OTHS BOOSTER CLUB MEETING October 12, 2022

President Tiffany Ditchfield called the meeting to order, with 22 members in attendance. The minutes from the September meeting were approved by Ginny Phillips and seconded by Cortney Kaufman. Debbie Heimsoth read a thank you note received from the OHS Cross Country team for the new timing clock. Stephanie Larsen presented the treasurer's report for the month of September. Ginny Phillips made the motion to approve and Kim Ruhland seconded.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP (Ginny Phillips) We have 101 members for the current year. Online club applications can be found at https://www.ohsboosterclub.org/page/show/6162816-join-oths-booster-club

A discussion was had on how we might grow our membership. It was noted that the Booster Club raises money for and agrees to spend on all our IHSA sponsored teams however our membership is made up of only a small percentage of team participants.

WEBSITE (Ellen Gross) no report

SPIRITWEAR (Sam Haage, Tiffany Ditchfield) Tiffany reported 300 Homecoming t-shirts were sold. Tiffany also mentioned a Christmas sale will be held during basketball games prior to the holidays. Exact dates TBD. Volunteers will be needed.

FOOTBALL & BASKETBALL 50/50 The Booster Club is still looking for a volunteer to chair this committee during basketball season. The commitment is for Friday night home games only.

PIRATE CHEST (Cortney Kaufman) The drawing was held during the football game on Friday 10/7. Cortney reported approximately \$18,000 in ticket sales this year. This is down approximately \$2500 from 2021.

CONCESSION STAND (Dawn Wilson) Dawn thanked the Booster Club for the new coolers. Dawn and Renee Herman mentioned that it has been challenging to get parent volunteers in the concession stand this fall. Discussion was had if this should remain the "responsibility" of football parents only or should other teams have the opportunity to volunteer in exchange for receiving some of the profit. It has been done both ways in years past.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Mike Cooper) Mike noted the purchase of new coolers for the concession stand.

MISCELLANEOUS

- The football moms present at the meeting were suggesting the possibility of some sort of "on fielding" for the players i.e., a tunnel. Another suggestion was made to "up the ante" so to speak with our Homecoming parade. Thank you to Kim Ruhland, Courtnye Miller and Renee Herman for refurbishing the Homecoming Court float!
- Debbie Knoll noted there was a low turnout for VIP Night held on 10/7. She thanked Bianchi's, Jimmy John's and Handy Foods for their contributions to this event. She also mentioned we received a \$100 donation from Tropical Snow from Red & White Night. We appreciate the support from our community!

NEW BUSINESS

- The Steak Dinner is planned for Saturday April 1, 2023 at the Knights of Columbus. The fee rental for this location is \$1000. We discussed possible themes i.e. A Night at the Races. Also looking for Committee Chair people for this event!
- Courtnye Miller made a motion to spend the remaining \$29,695.49 of the \$55,000 that the club originally pledged toward the Nevco video board on (2) NEW scoreboards for the softball and baseball/soccer fields. Melanie Hart seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The baseball & softball programs will each receive \$14,847.75.

The meeting was adjourned and approved by Kate Jaegle and seconded by Courtnye Miller. The next meeting will be held Wednesday November 9, 2022 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted-Debbie Heimsoth