

HANFORD SPORTS BOOSTERS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, June 4, 2003

Attendees: Mike DePeel, Diane Cuello, Rob Cuello, Don Farmer, Janet Oswald, Wade Bird, Dan Baide and Chris Bond

President, Mike DePeel, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Minutes from previous meeting: Minutes from May 7, 2003 meeting were approved as corrected.

Correspondence: Received a thank you from Teresa Knirck and family thanking us for the wonderful Powder Puff game in support of the Bill Knirck Scholarship Fund and a special thanks to Mike DePeel, Jr. who did an awesome job organizing the game. Received a letter from Clay Lewis thanking us for our support of the program and for the money stipend given to state participants in Boys and Girl's Track and Field. Also received a response from Lindsey Tucker in answer to Mike DePeel's note congratulating him on the softball state championship and offering to do a "raise the banner" presentation. Coach Tucker thanked us and thought that we should coordinate with Mr. Mayer when he raises the banners next year. It was suggested that the next West Valley game would be a good time. Finally we received a letter from a booster club organization designed to help promote Boosters.

Treasurer's Report Ed Brost sent a report showing that we have a current balance of \$16,813.85 in our checking account.

Income during the month totaled \$783 including memberships \$25, Knirck Scholarship \$50, Powder Puff Football \$608 and change returned \$100.

Expenses paid during the month totaled \$1,311.95 including concessions supplies \$61.95, Senior Party \$100, Softball Program Ad \$100, Flames Sign and Ad \$400, State participants stipends \$550, and change for the Powder Puff Football Game \$100.

Outstanding Bills include \$400 for BBQ grill, \$2250 Scholarships, \$166 Gambling Commission Permit, and Coke ~\$30.

There was no change on our Smith-Barney account keeping it at \$21,171.03.

2003-04 Concessions: Chris Bond will follow up with Twyla Russel to make sure she is willing to oversee the volunteers in the concession stand during the 5 home football games.

Bill Knirck Scholarship Fund: Dan Baide, as one of the 2003 selection committee, shared with us how the process to determine the scholarship winners went this year using the new criteria developed. It appeared that the criteria covering active booster participation needs to be fine tuned for next year. There needs to be more stats on participation including people who help with concessions and 50/50, etc. Also, a firm number needs to be established each year on how much money and how many scholarships we want to award.

Gambling Commission Report/Permit Application Status: The permit is ready; Mike DePeel needs to sign it before Ed Brost can send it in. We still need a permit to run 50/50 at our games even though we are not participating in the Dust Devils program this summer.

School Bond: Mike DePeel talked with Robin Emmingham and Rich Semler concerning how to move forward on the baseball and track complexes lights. As reported last month, even though Hanford was listed as one of the biggest problems; it will probably be one of the last projects to start. Mainly because 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. Mike discussed with them two things 1) when does the architect get involved/could we be working with them right now and 2) could we look into the possibility of splitting the project in two phases. This could add cost, which the Boosters would be willing to cover but could be worth it to get started right away on some of the project. . Mike was going to talk to Musco Lighting to see their take on this. Mike would like to set a goal for Spring 2004 to have the lights in the Track/Baseball complexes.

Booster Web Page: Mike said we still need coaches to respond with stats to add to the Web site.

Benton-Franklin Fair Fundraiser: Tom Hegarty submitted the bid to the Fair Board for the Hanford Sports Boosters to help at the fair. The Fair was asking for more people to help on Monday and Tuesday night, so we raised our bid \$500 over last year.

Powder Puff Football Game: The Powder Puff football game was a big success. We made \$608 (\$548 from donations at the gate, \$62 from 50/50 and \$51 from Concessions). Special kudos go to Mike DePeel, Jr. for organizing the whole event. He did a lot of work! In order for this to become an annual event, we will need a student to step each year and help organize. Mr. Baddley requested Tri-City officials be utilized and it seemed to work very well—no problems with favoritism and they were able to provide structure.

Giant Flag: Mike received one quote for an 8' x 12' flag. He will get others. Prices range from \$825 - \$1096 depending on single side view to double side view. Don Farmer moved to approve the purchase of a flag. Motion passed.

Golf Tournament: A committee comprised of Lynn and Dan Lucas, Diane and Rob Cuello, Chris Bond, Don Farmer, and Mike DePeel was established to start organizing what needs to be done for the golf tournament. Wade Bird said he would also talk to Heidi and Gene Whelan to see if they would also help. Mike will set up one or two meetings in July so we can have information ready for our meeting in August. We agreed to meet at the West Richland Golf Clubhouse since there is a possibility we will be having the golf tournament there this year.

Flames Advertisement and Fence Sign: The Boosters bought a full page ad in the Flames program and helped pay for a sign for the fence. This is an on-going commitment.

New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Next Meeting: There is no meeting scheduled for July. Our next meeting will be a barbeque Wednesday, August 6, 2003 at Chris and Rick Bond's house. Details and directions will be provided as we get closer.

Respectfully submitted by Chris Bond, Secretary