, divots have not been addressed. So it is not safe and playable. The field could not be used for the last two seasons. Bill pointed out that the April 2012 MCPS commissioned report says the field problems are 8"-10" deep and the work the current contractor, Walker-Willis, did, only goes down 2.5"-3". The Contractor, Chris Willis, said the current fix "won't work". The field needs to be roto-tilled which City of Rockville and MCPS did not allow. Many feel that the Boosters do not have an advocate in the school system to help get the field done right. A father remarked that the athletes do some part of practice here and then have to go to Montgomery College to do other part of practice there. This takes time and extra effort. Many baseball parents are very upset. Jon Garrick said that he was kept out of conversation. What he can offer, is to arrange a meeting with acting principal. Bill: When they fix field and hand it over, does RM acknowledge that work was done? Jon Freda answered no.
- 501c3 update – Steve: we are steps away from filing. Once the new corporation is filed, we apply for 501c3 status.

8. New Business/ Open Discussion Items

- New Officers Elections
- President: No one applied. Andrew Silverberg declined a nomination. Vice President of Fundraising: Steve Schuck was accepted. Vice President for Programs: Jeanine was accepted. Recording Treasurer: Rusty Morgan was accepted. Events Treasurer: Doug Watson was accepted. Recording Secretary: Annette Rauh was accepted. Corresponding Secretary: Lorin Umbel was accepted. Vote for President will be at next month's meeting. Changes will be effective next month. New board will serve July1, 2014.
- Jon's next wish list: He is asking now, because of long delivery times. A motion to of funding \$20,000 for his general fund was made and approved.
- Hockey Club is being re-organized. They are looking for a coach and applications are being accepted. Coach Lofgren is welcome to apply.

9. Adjournment

8:10 p. m.