

Portage Northern Soccer Boosters

Meeting Minutes September 19, 2005

I. Approval of Aug 19th minutes: were read and accepted.

II. Financial Report: Sally prepared and presented the financial report along with the capital fund report. There is still some money to come in from socks and concessions and a few disbursements to be made for building supplies (K Suhr), brown socks (S Bailey) and purchases (balls, etc) from Gazelle.. The report was accepted.

III. Administration: Carl Latora

- A. The problem with the new concession door keys has been taken care of
- B. The warm-ups we planned to order have been discontinued. He had to pick out another and now it has to go through the bidding process. Embroidery will take up to 2 weeks once they are in. Kids should wear sweatshirts with PN on them until we get these in.
- C. Having kids get a ride home from local games saves the program \$19/hour of bus driver time.
- D. Restroom windows on North end have been broken. A work order has been submitted.

IV. Coaches Comments:

- A. Long Sleeve Jerseys: New brown jerseys are in. Chris would like to keep these in the program. Boosters agreed to pay for these. There are 26 extra jerseys. Carl has agreed to offer the soccer players the first opportunity to buy these jerseys before they are sold at school.
- B. Game times for Sep 24th Sat: 10 and 1:00 for JV and 11:30 and 2:30 for Varsity. The first game will be against Lowell. There will be a tailgate party at 11:30 again.
- C. Sportsmanship: coach talked to parents about comments from the stands. Chris would appreciate fans not berating the refs. It was embarrassing to him and the team. Lisa Suhr suggested we send an apology to East Kentwood. Chris Riker will follow up on this with the coach and the referee. Carl noted that he can take away the ability of a person to be at the games if there continues to be a problem. Also, fans need to help keep things in line in the stands. Carl will see to it that there is fan control at the PN/PC game.
- D. Coach's policy is that kids who get suspended from school functions and miss the practice the day before a game must also miss the next day game.

V. Long Range Projects:

- A. Storage Buildings: Brian Doud reported that we still need a workday to finish the interior and a little more painting. Chris has been able to use

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- these storage facilities instead of the concession which has been great. The electrical work order was put in a month before the buildings, but it doesn't look like it will be done before the end of the season. Brian Doud will discuss this with John Spencer.
- B. Building Update: The announcers booth roof is badly in need of repair. John Spencer will check his records to see who should fix this. Brian will meet with John on this.
 - C. Field Maintenance: John Spencer had the fields tested but we don't have the report back yet. He will slit-seed after the PC game and will overseed. After girls season the field will be top dressed and reseeded. Kingdom won't be on our fields this summer.
 - D. Practice Fields: John Spencer is willing to upgrade the area by the track and look at fencing. Fencing cost may go back to the boosters. Chris mentioned that we could check with the Lacrosse team who uses the field behind North and perhaps make that an extension of our current irrigation system.

VI. Fundraising Activities

- A. Banner Sales: Gail Brown reported on her progress on the banner sales. Thanks to Gail for organizing and simplifying this. Renewal letters will go out soon. The pamphlet will be reworked and Lisa will send it out to a mailing list to request new banners.
- B. New Fundraising ideas: Lisa Suhr presented a packet of information on some new ideas including the Little Ceasars kit sale, Qdoba coupons, Pizza Hut coupon sales and a golf outing. It was moved and passed for the boosters to buy the Pizza Hut coupon books for the kids to sell. It was moved and passed to have a golf outing also. The golf outing idea will be discussed at the next meeting when a date will be chosen. Thanks for all your work Lisa.

VII. Activities:

- A. Brown socks: Sandy Bailey has purchased the socks and will submit a receipt for reimbursement. Thanks for getting them.
- B. Another game on our schedule: Mon Sept 26 at home vs. South Haven. The concession stand schedule will be added to for this game.
- C. Web site: Al will update the web site with all of the new game times. The site has been very helpful, thanks to Al.
- D. AYSO night: Leslie Schreiber has 2 teams to play on Oct 4 between the JV and Varsity games. She has leads on PSC teams. Kids who come wearing AYSO or PSC shirts get in free and get a free candy bar. Chris will contact KC about starting at 7:00 that night instead of 6:45.
- E. Sr night will be Oct 6th
- F. Logo wear: Terri Hecker will hand this out at the East Lansing games. This brought in some profit for the boosters.

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- G. There are still slots to fill on the volunteer list: Sr night, stats for JV team, additional photographer for JV, a co-chair from the underclassmen parents for the banquet.

VIII. New business

Banquet: The date is normally between Nov 10 – 15. Suggestions were solicited for the banquet location. It was suggested to check into the Kalamazoo Country Club, the Radisson, and the Fetzer Center.

IX. Adjourn 8:45 Next meetings: 7:00 Mon Oct 17 in staff lounge, Tues, Nov 8, Mon Dec 12 in library.

Action Items:

Brian Doud: organize a booster work day/night to do some exterior painting, finish the inside of one of the buildings.

Meet with John Spencer on repair of the announcer's booth, fencing for the possible practice area next to the track, and provide keys for the concession stand door.

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Check with the Lacrosse team on sharing expenses to extend the irrigation to the North and fence off?

Gail Brown send renewal notices for banners. The pamphlet will be reworked

Chris Riker: send an apology to the coach and to the referee from the East Kentwood match.

Contact KC about starting at 7:00 that night instead of 6:45 on Oct 4.

Lisa Suhr: Golf outing to be discussed at the next meeting when a date will be chosen.

Send out the banner pamphlet once it's completed to a mailing list to request new banners.

Janice and Jean: Another game on our schedule: Mon Sept 26 at home vs. South Haven. Additional concession stand workers will be needed for this game.

Banquet Committee: Choose a date and location – check the Kalamazoo Country Club, Radisson and Fetzer Center.

Sandy Bailey: Submit receipt for the sock reimbursement

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Kyle Suhr: Submit receipt for storage facility plywood.

Peggy Staver:

Fill open slots on the volunteer list: Sr night, stats for JV team, additional photographer for JV, a co-chair from the underclassmen parents for the banquet.