

Minutes for November 12, 2024 Booster Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm.

Attendees:

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| Kathy Jones- Cheer | Toni Youkilis - Dance |
| Kelly Hoover-Boys Golf | Tanya Kaiser-Boys Soccer |
| Kate Shaw-Boys Basketball | Diane Bacher - Girls Basketball |
| Gilberto Castillo-Bowling | Mark Fada-Swimming |
| Erica Fritzsche-Girls Wrestling | Jodi Norris - Baseball |
| Jill Davidson - Boys LaCrosse | April Gerkin - Boys LaCrosse |
| Casey Hunt - Softball | Jenny Offner - Softball |
| Laura Schultz - Softball | Cassie Doyle - Boys Volleyball |
| Julie Guenard - Boys Volleyball | |

Board Members Present: Andrea Peake, Kevin Cooney, Carl Hill, Courtney Woody, Julie Horton and Missy Dixon

Alert: several positions on the board need to be filled at the end of the 2024-2025 school year, if you are interested please reach out to us at: boosterslakotaeast@gmail.com

Approval of Minutes: October 14 minutes were approved from Courtney Woody and Mark Fada

Treasurer (Carl): Currently, the bank balance sits just under \$160,000, with approximately \$26,000 in bills, leaving an adjusted balance of \$133,000. The two biggest fundraisers, the 5K and the Booster Bash, have been very successful. The 5K raised \$1,700, and the Booster Bash is expected to net around \$10,000, compared to last year's \$4,000. As a token of appreciation and support, \$2,500 will be donated back to the Boys & Girls Club from the funds raised at the Bash. Concessions have seen a \$6,000 decrease due to price hikes from Pepsi and lower game attendance but are still profitable. The Spirit Shop is performing well, up \$4,500 year-over-year and showing a profit compared to last year. With concessions and team membership payouts expected in the coming weeks, we are positioned well for the rest of the year.

Concessions (Courtney): 1 final game this Friday – Dance team will be doing concessions. This should be the end of the fall concessions. Winter SUG (sign up genius) is coming up – each team should only sign up for 2 and then we can add more as needed (this just allows all teams to have opportunities if they want. Another thing to note– please sign up for earlier dates and then fill in the calendar from there. If anyone is interested in helping please reach out to Courtney.

Spirit Shop (Wendy): Good weekend at the Craft Show! Having hours during school lunches in the winter months. Online store will be coming– this will be on social media; this access will be all of the time and not just Christmas. Jessica Gearlds will be taking over the spirit shop (Welcome Jessica!) \$3,000 for craft show + \$500 in sales from Meet the Team Night. Note: online order will be paid shipping, approximately 2 week turn around.

Memberships (Missy): So far for the year we sit at 40 online membership + 7 paper forms, all from fall sports. Roster matches were sent out to all fall reps earlier today – if there are any discrepancies let Missy know. These are now final. 50% memberships are girls volleyball, girls soccer, boys soccer and girls cross country. Winter rosters will be sent out in the next few weeks – please push memberships with your winter teams. As a reminder, memberships may be purchased online at the following link, <https://wedoauctions.com/tickets/lemembership/tix> or the QR code.

Fundraising (Julie): The Booster Bash was a success, both profitable and with improved food offerings. Lots of positive feedback! We had 34 coaches and spouses attend. GameTime Radio sponsorship added value to the event. Cash donations totaled \$1,500, with notable donors including Story Point, Kuhlmann’s Meat Market, Chuys, and City BBQ. Ohio Eagle & Distribution is providing a 50% refund on the upfront cost since we had so much left over. We are grateful to the reps who helped with setup and for the excellent baskets from the teams. A reminder to all reps: please send fundraiser updates and notifications to leab.fundraising@gmail.com for social media promotion. Be sure to follow us and spread the word via our Facebook, Instagram, and X accounts. Also, remember to update your Community Rewards with Kroger if it hasn’t been updated in the past year and don’t forget to promote the Shell gas pump on Cincinnati Dayton Road.

WINTER TEAM UPDATES

Boys Basketball (Kate Shaw): Things just getting started. Scrimmages going on, this Friday (every Friday in November). First game Friday after Thanksgiving. Goshen @ Mason. Team is very young and inexperienced. Thank you to everyone who supported the annual raffle!

Cheer (Kathy Jones): Team just participated in 2nd annual GMC competition in Fairfield; the girls did well and they were happy and confident. Winter Teams are in place – girls will be cheering for double headers girls/boys basketball games.

Girls Basketball (Diane Bocher): A duo with boys varsity games in Jan. Double header will be girls varsity followed by boys varsity. The team is excited about the season. JV/Freshman teams play on Saturdays. Current Team Fundraiser – taking monetary donations

Dance (Toni Youkilis): There are currently 21 dancers that will be doing sideline performances. There are 12 girls on the competition team and they will be going to Nationals in Orlando at the end of Jan.

Bowling (Gilberto Castillo): The teams will be moving from Mason Bowling over to RollHouse in Fairfield – this is where home matches are going to be. There are currently 14 boys and 12 girls on the team with a large number of seniors, 4 boys and 5 girls. All varsity boys are returning plus adding 1 freshman; 5 returning varsity girls. This Friday is a kickoff scrimmage/match at RollHouse. They will then play 4 matches before Thanksgiving. The team has a current BSN spirit wear open.

Boys Wrestling -rep not present - no report

Girls Wrestling (Erica Fitzschue): The team has 4 senior girls. They are doing a plant fundraiser (11 items short of reaching goal) ends this Friday. December 7 is the first Comp @ Western Brown. 3 home meets, rest are away. Season runs December 7 through March.

Swimming (Mark Fada): Started 1 week ago. Boys team took 2 relays to state last year – all but 1 swimmer is returning for this year. Girls took 2 individual swimmers to state – they are both back for this year. November 25 is first meet. The team swims at Lakota YMCA - there are 2 home meets this year.

Gymnastics-rep not present - no report

We welcome the following new reps for winter/spring sports:

Softball: Laura Schultz / Casey Hunt / Jenny Offner

Girls Basketball: Diane Bacher

Boys Volleyball: Cassie Doyle

TEAM REQUESTS

(1) Jodi Norris baseball: requests microphone system for coach to catcher this will be applicable for all three levels, \$1,295 (requesting 3 sets total). Also requesting an order of wristbands – will be reused each season (\$226 total) Total Request - \$1521

Rep Vote = approved unanimously

(2) Gil boys bowling– team meal will rollhouse after a practice estimating \$400

(3) Boys basketball – alumni basketball meal

(4) Girls basketball – team meal for alumni night

If teams have request they need to email request to BoostersLakotaEast@gmail.com

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm

Next Meeting: Monday, December 9 @ 7pm in Room 200

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