

RB Parent Sports Club

Meeting Minutes from September 19, 2019

Opening: The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by President Twomey. In attendance was President Twomey, VP Royer, VP Keen, Treasurer Murphy, Secretary Pacourek and 22 Club members representing all Fall sports.

<u>Presidents's Report:</u> President Twomey welcomed all those members present and provided the below summary of approved requests.

The Board approved Cheerleading funding to help towards new competition uniforms - \$1750 (Board will confirm that the athletic department will cover the rest of other \$1750).

The Board approved \$1300 for the Boys and Girls Tennis Teams for ball serving equipment with a condition that by May of 2020, both teams have a 25% membership rate or they need to pay back \$650.

The Board approved Volleyball new uniforms - \$2500-\$3000.

The Board approved a 20% discount on membership for veterans in the Booster club - this covers all levels of membership.

Secretary's Report: August meeting minutes were presented for review. Minutes were reviewed. Mike Murphy made a motion to approve the minutes and Jennie Royer seconded. Minutes are approved and will be posted to the website.

Treasurer's Report: The Booster current balance is \$25,962 with current bills paid. Mike walked through the report, which includes end of last fiscal year through current date. Mike walked through the expenses and revenues at a high level - he is hoping to break out membership and spirit wear separate in the future. Mike highlighted that the Golf Outing raised \$7,700. He also noted that first football game intake was amazing - \$6500 in revenue. Brian added to this by recognizing the volunteers as well as the new pizza supplier - Barone's in Brookfield. Brian also communicated a new policy that will be implemented for concessions - the bank sheet provided with the money should be confirmed. If the starting bank balance does not match the money provided, please text Mike Murphy.

Existing Committee Reports:

Chef's Night Out (chair Julie Laube): Julie noted that the CNO at Bill's Place earned \$40 which was light compared to the actual attendance. Julie noted attendees need to proactively mention that they are with RB to ensure that we get credit. The next CNO will be on Tuesday September 24th (4 - 8 p.m.) at the Berwyn Chipotle (corner of Cermak and Harlem). Just mention RBHS at the register!

Future locations that Julie is working to schedule are LaBarra, Buona Beef, Chick-fil-A and Chipotle (LaGrange). Let Julie know any other recommendations or ideas.

A request was made to add the flyer for each CNO to the website and to send a blast out to the membership. There was also discussion about creation of a banner that includes all restaurants who have offered a CNO.

Concessions (co-chairs Mary Liss and Amy Raymond): The first football game was a hugely successful night for outdoor concessions. Mary and Amy thanked the team reps for their help in communication as the Sign Up Genius is quite full and we are getting great participation. We have held 5 concessions so far and next week is another busy week. There was discussion around events that are not on the SUG/originally planned by the Boosters such as the Pepsi Challenge, regional soccer games and Junior Bulldog basketball games. The Concession chairs will check in with Donna weekly to see if there are other events that come up that require concessions or if any events had a change in schedule or venue.

Amy noted that they will plan to publish the winter SUG in October once they have more information on event dates.

A number of volunteers have noted that we need more quarters and singles in concessions.

Membership (chair Trina Valencia): Jennie gave a report. We currently have 273 members registered - up 90 members since last month's meeting. Six teams are above 50% membership. Jennie reminded the attendees that each Booster needs to ensure that members have their kids aligned to their respective sports.

Programs (co chairs Cathy Haley and Mary Proteau): Jennie gave an update - we have sold more ads than in prior years - could be revenue generating this year.

Spirit Wear (co-chairs Kristin Hoyd and JoAnna Leon): Kristin noted almost all slots are filled for the Fall on Sign Up Genius. Sales have been going great and they continue to reorder.

Discussed the T-shirt design contest - more information to come on this in 2020.

Team Reps: (chair Sandy Briolat): Sandy has been publishing team membership rates for Fall sports. She shared information about the Twomey challenge meant to increase membership/involvement. The challenge includes pizza parties for sports with the highest membership rates/increases. Membership numbers are increasing as a result of the challenge. Sandy noted that most teams are now signed up for their once a season Chick-fil-A sandwich dinner.

Sandy asked that Boosters let her know if you have sets of siblings on your team - so they can be counted in the membership numbers.

Sandy and others gave an update on senior banners - almost 100 banners will be hung up - all teams are represented and this opportunity has been really well received. There was discussion about how to recognize some seniors where RB isn't their home field/location. Brian is discussing having these seniors recognized at Youth Appreciation Night - Brian to talk to Brendan about this option.

Website (chair Mike Mazurkiewicz): Mike requested information for the website and calendar be sent to him at Support@rbsportsboosters.com. Team Reps and others can also

submit sport event pictures to be posted on the website. Mike is investigating changing platforms.

Golf Outing (chair Nik Novak): The golf outing made almost \$8000. This event is a huge opportunity for us to make money to reinvest in the student athletes. The committee is starting to consider sponsors. Talk to Nik or Kristin if you have any ideas. We plan to hold the event earlier this school year - possibly May. Come volunteer if you don't go golf - the event is really fun!

Bulldog Corporate Partner (chair Mark Mieczkowski): Kathy is waiting for graphics. We have a number of sponsors already lined up and she is working on banners. The banners will be in various locations depending on the sponsorship level.

Publicity (chair Meaghan Matthews): Megan continues to ask for pictures from Team Reps - she is posting Athlete of the Week and then posting on Facebook regularly.

Special Events (chair Romy Vargus): Romy has reached out to Toys for Tots and is waiting to hear back. Sandy and Jennie met with Vice Principal Mannon who is also interested in further community engagement for the school. They will continue conversations with VP Mannon since this idea aligns with some of his goals for the school. There was discussion around extending a scholarship in a student's name - further discussion is required with the school and the Boosters on this topic.

AD Report:

Not able to attend due to a number of sporting events/activities this evening.

Old Business:

Senior Banners - discussed earlier in Team Reps update. For Homecoming, we need to make sure each sport is assigned a location. AD Curtain owes us rules on where they can be hung in the winter. The teams will need to be responsible for taking the banners down.

Community Outreach - discussed in Special events.

New Business:

Senior Scholarship Awards - covered in Special Events. Will discuss in future meetings. Jennie and Brian called attention to the new banner on the doghouse - Wendy Winkler designed, and Nik Novak printed for this for free.

Announcements:

Brian again thanked everyone involved in concessions. He is highly supportive of an increased commitment to community outreach this year to further our school spirit.

A motion was made and seconded for adjournment.

The next meeting is scheduled to take place Thursday, October 17th in the Alumni Lounge at 7pm.