



**Cougar Club Executive & Public Board
Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2024 - 6:00pm & 7:00pm**

Cougar Club Executive Board Meeting 6:00pm - Field House

Board Attendance: Mike Martindale, Randy Seagraves, Melissa Mueller, Scott Stapp, Scott Stapp, Colleen Stapp, Lee Rinn, Kelly Yates, Chuck Glenewinkel, Paul Hawrlyk

Special Guests: Josh Munson, Peter Martin

Proceedings: 5:59pm meeting called to order by Mike.

Funding Requests:

Baseball Coach Litton requested \$500 for end-of-season banquet. Chuck made a motion to approve the funding request, Colleen seconded, and the motion passed.

Football Coach Pryor requested \$420 for team fitness bands. Lee made a motion to approve the funding request, Melissa seconded, and the motion passed.

Cross Country Coach Munson requested \$8,679.16 for tournament travel/lodging, Melissa made a motion to approve the funding request, Paul seconded, and the motion passed.

Track Coaches Martin & DeBerry requested \$27,335 for replacement of hurdles/blocks. Kelly made a motion to approve the funding request, Colleen seconded, and the motion passed.

General Business:

Chuck made a motion to approve the June 3 minutes, Scott seconded, and the motion passed.

Colleen/Mike shared about two candidates interested in serving as new CO-VPs for Special Events. They are Katy Jackson and Lauren Connally. Scott made a motion to approve Katy/Lauren as our CO-VPs for Special Event, Kelly seconded, and the motion passed.

Mike/Colleen shared that we have two candidates to serve as new CO-VPs Special Events. They are Katy Jackson and Lauren Connally. Scott Kelly

Colleen shared that membership registration/renewal is continuing and our current membership total is at 80. She indicated the need to streamline/automate online membership registration correspondence.

The board continued discussion about the proposed 2024-2025 budget. On behalf of Jill, Randy shared these budget updates included from suggestions during discussions last month. from the last meeting. Those include:

- Added revenue for Spirit Shop for profit share
- Increased the discretionary funds to \$1K per sport
- Increased the banquet allocation to \$25 per athlete/coach

- Increased scholarships to \$18K, consistent with this year
- Added digital fan guide expense of \$7K
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Randy also reiterated that, during the May meet, the board voted to change the Cougar Club fiscal year to Aug 1- July 31.

Lee made a motion to close the executive meeting at 7:02 pm, Paul seconded, and the motion passed.

Cougar Club Public Board Meeting 7:00pm - Field House

Special Guests: Elaine Fiuza Rivas, Jaime Henry, Michelle Deleon, Anetra Bowie

Mike welcomed guests and shared that the just board approved approx \$36K of coaches funding requests for track, cross country, baseball and football. He confirmed that we voted to approve Katy Jackson and Lauren Connally as co-VPs for Special Events. He also asked board members introduce themselves and to provide updates:

Sponsorship - Paul talked about his position and shared about new signage areas in around stadium that we will be using for sponsorships

Parent Rep - Lee shared about his position and indicated he would be helping connect parents from teams to membership and to volunteer opportunities with Cougar Club.

Secretary - Randy described his role and invited parents to consider getting involved with the board in one of the board co-chair positions. Those positions are for volunteers to work alongside current board members to learn responsibilities of that role, then to serve in that role the following year.

Membership - Scott/Colleen Stapp shared about their role and encouraged parents to become members. They also talked about the different membership levels and supporting CC as volunteers. She confirmed that current membership is at 80, that membership registration is open online, and volunteer opportunities are posted there as well.

Spirit Shop - Kelly confirmed that we are set with a new 3 year agreement with M&M Apparel to handle Spirit Shop. Cougar Club receives a percentage of sales from any purchases made online or on the campus Spirit Shop purchases during Cougar games and other special events.

Concessions - Melissa Mueller shared that concessions relies on parent and student volunteer support. She noted that concessions generates over \$100k each year and is only successful because of the support of volunteers. She encouraged our guests to support/volunteer with concessions and help to spread the word.

Mke shared that the next Cougar Club public meet will be August 5. The upcoming meet on July 22 will be an executive session.

The public meeting closed at 7:23