

Dugout Club Meeting  
February 1, 2022

Present: Teri Charest, Ted Erickson, Colleen Brazier, Bree Stuflick, Dana Frederick, Sarah Anderson, Laurie Curnow, Tom Zinselmeier

Approval of January Meeting Minutes (Teri)

Financial Update (Laurie)

- Current balance \$24k
- At this point in the year, we are spending money in preparation for the season. Will recoup many of these expenses.
- Winter Clinic is short of the project target
  - 28 kids are registered
  - We tend to get a flood of registrations at the last minute
  - We will continue to publicize
- Discussed whether the \$12k we have budgeted for general fund donations is realistic. Decided to check in at the next meeting to see if it feels like we are on track.

Winter Clinic (Coach Erickson)

- 28 kids are registered (6th grade - 0, 7th grade -9, 8th grade - 10, 9th grade -9)
- We have parent volunteers for the first two dates. Need volunteers for March 6. (2 parents per session)
- We have a new logo for the Winter Clinic
- Shirts are ordered

Events (Sarah, Dana)

- Confirmed the dates of the event nights:
  - April 7 - Home opener
  - April 21 - Alumni game (4:30)
  - April 28 - Teacher Appreciation (4:30)
  - May 10 - Youth Night
  - May 16 - Community Service Night
  - May 23 - Senior Night
  - June 12 - Banquet
- We had an initial planning meeting with Centennial for Community Service Night
- The consensus was to keep the same location and format for the banquet again this year.

Bussing To/From Games (Coach Erickson)

- 9th graders will have a bus
- We will charter a bus for Duluth games ((\$900) - paid for by Dugout Club)

Fundraising Update (Colleen, Bree)

- Met with a group of volunteers. Each person has an assignment and will have a check in meeting the week of Feb 7.
- Raffle - Cane's agreed to sponsor our raffle ticket for \$500
- Sign sponsors
  - Blaine Orthodontics - \$200

- Home Lite - \$275
  - Clives - \$200
- The sponsorship letter on the website is old. We need to update it and increase the amount it costs to be a sign sponsor.
- There will be an apparel sale after teams are formed. Will probably use BSN since they are easy to work with.
- Owen Johnson's sister is holding a Valentine's Day baked goods sale and is donating a percentage of sales to Blaine Baseball.
- There will be a Texas Roadhouse Dining Night on Feb 22.

#### Parent Communication (Teri)

- Decided that we should send a parent communication the week of Feb 7 and include:
  - Information about registering for tryouts
  - Open gym info (Wed from 6:30 - 7)
  - Winter Clinic info
  - Throwing and conditioning week tentative schedule

#### Summer Baseball

- Tom found out that there is an active Ham Lake Legion (defined as active because they paid their dues). It's Ham Lake Post 2000.
- Jesse Davies was looking in to see if he could find a sponsoring post - Colleen will check in with him
- With John Webb becoming the head coach at Richfield, Tom Zinselmeier is the Legion Head Coach. Dylan Wilson will be his assistant.
- Jason Hayek will be the VFW head coach. Need to identify the VFW assistant coach.
- Proposing changes to uniforms:
  - Purchase a set of nicer uniforms and use them for 3-5 years
    - Can purchase a Nike jersey from BSN for \$35-50 per jersey
    - Cost will be about the same per player - last year we charged \$20/jersey
  - The group was supportive of this as long as the overall cost per player doesn't significantly go up.
- Laurie will register the team for the Legion tournament

#### Topics for the March Meeting

- Spend more time discussing summer baseball (need to have AI in attendance)
- Insurance
- Target for general fund donations - is it realistic?