

West Albany Booster Club
Minutes
January 20, 2009

Call to Order

Introduction of Members and Visitors Present

Treasurer's Report:

\$27,049.01 Checking
\$ 1811.11 Savings
~\$ 1659.00 Deposits to be Made

We need to make a few changes to our checking account. We will take Kim Pigg off. We are also looking at combining all our accounts at one bank and having the Golf Club account set up as a separate account within the larger Booster account. Bill O'Bryan made a motion and it was passed to proceed with this action. Glenda will coordinate with Dani to complete this transfer.

Spirit Goods' Report:

Laura mentioned and thanked the office staff for the excellent support during the month of December. Numerous walk-ins to purchase goods. Since the office is such a key location to sell goods, Bill is going to meet with Susie and see if we can make the room across from the office into a display case and storage area. That would enable the office to be able to assist us even better.

Concession Report:

We will be having a special meal at Friday's basketball game against Corvallis. It will be a barbeque beef sandwich. We also plan two additional specials during the season.

Kid wrestling was held January 3 this year. It wasn't as successful as previous years; probably due to the date change and slowing economy.

Old Business

Golf Tournament

Through 11/30, there was \$12,687 in our Golf account. We still have to pay Springhill Country Club and McKenzie Outfitters, along with the payments to South and West.

Safeway Club Card

The school will send a message out to parents to let them know about the club card and how to sign up on the booster website.

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Bill indicated it is time for us to have our first audit. We will locate a CPA to do this for us. Bill will find out the requirements and coordinate with Sue Hall.

Booster Website

Bonnie mentioned that our website is up and running. Now that it is going, there are several things enhancements we can make to it. One of them is soliciting sponsors. This would enable us to pay for our annual maintenance fee of \$500. More discussion on this later.

New Business

Rich Sipe came and presented us the current state of affairs regarding being able to support all activities and sports. For the past few years, expenses have been running higher than revenue being received. Rich has been able to handle it up until now, but we are at a time when decisions are going to have to be made as to whether to raise player fees, etc. in order to keep afloat. Raising player fees is not an option we want to explore. At the same time, the school district has cut funding due to budget cuts. In funding to the school, the district pays for transportation, set number of coaches, and maintenance of the fields. We are responsible for everything else. Rich and Susie made a request of the Booster Club for \$20,000. A motion was made and passed that we would fulfill the request. Total payment would be made by May 1, 2009.

In addition, a solution to help with the shortfall, Rich is proposing a Spring Car Wash. He has met with all coaches and advisors and they are in favor of this idea, as well. All students participating in any organized activity/sport at the school would be expected to sell a set number of tickets. A day would be set aside for the car wash either at West or a designated business. Each team/activity would have a designated time for their slot to work the car wash. Maybe wear t-shirts identifying their activity. Possible barbeque during the event. At the end of the day, a reward for all kids - outside dance? Possibly have a drawing at the end of the day for everyone who redeems their car wash ticket. The goal would be to raise \$15,000. Early May is the timeframe.

Good of the Order

Next Meeting February 9, 2009.