

March 2025 Meeting

19 March 2025 / 7 PM / ROOM 201



NOTES

- **Meeting called to order:** 6:59 pm by Jennie Royer
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Principal Report (Dr. Freytas)

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AD Report (Sandy on behalf of Fil Torres)

- Thank you all for the work that you do.
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Student Ambassadors' Report

- This month's ambassadors: Emelia, Alia and Avery
- Q: How many other sporting events have you been to (outside of your own)? E: Not many. We have busy schedules so it is difficult. Went to every football game and a few basketball games. Harder when you are in-season with your own sport.
- Q: How do we get students more involved in going to other sporting events? E: Announcing things more. I don't always know what is going on. I wouldn't mind a gift card to go to a game.
- Q: What do you love most about being a student athlete at RB? A: The environments are so fun and welcoming. A really good community. Making new friends.
- Q: Would you see if we posted things on the Instagram page about the activities for the week? A: yes.
- Additional discussion ideas:
 - Giving extra credit for some classes (maybe just for PE classes). Sandy expressed concern - extra credit has to be related to school work. But it could be related to sports team points.
 - Pep band could encourage more energy and be more lively. Making it more of a destination.

- Have other groups or teams (math team, gymnastics team) come to do some sort of “show” or “activity” or “contest” during the game
- Is there ever a spring season pep rally? We could collect attendance at events for sports that don’t have big crowds. Those could go to a “win” at the pep rally.
- Cross sport activities – example: soccer girls played the boys water polo team in a game of soccer; or a powder puff game.

Officers’ Reports

- **President Report (Jennie Royer)**

- Shared the report of volunteer hours per sport (fall and winter seasons). As we have noticed recently, volunteer participation is unequally distributed.
- Will do more outreach to coaches to push on this.
- New senior banner process is not working as well as anticipated. Want to propose a new (hybrid) process. Part of it is so that we can help the coaches out by alleviating the burden of managing the process. We will put forth a recommendation. We aren’t trying to disrupt things, but we really think that we need to continue to evolve the process to strike all the right notes.
- On behalf of the Turk family, the boosters donated \$350 to the family of Coach Turk in light of the recent death of his wife.

- **Secretary Report (Stacey Doyle)**

- Previous meeting notes provided to attendees
- Motion to approve: Michell Ruska; Seconded: Kim Cimino

- **Treasurer Report (Michelle Ruska)**

- **Bank Balance: \$70,397**
- Activities Breakdown:

	Income	Expense	Profit
Membership	\$27,635	\$910 Windbreakers \$3,813 Vouchers	\$22,912
Concessions	\$74,224	\$33,475	\$40,749
Spirit Wear	\$40,890	\$25,482	\$15,408
Memory Book / Program	\$850	\$1,094 (includes \$188 last	\$-244

		year's printing)	
Bulldog Bonanza	\$17,276	\$9,057	\$8,219
Chef's Night Out	\$586	\$0	\$586

- Funding Requests to date: \$58,096
(Includes last years funding of scoreboard and FB uniforms of \$25,730); (2024-2025 = \$32,366)
- Gross profit: \$160,322; Net Revenue: \$12,222
- \$350 was donated to the Turk Family in memory of Meghan
- We had 1 new \$25 membership so far for the Spring season
- No new funding requests were paid out since last month
- Bonanza numbers are not "true" as we still have some outstanding purchases.

Committee Reports

- **Membership Committee Report (Heather Manning)**
 - 3 new member for spring so far (across 5 sports)
 - New incentive: Spring team with the most new memberships will get a pizza party.
- **Concessions Committee Report (Julie Novak)**
 - Sign up is done for spring. Need some help with open/close activities from the Board members.
- **Spirit Wear Committee Report (Jennie Royer on behalf of Debbie Kummer)**
 - Started promoting a spring season sale last week.
 - Starting to plan for next year's inventory.
- **Team Reps Committee Report (Jennie Royer on behalf of Becky Kocourek)**
 - Senior banner discussion needs Becky's perspective
- **Digital Communications Committee Report (Chris Hajer absent)**
 - No updates.
 - Committee descriptions - confirmed as still on the website.
- **Bulldog Bonanza Committee Report (Stacey Doyle)**
 - March 3-day pop up was a success.
 - May full week is being planned. Need to talk to Shannon Adams about picking it up for next year and to train in May Bonanza.
- **Chef's Night Out Committee Report (Aaron Lenaghan)**
 - Next event: April 9 (4-8PM) at Panera in La Grange Park - 25% back

- Joe Ivan is potentially an option to take over this committee.
 - **Memory Book Committee Report (Jennie Royer on behalf of Katie P)**
 - Winter books are done and emails sent.
 - Started putting together the details for spring.
 - Katie to send the component parts to Jennie for TouchPro
 - **TouchPro Committee Report (Jennie Royer)**
 - Jennie is working on loading videos
 - Data entry is still underway
 - **Scholarship Committee (Jennie Royer on behalf of Melissa Porter)**
 - Applications are closed.
 - Amount of scholarship could vary based on our bank balance and how many applicants there are.
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OLD Business

- Student cross-sport participation

NEW Business

- Nominating committee
 - Only 2-3 committee chair positions to fill
 - This is in the works
 - Email will go out to the school and to booster membership
- We are going to have Wendy create a banner for the back of our window display. And working with Dave Mannon to get approval to hang some banners around the school.

Meeting adjourned: Stacey Doyle motion; Jennie Royer seconded 7:48 pm

ATTENDEES:

BOARD: Jennie Royer, Aaron Lenaghan, Stacey Doyle, Michelle Ruska, Julie Novak; **# of MEMBERS:** 8