

HANFORD SPORTS BOOSTERS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, May 7, 2003

Attendees: Mike DePeel, Diane Cuello, Ed Brost, Tom Hegarty, Don Farmer, Janet Oswald, Wade Bird, Geri Leonard, Betty Whitney and Chris Bond

A special gathering was held before the meeting to witness Husein Pistoljevic sign his letter of intent to play basketball for Longwood University.

President, Mike DePeel, called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm.

Minutes from previous meeting: Minutes from April 2, 2003 meeting were approved.

Correspondence: Received a thank you from the School Bond committee thanking us for our support. Also received a letter from the Gambling Commission requesting our annual report and reminding us to submit proposal for a new gambling permit for next year.

Treasurer's Report Ed Brost reported that we have a current balance of \$18,908.80 in our checking account.

Income during the month totaled \$283 including memberships \$15, and Flames concessions inventory \$268.

Expenses paid during the month totaled \$3759.06 including concessions supplies \$98.68, \$3341.38 Hanford ASB for concession split, Richland Citizens for Good Schools \$250, and Ameron \$21.95. March interest was \$3.61 and April's was \$3.79.

We made \$34 interest on our Smith-Barney account for the last 3 months, bringing our account to \$21,171.03.

2003-04 Concessions: Mike DePeel said that Marianne Collins agreed to continue as the volunteer coordinator next year for concession and she recruited Twyla Russel to oversee the volunteers in the concession stand during the 5 home football games. Chris Bond will follow up with Twyla to verify this.

Mike will work with Marianne to search for a new BBQ grill. The Booster agreed to spend \$400 - \$500 for a new grill.

Bill Knirck Scholarship Fund: Eleven students applied for the scholarship. The 2003 selection committee comprised with Janet Oswald, Geri Leonard, Don Baide and Teresa Knirck will meet at Janet Oswald's house on Monday, May 12th to determine the winners. Chris Bond will get an updated Booster roster to Geri before they meet. Rob will check with Teresa Knirck to see if she would like to present the scholarships at the assembly.

School Bond: The Bond passed!!!! Tom Hegarty wants all the yard signs returned to him. The question came up with how we proceed since the baseball/soccer/track project was put on hold until after the Bond. Now that the Bond has passed, we want to get the ball rolling again. Mike DePeel and Tom Hegarty will meet with Robin Emmingham and report back at the next meeting. Tom Hegarty said that Mr. Semler met with the Hanford staff and discussed the time line for changes. Mainly the new middle school needs to be completed before work can begin on the high school because they have to have some place to house students during the remodel. It will probably be two years before work begins on the high school.

Banners for Eyrie Gym: The banners are up. Big thank you to Jeff Collins, Jim Powers, Kyle Lewis, Mike DePeel Senior and Junior for all their effort/work. Stop in the gym and check out the banners.

Booster Web Page: Mike said we still need stats from coaches to add to the Web site. He feels that there has been a lack of response from the coaches.

Benton-Franklin Fair Fundraiser: Tom Hegarty received the application proposal from the Fair Board for organizations wishing to help at the fair. He will submit this week. We are going to increase our quote this year since the fair seems to keep expecting more each year from us. Tom will confer with Kathy Kraemer on appropriate bid.

Powder Puff Football Game: The Powder Puff football game is scheduled for June 3 at Fran Rish stadium with the Junior girls playing the Senior girls. They hope to charge a couple of dollars for entry and have the

proceeds go to the Bill Knirck Scholarship fund. Coach Sevigny will coach one of the teams. Ms. Mayer is working with some boys to be cheerleaders. Boosters will provide funds for concessions. Mike DePeel asked for volunteers to help. Don Farmer and Rob Cuello will do the chains. Chris Bond and Mike will do 50/50. We still need people to sit at the gate and to help with concessions.

Dust Devils Fundraiser: Ed Brost said the Flames are willing to take over all of it except for the 6 games where they have a conflict due to their own games. The Boosters agreed to help during these games. Ed will let us know the dates they need help. The gambling permit needs to be renewed.

Nominations for Officers: Mike DePeel said that the current Booster officers agreed to stay on in the position another year except for Ed Brost, Treasurer, since his last child is graduating. Mike asked for nominations from the floor for any of the positions. Ed Brost said that he would be willing to continue to help train a new treasurer. Diane Cuello volunteered. It was moved to maintain the current board of Mike DePeel, President; Rob Cuello, Vice-President; Chris Bond, Secretary; and Diane Cuello transitioning into Treasurer. Motion passed.

New Business:

Softball Advertisements: The softball team wants to do a program and is looking for advertising sponsors. Tom Hegarty moved to give \$100 to both Softball and the Flames for advertising programs. Motion passed.

Mike wants to know if there are other clubs or organizations that have advertising programs. We have supported the Key Club with its Fall Sports programs.

Golf Tournament: Volunteers are needed. Don Farmer and Wade Bird volunteered to help. Gene Whelan's name was also suggested as a possible person to help. Mike and Wade Bird will meet and layout a "To Do" list.

Giant Flag: Mike DePeel urged the Boosters to purchase some giant Falcon flags for sporting events. The flags could be waved/carried after touchdowns, goals, etc. It was decided to spend \$500 to purchase either one or two flags depending on cost.

Mascot: Discussed again the possibility of purchasing a really good mascot suit. The interest just does not seem to be there, since no one even tried out for the position when it was open.

\$10,000 Funding Grant: The Boosters agreed to commit \$10,000 again to the Athletic Program for the 2003/2004 school year.

There was some discussions as to whether coaches have money available to help students in need for expenses, for example with camps, etc. It was determined that teams get money through various fundraisers they do and that this money could be used at the coach's discretion for such needs.

Senior Party: Last year the Boosters gave donations to the Senior party that totaled approximately \$35. This year we agreed to give \$100 to the Senior Party of 2003.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Next Meeting 7:00 pm Wednesday, June 4, 2003.

Respectfully submitted by Chris Bond, Secretary