



# Portage Northern Soccer Boosters

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## Minutes Feb 9, 2010 7 PM

- I. Nov 10, 2009 Minutes - Margie Stinson - approved
- II. Financial Report - Scott Vandersloot - approved
- III. Coaches' Comments - Andy Fuehr Girl's season:
  - A. Girls Calendar handout
    - a. We will use SZ M-F Mar 15-19 5:00-6:30
    - b. March 18<sup>th</sup> teams announced
    - c. March 20<sup>th</sup> Varsity at EKEntwood playing at 9 vs Caledonia, 11 vs Elansing, 1 vs Holland
    - d. Scrimmage @ KChristian Mar 24<sup>th</sup> V at 4, JV at 5:30
    - e. April 17<sup>th</sup>, Portage 3 for 1
    - f. April 19<sup>th</sup> Youth night -want to make sure to get little girls teams to scrimmage
    - g. Sr night May 21<sup>st</sup> vs EGRapids
    - h. Will send schedule to Norm to put on website
    - i. Still working on buses with Chris. Weekends parents will be driving. At this point, we have buses 1 way Gull L, BCLView, FHCentral, Mattawan
  - B. Concession job - Andy was notified that Tom Huss has graciously volunteered for this job
  - C. Banquet Date - June 21<sup>st</sup>
  - D. 2010 PNHS Hall of Fame members ceremony - 26<sup>th</sup> of Feb. Inducted will be Dieter Valk, one of the first coaches, and Jacob Peterson. Andy also wants to recognize them in the fall.
  - E. Winter work-out updates. 18-20 girls, fewer guys. Playing Mon and Fri at SZ, yoga on Wed.
- IV. Athletic Director Comments -Scott reported that Chris Riker indicated to him that we would probably have 'pay to play' of \$200 per child for school year starting fall 2010.
- V. Fundraising
  - A. Harding's card code: 500015384, Meijer rewards code:530394
  - B. Banner program renewals - we still have some renewals coming in. Thanks to Kalleward and MC which have come in since our last meeting. There are two more possible renewals that Margie will send a followup note for.
  - C. Igive.com - We get a very good return on this program - sometimes 8% for buying things through Igive and it doesn't

cost anything, but a little time to sign up for it. Tom Melgar gave info to Norm and he will put in website

D. Carrabbas - Margie working on getting a date. David Mayfield is the new proprietor and he will work with us on this.

E. New fundraising thoughts:

a. There was discussion about a Cold Stone-smoothie machine at a game fundraiser where we split the proceeds with them, and another possibility of ice cream sales.

Sprig will look into this. We would need a warm date with lots of fans for the smoothie machine, possibly PN/PC games or the Portage Invitational for the guys in the fall.

b. Another possibility Jeff brought up was Coffee on black Friday sales. He will pursue with Best Buy and Kohl's area.

#### VI. Long Range Plans

A. Complex sidewalk entrance wooden sign - Deb Walker will look into this. We discussed painting the sign white and getting a cost from A1 for our new huskie sticker to go on plexiglass as our new sign.

B. Milham Rd Sign update - tabled for 1 year. Jeff and Deb have looked into this from Sign Art. It was reported that Chris Riker (AD) doesn't see this as a priority at this time and not a good project for the school to split with the boosters. PN sometimes splits projects with boosters using Portage Athletic Foundation gift monies. Al will look into his notes to see the date that the sign originally went up and how it was funded.

C. Score board sign update - on hold.

D. Al ideas for upgrades to complex - on hold.

#### VII. Activities

A. Web Site - pnhssoccer.org - Al Nemeth / Norm Jansen - added/adding volunteer task write-ups on website

B. Concession Stand - Tom Huss will meet with Betty. Needs to pursue the Meijers start up gift card given in past seasons.

#### VIII. Old Business

A. Rain Capes - want 15. Jeff found one with a solid color with one color silk screen on the front. It was approved to spend \$ on 10 large and 5 medium. Jeff will order.

B. Huskie logo banner for away games - Sprig has found these. He will bring some actual figures to the next meeting. Andy does not want to be in charge of putting these up and transporting these.

C. Warm-ups embroider numbers to keep track of them - Deb's friend has agreed to do this. Deb will let her know that we need sequential numbering on each warm up on shoulder and pant. She

will get a price for us. The number is just to keep track of the sweats, not the player's actual number.

- D. Andy order guys white shorts at end of girls season - both girls and guys will need new uniforms after the 2011 spring season, so Andy would like to see if we can wait until that time to order anything new.

IX. New Business

- A. New volunteers needed this season to learn and then take over for Secretary, fundraising help with Carrabbas, banners and Website
- B. Exec boosters and anyone helping with girls' team organization will meet Mar 4<sup>th</sup> 7 PM at Carrabbas as a working meeting to put packets together. Need team parent by then. Discussed possible persons to hope for, target or victimize.
- C. Andy will put out an email calling for a new webmaster, secretary.

- X. Adjournment & Next Meeting: Mon March 22 at PN media center (6:30 girls' mtg for all parents and only new girls, followed by booster mtg), Mon April 12, 7PM and Mon June 7, 7PM.

To Do list:

Margie: Get a Carrabbas date

Banner program renewals -2 more possible renewals that Margie will follow-up on

Norm: website pnhsoccer.

Put schedule up on website. Thanks for doing this for workouts already!

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Sprig: Cold Stone-smoothie machine at a game fundraiser where we split the proceeds with them, and another possibility of ice cream sales.

Jeff: Look into Coffee on black Friday sales fundraiser.

Deb: Look into getting the complex sidewalk entrance wooden sign updated

Al: look into his notes to see the date that the sign originally went up and how it was funded. (Al is so good that he already sent the answer - August 1997 with field lights and bleachers)