



BFAB Meeting
March 17, 2011

Board Members Present: Doug Snyder, Dan Spriggs, Mark Wald, Sheri Wald
Members Present: Smith Bradley, Trent Nelson, Melissa Nelson, Steve Christoff

A quorum of board members was not met, so we did not vote on any resolutions.

Meeting called to order at 7:10

Open mike discussion:

None

Officer/Committee Reports:

Equipment

Doug reported that our helmets to be reconditioned are still at Metro. They should be done soon.

Vice-President

Sheri displayed the t-shirts we ordered. The print reads "Husky Dog Pound. Only the Strong Survive". We purchased 200 shirts for \$562, a cost of \$2.81 per shirt. We discussed a couple options for pricing the shirts. We came up with \$10 for a shirt of any size. This price has not been finalized, as we did not have a quorum.

President

Both Todd Niklaus and Luke Tressel are co-head coaches at the high school. Luke will be meeting with Rob Deacon and Rick Herschbach to go over drills and things the 7th and 8th grade teams can do to prepare for the high school program.

We discussed the possibility of having Luke Tressel on the board. Board members would welcome this. The next step is to contact Coach Tressel and see if he would be interested in doing this.

Mark checked in with the Boosters president, Tom Kuykendall, on how often background checks should be done within Boosters. Tom said that Basketball does these regardless of whether or not a background check was just done on a coach for a previous sport. It makes sense to request each head and assistant coach each year to submit their information for a background check, regardless of whether they just did this for a previous sport.

Mark mentioned that within the next month we should be setting the date for the Husky football camp, ordering yard signs for football registration, and finalizing the wording on the registration form.



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A committee with Rob Deacon, Andie and Dave Scamehorn has been formed to create a player/coach/parent expectations handbook. Rob talked with Chris Hergenrader, and Chris gave some input on this. Andrea will be drafting this handbook. Something to add to this would be an expectation that parents need to run the chains and first down marker at home games. One possibility would be for each team to have a parent who would organize this; signing up volunteers for each game.

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from February 17, 2011 were reviewed, but a motion could not be made, as we did not have a quorum.

Finalize the Team Formation policy

Mark presented a revised a draft version of the Team Formation policy noting that it must be approved in order for SA Boosters to formally recognize the Boosters Football Advisory Board (BFAB) as a board.

The scope of the policy is only for defining a process of how to form teams. While it would be nice to have a policy stating when a decision to form two teams should be made, it would be difficult to establish this. Each year there is variability in how many players register and when they register.

We agreed that forming multiple teams per grade level only makes sense at the 2nd/3rd and 4th grade teams. After that, it makes sense to take on as many kids who want to register. We did not define what the limit should be for 11-player teams, but the coaches present seemed OK with teams as large as 30 players.

The coaches present agreed with the “blind draft” method of forming more than one team at a grade level. Trent Nelson suggested a modification in which you not only leave out the coaches’ kids, but you also add two additional players for the purpose of keeping things fair. Trent gave the following example:

Coach A has a kid who is rated high, a 10 on a 10-point scale.
Coach B has a kid who is rated lower, a 2 on a 10-point scale.

Coach A would pick up another player, rated a 2. Coach B would pick up another player, rated a 10. These four players would be left out of the “blind draft”. They would be added back in after the coaches draw their teams.



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Mark will add this to the Team Formation policy for the board to vote on next month.

2011 Football Budget

Mark presented a draft budget for 2011. We started the year with \$4,277 in our account. Income from registrations is estimated at \$17,339. Expenses are estimated at \$19,915. We would have \$1,700 left at the end of the year.

The biggest equipment expense is for football helmets. A proposal was discussed where parents could donate money towards the cost of a new helmet. This would be indicated on the registration form. The parents would pay for the registration fee plus a portion of the cost of a new helmet. We were thinking this portion would be \$40, half the cost of a \$80 helmet. The player would be able to use that helmet each year in the program for as long as it fits. We would set up a fitting day in June where the Schutte rep would be onsite to help parents order the correct size of helmet.

We discussed the possibility of purchasing black game pants. The Schutte rep quoted us two different types of integrated black pants. The first are a lace-front style. These are easier to tighten up. They are made of lycra, so they are stretchable. Cost around \$32. The second is a dazzle style. They are not quite as easy to tighten up, and they cost around \$24. We would need to set a fundraising goal in order to purchase enough black pants for all players in the program. An alternative would be to purchase enough for one team and then do this each year. Dan Spriggs recommended that these pants would only be used on game days, so that the pants would last longer. However, we would still need to issue white practice pants with pads.

Last, we talked about buying Shock Doctor mouth guards for all players. Retail for these at Sports Authority is \$6/player. We may be able to get a better price through a contact we have who works at the company.



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Determine what fundraiser(s) we will pursue

We discussed the following, but did not decide for certain which we would do:

- Selling various merchandise at Village Fest and equipment pick-up. Much of this can be purchased through Sport Decals. Also, Smith Bradley will bring a catalog to the next board meeting. Melissa mentioned that Vista Print can print things on merchandise.
 - Buttons and stickers with a Husky logo
 - Key chains, tatooes
 - Raffle tickets (to raffle off three Ben Leber autographed footballs)
- Selling hot chocolate and coffee at games at Central Park. Someone could set up right out the back of a truck/van in the parking lot on the hill. We would need to see if a permit would be necessary.

NEW BUSINESS

Nomination of head coaches

Head coaches were not nominated and approved as we did not have a quorum.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Mark to send Doug Snyder a list of 7th graders he can recruit to play on the 8th grade team next year.
- Smith Bradley to bring in a catalog of merchandise we could sell as a fundraiser.
- Mark to modify the draft on the Team Formation Policy for approval at our next meeting.
- Andrea to draft a players/parents/coaches expectations handbook.
- Mark to contact Luke Tressel to see if he would be interested in being on the football board.

ADDENDUM

- The board approved via an email majority that we will open football registration on May 16. Email originated from Mark Wald.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10.