

Hastings Wrestling Booster Club

Annual Club Meeting August 8th 2016

Board Members Present: Dave Eichmann, Rick Zeien, Paul Leifeld, Todd Pottinger, Patti Kopp, Norm Rogers. Absent: Sherri Leflay

Others Present: Josh McClay, Chad Beissel, Renee Bauer, Kathy Leifeld, Amy Bjork.

New Business:

Offices were introduced.

Dave Eichmann-President

Patti Kopp-Vice President

Treasurer-Todd Pottinger

Secretary-Greg Mikel

At Large-Paul Leifeld and Rick Zeien

Fund development director-Norm Rogers

Election of Offices (3 year terms):

Vice President: Nominated and unanimously elected-Patti Kopp

Treasurer: Nominated and unanimously elected-Todd Pottinger

At Large: Paul Leifeld will not seek reelection nominated Amy Bjork, unanimously elected.

Club Coordinator: Sheri Leflay announced that she is resigning her position. Renee Bauer was nominate for the remainder one year of this term. Renee was unanimously elected.

- Paul Leifeld has been on the wrestling board since its inception and has been a key contributor to the success of the wrestling program in Hastings. Much appreciate was expressed for his service.
- Renee Bauer was thanked for volunteering for this demanding position. Suggestion were made to set up committees to help carry some of the work load. She will be meeting with Sherri to transition the responsibilities accumulated information.

- **Treasure's Report:**

The 2015/2016 Budget and expenditures were reviewed. Last year's budget was set at 26,000 and spread across 4 categories.

Fund	Budget
Board	\$2000
Club	\$9250
Middle School	\$3500
High School	\$11,250
Total	\$26,000

* The fiscal year ended July 31st.

- There was an expenditure overage of \$4180.29. The items contributing to overage included a donation towards the purchase of 2 wrestling mats, an additional club coach, and expenses associated with participation in the Minnesota High School State Wrestling Tournament.
- Patti Kopp's Concessions Update.
 - There was a slight reduction in concession income. \$16,600 total income.
 - The club will do concessions for boys and girls high school basketball game again.
 - There is still a problem getting enough help for the football games.
 - The Courage Center is requesting the club to provide concessions during their annual event at the high school.
- Club Update-Chad Beissel and Renee Bauer
 - The club had a great year with around 60 participants. They had excellent retention as only 3 left the program. The team did well at all the tournaments they attended. Particular attention was given to performances in the Hastings and Cannon Falls team tournaments.
 - The leaders were very happy with the younger coaches that helped during the season. The coaches were prompt at attending practices, and the younger wrestlers got plenty of individual attention.
 - There was a consistent ask from parent about getting team apparel for the wrestlers. Renee is looking at different source option as she feels there are better prices available in the marketplace.
- Golf Tournament update from Dave Eichmann
 Participation was down by 6 groups this year, but income was only down by \$600. Approximately \$3000 was brought into the club. Jim Rohr has shown interest in soliciting hole sponsorships next year. The relocation of the tournament to Hidden Green has turned out to be a good choice for the club. All agree that the tournament has good potential.
- Josh McClay update
 The high school has launched a new athletic page. A link will be made to the Hastings Wrestling Club site. Concern was express with keeping the club site up to date. Steve Norquist will be managing the site.
- Norm Rogers-Funding Development.
 - Norm has been looking at other programs across the country on their fund raising strategies. Many program are having good success with selling sponsorship levels to the community business. A common program is setting up three levels of sponsorship that provide specific offerings.
 - This strategy will not impact the Gold Card program.
 - It would be appreciate if other people with connection in the community could help out with this initiative.

- Another opportunity suggested was pull tabs. The board discussed the availability of possible locations. There are a number of bar and grills that already have pull tabs.
- Other Topic
 - Rick Zeien brought up a wrestler that graduated a few years back, but did not receive the club scholarship money he was awarded. Dave did not recall getting any of the necessary paperwork returned to him for this individual. Rick will follow up and advise the young man to submit the forms to the club president.
 - Greg Mikel suggested hosting an alumni night for one of the home meets. Josh will check out the possibilities, however; there are very few home meets that are available for the event.
 - Dave suggested that we do not have a special meeting on the budget, and asked if it was agreeable to vote on it at the current meeting. All Agreed.
 - Patti Kopp motioned to fund the 2016-2017 budget at the same level as the previous year with the same allocations. Todd Pottinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Patti Kopp made motion to adjourn. Second made by Amy Bjork. Unanimously agreed to adjourn.

Minutes Prepared by Greg Mikel