

Board Members Present: Mark Wald, Sheri Wald, Jared Hoylo, Dan Spriggs

**Members Present:** Bill Ballot

The meeting was called to order at 7:09.

<u>Parent/Member Open Mike and Comment Period</u> There were no comments.

### Officer/Committee Reports

## President

Presented the budget and remaining expenses

Current balance	\$8,401.31
Remaining Mandatory Expenses (refs and pictures)	-\$4,700.00
	\$3,701.31
Optional Expenses:	
Team Parties	-\$ 800.00
Helmet Rack	-\$ 400.00
Field Maintenance Donations	-\$ 800.00
	\$1,701.00

 Website is going live Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. All sports boosters sites are going to be on Sport NGIN, which is what basketball has been using. We also purchased a new domain name, boostersfootball.com.

#### Equipment

- Need to purchase another helmet rack. These are on wheels and store 50 helmets. The All-American Sports catalog lists this for just under \$400 with shipping and handling. Mark will check on some other prices first before ordering.
- With 162 new helmets now in the program, we do not need as many of the older, reconditioned helmets. We decided to donate several used but reconditioned helmets to the Brooklyn Center Middle School program.

#### • Fields

 Jared reported that the city has been great to work with on getting the lines painted. New this year is the painting of lines on the area at the base



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of the C2 hill and along the hockey rink on C3.

• Coaches – no report

## New Business

- Mark made a motion that next season we will not provide white practice pants.

  The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Players can keep the white practice pants they have from this year. We will make the remaining white practice pants and pads available during equipment return. Then we will donate whatever white pants and pads are left.
- Sheri made a *motion to purchase another helmet rack*. This was seconded by Jared and **approved unanimously**.
- We discussed the questions for the end of the year coach's survey, and we will keep the same questions this year. Bill mentioned it would be good for the board to review the results year-by-year to see if coaches' scores improve. Sheri mentioned that we need to ensure there is a place in the survey for parents to write in comments.

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- We decided that teams will have individual parties this season instead of a large banquet. Each team will receive \$100. This can be spent on food and/or trophies.
- A goal of all of the St. Anthony sports has been to donate money back to the school district and city for allowing us to use their facilities.

Soccer has been working with the school district and with the Sports Boosters fields coordinator to construct a curb that would divert water flow away from the south side of the varsity practice field. Our  $7^{th}$  and  $8^{th}$  graders use this field for practice.

Mark explained how the condition of the turf on C2 has deteriorated over the last three years. There are a lot of bare patches, and efforts to patch these with grass seed have not been successful. The Sports Boosters president will talking



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with the Boosters fields coordinator about having a coordinated field maintenance plan. Football would like to help in funding efforts to maintain the city fields.

Mark made a motion to donate \$400 towards the city for field maintenance and to donate \$400 towards the school district to help with constructing a curb near the high school varsity practice field. **This motion was seconded and approved unanimously**.

• Mark brought up an idea of giving parents the option to keep jerseys from the previous year. The idea would be to reduce the cost of football registration if the player was to keep the same jersey from the year before.

We decided we will continue to order new jerseys, as the plan to re-use jerseys has several drawbacks:

- With the decision to reuse/replace left with the parents, it is possible that torn or tattered jerseys would be used again the next year.
- $\circ$  Teams at the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade have jerseys of different colors. The jersey color the next year would be different for some of the players. It is true that players could remain on the same team the next year, but this would make it difficult to implement our team formation policy.
- $\circ\quad$  Players like the opportunity to change their jersey number.
- A team could have more than one player with a previous year's jersey number.
- o Administratively, it would be a hassle to implement this.
- We talked about future apparel purchases. Bill Ballot would like teams to have reversible practice jerseys, because the practice pennies we use are too big for the smaller kids. Mark thought we could purchase coach's jackets instead of shirts next year. Others mentioned that would be very costly for the program and less of a priority. Another idea is to give coaches access to purchase jackets for themselves.
- Mark briefly mentioned that next season the workload of being president would be lessened if we had a registrar and a treasurer. He asked board members to encourage members to become involved.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- Mark to research other vendors for purchasing a helmet rack.
- Mark to purchase the helmet rack.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.