

Portage Northern Soccer Boosters General Meeting

Oct 17, 2005

I. Minutes: Sept 19 minutes were read. It was moved and passed to accept the minutes.

II. Financial Report: Sally presented the financial report. She is working with Gazelle on a few items. There was some disagreement with Gazelle on the cost of socks. Sally will follow up on this. We received banner renewal funds. Sally will be taking over the capital fund from Kathy Howland. Portage Athletic Foundation will have several of these funds now for different schools. Moved/passed to accept Treasurers report.

III. Administration report: Chris reported for Carl that the PPS board is reviewing policies including an un-enforced policy that 30% of all banner and sign advertising on PPS grounds should go to the general fund of PPS. They would like to know the amount brought in from this type of advertising. The 30% would not be retroactive, but would start 2006-2007 school year. Chris reported that Rick Perry said he will try to get this policy removed, but doubts he will be able to with the financial state of our schools right now. Booster discussion included an alternative to banners of a brochure to hold the rosters with the advertisers listed. Gail Brown reported the past year banner profit.

IV. Fundraising

- A. **Banner Sales:** Gail Brown reported what we received so far in renewal fees from 4 companies. There is one torn sign, and 2 missing. MC sign will be remade since they have sent in their renewal fee. Cost goes up for us when we have to have a new sign made. Gail presented a draft with a simplified pricing schedule. This was accepted. There was some discussion about pricing. We will go forward this year with getting renewals and new banners, and reassess as we see what happens with the PPS 30% policy next fall.
- B. **Pizza hut and other:** Lisa Suhr reported that the coupons are selling. She has received some money already. It is due Oct 28th. Will send out a reminder flier and email note. She will work on getting a date for the golf outing later.

V. Coach's Report

District game Oct 25 7PM at Jackson Mehall Field. If we win we will play the winner of Gr Ledge and Holt played at Holt Th Oct 27 5PM. Finals Sat Oct 29th Holt 1 PM (not sure of time due to football playoffs. Concession stand is ready for the last 2 home games.

VI. Long Range Projects:

- A. **Storage Facility:** Work day 8-12 Sat Oct 22.
- B. **Building Update:** no update from John on roof or electrical. He has been calling everyday but there has been no action. John has reported different things taking their time and money each time. The buildings are still good enough to use for this week's games if need be.
- C. **Announcers Roof:** Al Nemeth: reminded us of the dampness last spring from the thaw in the announcer's booth which holds a lot of expensive sound equipment. The media stand is removeable, so we could remove the media stand and then replace it when the roof is fixed. Al gave 3 possible scenarios: 1)

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- Shingle as is 2) coat with a rubberized material 3) change the pitch 4) put gable roof in front with media stand in back. We could contact John Spenser one more time, and if we don't hear from him decide to move forward on one of the options. There is expensive donated sound equipment in there, so we need to get it taken care of before winter. We will set another work day to do this if need be.
- D. **Field Maintenance:** School came in and slit the field. Will overseed at end of season. Put one application of fertilizer on this fall. Shouldn't have slit it mid season. Cuts it up.
- E. **Practice area:** John said he'd help get us a practice area. We need to have the practice area overseeded also. Practice area behind track – we will ask John what he can do for us on that area. Could use the barn moved. Won't need irrigation. Water for drinking will come from track area, maybe can use the storage area from football/track.

VII. Activities:

- A. Web site: Al is doing fine. Westmichigansoccer.com has a link to our website. PSC does also.
- B. Peru uniforms : bring old uniforms for Tom Weissert to send to Peru where his daughter is in the Peace Corps.
- C. Sr night tomorrow night to start right after the JV game.
- D. Banquet: Wed Nov 16 6-9 PM at the Fetzer center, cost \$15/person. It will be very similar to the past, but on a weeknight, not weekend.

VIII. New Business:

- A. A Donation will be made to the boosters in the name of coach's grandma who passed away this fall.
- B. Names on sign – decided not to update this due to costs. We will put permanent pictures of huskies or something there instead.
- C. JV video – we didn't have anyone sign up to do this. Debbie Krueger has a bro-in-law who can do it for a charge. Not sure if we'll charge the players, or if boosters will cover the costs. Banquet committee will decide this.

IX. Adjourn Adjourn 8:20 Next meeting Nov 8, no meeting Dec 10

Action Items:

All: bring old uniforms for Tom Weissert

Sally: follow up on disagreement with Gazelle on the cost of socks.

Gail: We will go forward this year with getting renewals and new banners

Lisa: collect Pizza Hut \$ due Oct 28th

Al Nemeth: reminded us of the dampness last spring from the thaw in the announcer's booth which holds a lot of expensive sound

Brian Doud and Margie: follow up with John Spenser on Announcers Booth, practice fields, and electrical for the storage areas.