



# Portage Northern Soccer Boosters Draft Minutes Sept 14, 2009 7PM

- I. Aug 18, 2009 Minutes - Margie Stinson. Approved.
- II. Financial Report - Scott Vandersloot. Approved.
- III. Coaches' Comments - Andy Fuehr
  - A. Purchases - Net Clips. Put old game nets on with clips. Cost \$80. Approved to pay for these.
  - B. Program fundraiser update. Amt earned was reported. Will be in concession by next Tues. Will set aside one for each player for the banquet.
  - C. Player Evaluation Process - evaluations are done at the end of the year except for the Srs. Andy's emphasis is for players to know what to work on in the off season. Andy would like to have more player input. Will also use for try-outs the next year to see what steps the player has taken to improve. Andy can't do anything soccer related during the school year. He can only do running and weight lifting. Encourages indoor soccer.
  - D. Assistant Coach Stipend - Propose amount for Justin gross in fees, and Ryan Johnson (volunteer and student teacher, first year to help with soccer) would like to give a gift card stipend to pay for gas at banquet.
  - E. Videographer / TV update - Scott Parde has videod 1<sup>st</sup> 4 varsity games, and Andy will have some JV games done too. They are using VanderSloots video camera. Andy donated the TV for them to watch in the team room. Andy mentioned that Tom Weissert would like to get wireless in the booth and stream the video on the web in the future.
  - F. Shin guard discussion on what is legal, they need to have a seal, and size requirements differ depending on how tall you are.
- IV. Athletic Director Comments - Chris Riker not in attendance. Andy reported that Chris has mentioned that there have been no fan issues and he's excited about the field staying and all of the new fields at PN. He also mentioned that we need ticket takers there right at 4:30. There was some discussion about use of buses for local games. Andy reported that it is his decision and he looks to help athletic dept expenses by using parent drivers to the local games.
- V. Fundraising
  - A. Donation seeking from local soccer clubs for net \$. Garnet was working on this and had pulled in someone from PC. Soccer Zone was somewhat interested. No response from Kingdom. We will

not pursue this any longer since we do now have new nets anyways and there were some issues with putting wording on the nets that the club wanted.

- B. Harding's card code: 500015384, Meijer rewards code:530394
- C. igive.com - Tom Melgar explained that he uses this to earn lots of money for a charity he works with. He said it's no work - you just sign up and buy online through this. Tom will set it up for the boosters.
- D. Ray Jasitis - would like us to look more into matching gifts.
- E. Men's Season - "can coozie" sale. Waiting for 500 coozies that we have ordered.
- F. Pop can collection - Oct 3. Amy will organize. 10:00. Others mentioned that it would be great to have the can cozies to sell for this too!
- G. Banner program renewals went out - We've made 800-900 per year on the banner program.

#### VI. Long Range Plans

- A. Signs:
  - i. Milham road sign - sideline
  - ii. Complex sidewalk entrance wooden sign. Scott will look into the price from Sign Art. Amy will look into a sign from Landscape Forms.

#### VII. Activities

- A. Web Site - Al Nemeth / Norm Jansen - not in attendance. Andy reported that everything is up except the team photos. Not sure why they aren't up on the website yet. There are no game summaries on the web, only small summaries that Andy does for the school announcements. A parent is welcome to step up and do this.
- B. Concession Stand - Not a lot of income, due to no high volume home games. Not much coming either since Caledonia was awarded districts and PC has regionals. Andy thinks we need to win out our league games to get the SMAC home games. (Note: Point system is same for crossover games now as for regular season games).
- C. Field Maintenance -
  - i. Need PPS to remove brush behind dugouts. Post meeting note: Chris Riker has been notified and has requested this, will request again.
  - ii. Sprinkler still spraying on team bench and booth? Al had mentioned that he will check into it to see if it was properly realigned.
- D. Painting needed - trash cans - done - thanks Marian

## VIII. New Business

- A. Bathroom/concession Payoff Celebration - Sept 22 - 6:30 between JV and Varsity.
  - B. Status from Margie - Write up tasks for each job - still need concession, Sr night, away game meals, spirit wear. Thanks to everyone who has helped to get these in and are working on others!
  - C. JV Shorts - Marian wanted it on the radar that the JV shorts are in bad shape. 2007 the girls shorts were really bad so we bought some. There is a 4 year uniform cycle which is in the same year for guys and girls. 2011 is next new ones. Old Varsity goes to JV. They are about \$60 per set, and in the past Chris has agreed to go half on new uniforms with the boosters. Andy has done Nike, but would be willing to go to Adidas or other if shorts are better. Still have lots of old uniforms for the retro sale.
  - D. Youth night - tomorrow. Don't need additional food, we should be set.
  - E. Co-president nomination and vote - Jeff Clark nominated and approved.
  - F. Secretary- be thinking of who could be the new secretary when Margie retires in June. It would be good to have a couple months to work together.
  - G. Banquet - In the past we have paid for player meals for the banquet. Motion to approve banquet meals for 2009/2010 men's and women's season. Approved.
- IX. Adjourn & Next Meetings: Adjourn 8:37 Next meetings: change Oct mtg to Mon 19<sup>th</sup> and keep Tues Nov 10

### Action Items:

- Tom Melgar - igive.com fundraising option - will set it up for the boosters.
- Rai Jaisitis - will look more into matching gifts.
- Amy Gray -Pop can collection - Oct 3. Amy will organize. 10:00.
- Scott VanderSloot and Amy Gray - Scott will look into the price for entrance sidewalk sign from Sign Art. Amy will look into a sign from Landscape Forms.
- Al Nemeth - continue with Sept 22 payoff celebration plans and check if the sprinkler is spraying properly now.