



# Portage Northern Soccer Boosters

## Draft Minutes

April 17, 2008 7:00 PM

- I. Approval of Mar 17, 2008 Minutes. Approved.
- II. Financial Report - Judy Hayes. We started the month with chkg bal close to 116. Collected for some things that still need to be paid out. We made about \$ on spirit wear, even with getting coaches shirts. Have to pay for some things: KIC, white shorts, Gazelle. We will pay the PPS loan after the next mtg. Report approved.
- III. Administration Report - Chris Riker, Athletic Director
  - A. Great sportsmanship from our fans at Mattawan - thanks!
  - B. Update on the bond. We need a point person from soccer boosters to ask what is happening instead of getting multiple emails and phone calls. Ultimately it is not a PN decision. They are not going to put a road thru without giving a field in return. It is a slow process. Discussion followed. Don Meyer noted that his co-president Garnet Eckstrand has been our point person with the bond issue.
  - C. May 6 - KRESA mileage renewal for 3 Million that if not passed would come out of PPS budget. There would be serious cuts if it doesn't pass.
- IV. Coaches' Comments - Andy Fuehr
  - A. Invoices: Indoor training, White shorts for Varsity, socks, tax forms for Gazelle. White shorts needed for JV were ordered on emergency approval by the board. It was proposed to follow thru and spend the \$ for the white shorts. Approved. When we ordered the uniforms some were too small. Andy ordered some for those that were small: 5 mediums - 5 Orange, 5 white. Went off of last year's order which was a Youth XL, which was boys youth. This year we went with a girls uniform, so it is a tighter cut and some are small. Chris advised that we not order women's cut from now on. Judy will help gather any additional requests for larger shirts or shorts tomorrow. Proposal to spend \$ to get proper sizes. Approved.
  - B. Future rental costs - would like a budget for future rental costs for girls try-outs. Boys season is only for if we have to go on turf. He would like to have a budget so he doesn't have to send a bunch of emails and get approval for bad weather. Would like to talk about this next mtg.

- C. Girls district and regional sites - girls districts are at Battle Creek Lakeview (grass field)- possibly 3 games that week. Regionals will be at Plainwell, which is turf.
  - D. Girls Alumni Game Update / suggestions - Fri May 9 6PM. Andy put something in the Gazette. Andy sent out an email also to his alumni list. He will send on to current list so current families can spread the word also.
  - E. 2008-09 girls and boys soccer division status - next year we will be D1. Top 3 div are schools in the top 80% of population and D4 is bottom 20% 1297 was limit for D2 last year, which is exactly where PN fit in. Now we are at 1321. Both boys and girls will be D1 for 2008-2009 school year.
  - F. WMU Team Camp Coordinator - need parent. Coaches are not allowed to do this due to new MHSAA rules. Need parent to collect money, wavers and give head count to the coaches. Need one for boys and one for girls WMU camp. Andy can communicate information, but needs a parent for the above info. Kim Sommers volunteered to do it for the men's season.
  - G. Volunteer Opportunities for the girls - will hold off for now due to the girls being so busy.
  - H. BCC does not have JV, so V only - 4:00 bus 5:30 game. Mon April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- V. Long Range Goals - (deferred due to Bond)
- VI. Fundraising
- A. **Carrabba's Italian Grill- Sat, April 26 - \$10 see Margie Stinson - need to sell. You can take some tickets to sell if you'd like.**
  - B. Concession - Betty is ready for Sat on grill and concessions.
  - C. Car Stickers - No report, but Chris wondered about magnets instead.
  - D. Car wash - date? Jeff Jones is working on it.
  - E. Hardings card, Meijer rewards (Our code is 530394)
  - F. Wenke Bucks (girls season only) - Ann Mullholland will sell for the JV and Marian for Varsity.
  - G. Banner Sales - need update of some contacts. Updated.
  - H. Team Program Update - sales due April 19 to Scott VanderSloot
- VII. Activities
- A. Volunteer sign-up holes - would like Videographer - Norm will do this for key games, JV Ball runners are needed - can parents do it and get in free? Chris says no. Other needs: United booster rep, alumni game, banner sales. Marian will email or hand out team roster, and signup list for everyone on Sat.

- B. Clean -up day - thanks to all! Had a good turn-out. May need to paint over the summer some.
- C. Concession items - recycle bins, fire extinguisher status, nacho machine are all in place. Thanks!
- D. Web Site - Al Nemeth / Norm Jansen - pnhssoccer.com
- E. Youth Soccer night - April 23: Norm's proposal to pay for kids entrance fee. Discussion. Proposal for Boosters to pay for first 50 elementary kids with uniforms on for youth soccer day. Approved.
- F. Austin Melgar day - May 23 - Andy working with Sara Krebil on this. We will send a jersey to him. Will try to get some Gazette coverage.
- G. Sr Night - May 5 - Joanne Clancy is all set on this.
- H. Banquet date - June 17- Joyce has reserved Fetzer.
- I. Soccer season update (anything else?)- Spirit wear is all dispensed. Marian will check on a possible donation. Could be used for uniforms and away meals. Marian reported on status of player payment and that we have 2 new players who she is still gathering info on: Kristen and Ciara are new.

#### VIII. New Business

- A. Speaker repair - Tom Weissert motion to buy one new speaker plus shipping to replace the away team speaker which is not working. Passed.
- B. Officer nominations for May and vote in June.
- C. How to address team dinner changes - If you want to add yourself to an empty day, go through team parent. If you want to switch amongst yourselves that's fine, but to add, go through team parent.

IX. Adjournment: 8:55 Next Meeting dates: May 15 7PM, June ?