



# Portage Northern Soccer Boosters

## Draft Minutes Feb 12, 2009 7:00 PM

<- Notice new logo to left!

- I. Nov 11, & Dec 15 2008 Minutes meeting Minutes/Update -
  - A. Approved Nov 11 minutes.
  - B. Reported that Dec 15, 2008, boosters approved 2 projects to have funds matched by PAF monies: the video tower, and the netting behind 3 goals on the field.
- II. Financial Report - Judy Hayes - reported on expenses, deposits and balance of bank account and soccer improvement account. One more payment on loan is due in June. We want to keep this account open with a minimal amount to receive tax deductible gifts and Meijer \$\$.
- III. Administration Report - Chris Riker, Athletic Director - not in attendance
- IV. Coaches' Comments - Andy Fuehr
  - A. Girls tryout schedule/cost - SZ is reserved for the week - 4:30-6 M-F. Quote is same as last year, \$650 for the week. 2 fields for 90 min. If weather is great maybe go outside, but like to have inside reserved. Team announcements are Th Mar 12, and then Mon 16<sup>th</sup> March is parent and booster mtg.
  - B. MHSSCA coaches clinic cost - at Soaring Eagle. Andy and maybe Pat. (assistants are Erin no Justin - not going to the clinic). Next Fri and Sat (Feb 21-22).
  - C. Soccer Divisions: Andy and other coaches are trying to get 4 equal divisions with breaks at 25% for population in the schools. Currently the top 3 divisions split the top 80% population and Div 4 is bottom 20%. We are right on brink - biggest D2 or smallest D1. Andy will keep pushing for this. Can't change this season, but perhaps next year. Forest Hills Central is 15 fewer students than we do this year.
  - D. Parent Meeting paperwork and schedule - Andy handed out updated schedules. Norm will put this calendar on Web site.
  - E. Calendar, event days and 3 for 1 schedule updated- Added March 21 @ E Kentwood Varsity scrimmages: 10- 12- 4. Andy would like to plan to eat at a restaurant between the 12 and the 4 game instead of potluck due to probable weather issues. April 18 schedule @ home for 3 for 1 - Varsity: 9:30, 12:30, 3:30 JV: 10:45, 1:45, 4:45
  - F. Spirit wear ideas for the spring - Amy and Sarah did it last season, using JBM Technology. We would like to have someone

do it again like that - the order sheet had pictures and prices.  
Scott VanderSloot will ask Liz to do this.

#### V. Long Range Goals

- A. Soccer backstop netting - Status. Got 2 quotes. Severance is the best one. Chris is getting the net that we have from baseball. Margie is following up on this project.
- B. Crow's Nest - Garnet and Al. Chris Riker had emailed us that he needs to update Bob Small and get approval first.
- C. Future wish list: Windscreen extension, Sign updates, Dug-outs

#### VI. Fundraising

- A. Basketball Concession: Soccer has duty on Tues 2-24 (boys vs Matt) Thanks to Don for organizing this!
  - a. Shifts: 4-5:30, 5:30-7:30 and 7:30-cleanup
- B. Banner Sales - 3 renewals not received yet from the fall renewals. Reminder letters were sent out early Feb to Yogis, Envirologic and Kalleward. Need parent volunteer for organizing new banners. Margie handles renewals.
- C. Program, Car Wash and other fundraising ideas? Boosters decided to keep the car wash. Andy would like to continue the program and Andy will handle, but need parent to handle \$ and slips. Scott VanderSloot volunteered to do it. Another idea was to keep spirit wear a fundraiser. With the new vendor used last season, costs were lower and quality was higher, but we kept the price the same and we made money.
- D. Carrabbas April 25 - Margie reported that Brian Marsters, manager has been limited by corporate for our cost \$10, while in the past PN has generously received all of the money. Should we still do it? Boosters decided to continue and charge \$15, so that we make \$5 per person. We had 100 tickets sold last year, so that would still provide profit and Carrabbas has been very good to us!

#### VII. Activities

- A. Concession Stand needs - Betty and Sharon have agreed to do concession again. Yeh! They hope to train another parent for next year. They don't anticipate any needs at this time. Betty was encouraged to turn in some bills.
- B. Club logo for PN & Tent with 'Huskies' on it - voted on a logo provided by Garnet which you see at the top of this document.
- C. Web Site - Al Nemeth / Norm Jansen - Norm is working on women's pages and Al will do men's. Al has lots of great PN soccer history and they are working on getting it on the site.

- D. Field Maintenance - seed next June? Andy felt that it is probably not going to happen due to the maintenance priority list with all of the construction. Andy will continue talking to Chris.

#### VIII. New Business

- A. Season planning issues - want to meet beginning of March. Will get info from Marian. We would like to do what Marian did last season and have someone go to practice to hand out info to be completed prior to parent meeting.
- B. Field Clean-up Day - goal post padding installation, windscreen, game nets and banners - Th Mar 19<sup>th</sup>. Varsity girls will help.
- C. Youth Night - Wed April 22 vs KCentral. Need a parent organizer. Mr. Rikers daughter's team has volunteered. We need a couple more teams. Andy will put in Gazette.
- D. Sr night date options- Gull Lake Th May 7th
- E. Banquet date options - Week right after school is out June 16<sup>th</sup> - reserve date asap - Fetzer 6:00. Pete Strazdas will reserve this for us.
- F. Board Openings - after this season Pres and Treas. Positions are open. Scott VanderSloot expressed interest in being treasurer

#### IX. Adjournment & Next Meeting: Mar 16, April 16, May 14, June 18

#### Action List:

Norm Jansen: will put the updated calendar on Web site

Scott VanderSloot: will ask Liz to do spirit wear

Margie : netting project management

Garnet & Al: the video tower project management

?: 'Huskies' tent printed with new logo - need someone to do this.

Don: organize the parent workers for concession duty (and organize the season volunteer needs)

Betty: has some bills still to turn in.

Pete Strazdas: June 16<sup>th</sup> banquet date- reserve date asap - Fetzer 6:00.

#### Dates:

Mar 19 - field clean-up day

April 22 - Youth night

May 7 - Sr night

June 16 - Banquet