

BHS Football Booster Meeting
Monday, Nov. 12, 2018 – Room A24
Meeting Minutes

Welcome: Check-in, Handouts, Introductions

Attendees: Chad and Mindy Gilman, Jeff and Kim Johnson, Brent and Angie Schwab, Laura Olsen, Vonnie and Wayne Passon, , Brad and Carrie Westrum, Coach Varp, Trisha Lee, Tara Kruger, Deb Shepley, Paul and Sayleen Schmeling

Approval of Minutes: Brad Westrum approved, Vonnie Passon 2nd

Coach Varp's Report:

- He thought we were in a good position going into playoffs winning 4 out of 6 of the last games. Unfortunately the game didn't go our way.
- Lifting started up today and Coach Lerf is back. There were a number of players in the weight room.
- Meetings with players, seniors-talking about college, and then meeting with coaches last.
- Working on building next year's team.
- Thanks to booster club for all of the work that they have done.

President Report: (Chad Gilman)

- Thanks so much to everyone on the booster club for all of the things that they have done and they truly made the events special.
- Senior night went very well and so did tackle cancer. Many great comments on the ribbons. Both games were exciting to watch.
- Playoff game went well at BHS. We get a flat fee.
- We will possibly need a new grill for next year. The old popcorn machine that was refurbished will be returned to the concession stand.
- Marcus Shepley and Kyle Atkinson made All State. Congratulations to them! It is quite an honor.
- Great season. Great group of kids.
- Senior poster update: Lifetouch will be charging us \$150 for the digital image. The 10x30 posters were \$120 for bundles of ten.
 - Cornerstone was \$13.75 per poster
 - FedEx was \$360 for 30.
 - Decision was made to order from Lifetouch for \$360.
 - Next year, get senior pictures done early to give to advertisers. This is a great way to market the team and program. Other communities have them up for their teams. It is also a good recruiting tactic.
 - We will have the schedule by then. We are going to do it in June at Installs.
- Study Hall-It is a great resource and grade checks were positive. Tutors were great and did it for volunteer hours for national honor society. It is challenging getting parents to volunteer to chaperone and bring food for up to 30. Going forward, we feel that maybe an earlier time period such as 4:30-5:30 after weights and then just hand out a light snack. Then they can eat at

home. Or another possibility is to find a sponsor for the meals. Only continue during the football season. This may be more reasonable. Another idea is to have the tutoring resources for players who identify themselves to the coach for needing help.

- One player stated it was helpful because it helped him stay organized.
- Another player used their group chat from the Offensive line to get homework help. That is another possibility to have groups set up on teams with varying age levels.
- Trisha is going to check with HyVee for donations.
- Group setting is not the best for all kids. Be more direct about them getting a better environment.
- This year the academics was much better, very few F's this year.
- Bingo night is set at Dan Patch on December 14. Trisha had some raffle items and they are looking for more donations. Another idea is to have the players donate time to shovel snow or do something of the sort. Wayne is going to be the Bingo caller. Possibly target the seniors for next year. Jeanne and Tara are going to work together to email players to have them come up with ideas.
- Cub Bagging is Sunday, November 18 from 10-6. It will be packed. We average around \$1000 at this event. We need as many players as we can get. 8-11 players are asked to sign up.
- Jeff Johnson shared that he enjoyed working with this group. Volunteering is a lot of fun, but they lack the invitation. We want to encourage you to target 10 people to invite to volunteer. The more the booster club does, the more it takes away from others doing it. Personal invitations are a great idea.
- A new position for next year would be a volunteer coordinator position to help track volunteering. Also to get more families involved. We need a higher expectation of the players. The person will work very closely with the coach. In order to rise above, we need to hold people accountable. This would be a great thing to have before the tournament. This should be someone who isn't involved already. Many players are not wanting to help out. Volunteering could affect lettering and playing time. We can target who hasn't and find out what is preventing them from volunteering. Possibility of getting rides to those who need it.
- Any ideas for getting players to be more involved in off season lifting/camps: rewards for people who come often, rides for those who don't have them, part of their volunteering could be ride share, carpooling, etc. Get lists of kids and get names of kids that can help each other out.
- Spirit wear: Nothing new
- Website: Add post season accolades.
- Banquet: invitations are out and waiting for them to come back in. Tara is concerned that she doesn't have all of the emails that are needed to be sure everyone is invited. Coach will send them a text to check their email for invites.

Vice-President Report: (Carrie Westrum)

- We will not be doing a golf tournament because Carrie was able to get a MYAS state basketball tournament. It should generate between \$15-20,000 for the program as we get both admissions and concessions. We will be hosting the boys tournament on March 8-10 and will need volunteers.

New nominations for Booster Club for 2019-20; invite people to next meeting to fill the positions.

- President-Carrie Westrum
- Vice President-Jeanne and Brett Tompkins
- Treasurer-Brad Westrum
- Secretary-Laura Olsen
- Concessions-Trisha Lee
- Fundraising-Sayleen Schmeling and Laura Olsen
- Dump on Savage-open
- Spirit Wear/TD Club-Vonnie Passon
- Study Group Coordinator-open
- Program-Laura Olsen
- Webmaster-Wayne Passon
- Photographer-Dave Staniforth
- BCTV-open
- Post Game Meals-Scott Hughes
- Blitz Day-open
- Camp Ripley Food-open
- Picture Information-Laura Olsen
- Root Beer Floats-open
- Watermelon Bowl-open
- Gameday Set Up-Wayne Passon, Mike Olsen, Scott Hughes
- Football Mom Club-Laura Olsen and Sayleen Schmeling
- BAC night-Tracy Discher
- Teacher Appreciation Night-Tracy Discher
- Senior Night-Sayleen Schmeling; Mike Olsen-pictures
- Tackle Cancer Night-Trisha Lee
- Playoff Game-open
- Discover BHS-open
- Banquet Chair-open
- Firemuster Parade-open
- Grade level pizza party leads-open
- Senior 2019 grade level coordinator-Tara Kruger
- Junior grade level coordinator-open
- Sophomore grade level coordinator-
- Freshman grade level coordinator-

Next Meeting set for Monday, Jan. 7th at 6:30 in Room A24