

**Victor J. Andrew High School
Athletic Booster Club
Meeting Minutes from April 15, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Rena Sheehan, followed by an introduction of all in attendance.

Secretary's Report:

- A motion was made by Margie Gottschammer to waive the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. Sue Warja seconded the motion. George Daly motioned to accept the meeting minutes, which was seconded by Pat O'Connor

Treasurer's Report:

- Bruce Berkheimer presented the accounts.
- Currently, there is more than \$103,000 in the account, with \$6,650 in income during the previous month and \$3,077 in expenses.
- With the money for projects that have already been approved, approximately \$60,000 will remain in the account at the end of the year.

Fundraising:

- Tom Nieman from Play-On Sports presented an idea for raising some money for the Booster Club.
- Play-On Sports is partnering with IHSA and Andrew H.S. to broadcast athletic events on IHSA-TV online. With the plan, the Booster Club could make money by providing subscription-based programming. Viewers could purchase subscriptions and Booster Club could receive up to 50% of the proceeds. An annual subscription could be discounted to as low as \$35, and Booster Club could receive the profit over that amount.
- Bundling this programming with the Booster Club membership was presented as an option.
- There would be no charge for non-sporting events.
- Ads can be purchased for the website also.
- The sporting events would be as a "pay-per-view" option for 3 days, and would be free after that.
- The company's marketing team would work to promote the program.

Spirit Wear Report:

- Keri Malone reported that the two dates for spring spirit wear sales did not result in many sales.
- It was suggested that we coordinate with team reps to arrange for sales dates in the future.

Market Day Report:

- Ruth Hansel reported that the March sale resulted in \$191.30 in fundraising.
- The next pick-up date is April 18th.
- There are six opportunities each year for teams or clubs to raise money for their specific program. There is a minimum of 10% given back to the team or club, with a maximum of 15% on bonus days.
- Ruth has the sale days for next year and will send them to Rena.

Communications Report:

- Italo fundraiser date has been set for May 23rd from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. The Booster Club will receive 50% of sales when the Booster Club is mentioned at checkout. Fundraiser will be advertised on 8to18, posters in school, and sharing the website link.
- Website is being revamped to give us the ability to make changes, and must be user-friendly.
- Please share updates on social media.

Membership Update:

- George Daly and Dan Durkin reported that the Booster Club flags and table skirt have arrived. These items were shown to the group and all agreed that they were very nice.

Concession Stand:

- Rena Sheehan reported that there is about \$17,000 in receipts, with just a few payments outstanding.
- The concession stand will be open for the junior high track meet on May 9th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Lynette Malak talked about the upcoming charity soccer games to raise funds for childhood cancer. Money will be donated to two childhood cancer organizations. Both the JV and varsity teams will be playing. The Booster Club will donate the money from the concession sales, along with a spirit wear for a raffle prize. Donations will be collected at admission to event. Soccer parents will work concessions.

Team Rep Report:

- The team rep appreciation dinner will be on April 27th at 6:00 p.m. at Gatto's.

Senior Party:

- The next meeting is being held on April 16, 2015. The raffle prize winner will be drawn at this meeting for \$1,120.
- More donations of food, money, and prizes are needed, along with more volunteers
- Tickets will be sold at lunch.

Athletic Director's Report:

- Mr. Dwyer shared a sample drawing of the scoreboard that will be installed at the varsity softball field on May 15th. Also, dugouts will be painted and some wood replaced during the week.
- Additional speakers will be added to the sound system in the stadium. This will not be done in time for spring sports, but will be for fall sports.
- Conference for boys gymnastics is coming up soon.
- Sectionals for soccer will be held at school on May 19th and May 23rd.
- Baseball sectionals will be held at Andrew. Four more speakers will be added to the sound system on the varsity field.
- All spring sport teams are playing well.
- Please contact Mr. Dwyer with any concerns. Open communication is very important to him.

New Business:

- New directors are needed to handle the scholar athlete awards, the team reps, and concessions. Elections will be held at the next meeting.

- The next meeting will be held on May 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Old Business:

- Final 4 fundraiser held by the D14 Foundation was a lot of fun.
- Update on the IL Senate bill – Illinois State Senator Hastings has agreed to vote no to the bill that could result in the school losing \$3 million from their budget.

Booster Club Scholarship Winners

- The scholarships are \$800 each. To qualify, the student must have at least a 2.5 GPS, play a varsity sport during his/her senior year, be attending a college or vocational school, and parents must be Booster Club members.
- Normally, 4 boys and 4 girls are selected. However, since there were only 2 boys that submitted applications, the remaining two scholarships will be awarded to girls.
- Winners:
 - Girls
 - Shannon Flaherty
 - Victoria Malak
 - Amanda Campbell
 - Karli Haubenreiser
 - Emily Caverretta
 - Emily Berkheimer
 - Boys
 - Matther Bobber
 - Ryan Mullin

Matz Family Scholarship Winners

- The scholarships are \$500 each. To qualify, the student must have at least a 2.5 GPS, participated in the variety show during his/her senior year, be attending a college or vocational school, and parents must be Booster Club members.
- Winners:
 - Girls
 - Erin Enright
 - Samantha O'Malley
 - Alexa Benakovich
 - Boys
 - Melvin Germinio
 - Pete Yore
 - Andrew Gentile

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:34 p.m. by Maureen Berkheimer and was seconded by Mark Gierhahn.