

Booster Club Minutes August 15, 2016

Members Present: Ann Commers, Shawna Jones, Kevin Huepenbecker, Anne Levin
Attending: Theresa Neal, Jonah Fields, Nate Galloway

Minutes:

- 5/16/2016 minutes distributed.

Athletic Director's Report -- Concession Stands:

- Nate Galloway, AD presented a Fall schedule of 6 football (at Central) and 8 volleyball games (at Como) with opportunities for concessions and the plan for revenue sharing so that all participating have opportunity to share.
 - The initial funds for the concessions come from Athletic Dept. account. Of funds raised in concessions, the money will go into the school's account – 50% for Athletic Dept to cover costs of food & supplies for concessions and the other 50% will be split at the end of the Fall terms among the Teams and Booster Club working at the concessions stands, based on how many games they worked out of the 14 total.
 - There won't be dual concessions for games – only the Team or Booster Club signed up to work at the stand will be able to do concessions.
 - AD will contact coaches to see what games they are interested in taking, then contact Booster Club after that.
 - It is possible that section games could be added in once they know what those are. Central would have 1st priority for section games, Como would have 2nd priority depending on seeding.

Principal's Report:

- Opening week for staff is Aug. 29th. It would be nice to hold an early morning breakfast for staff that morning 7:30-8:00 am – like that held last year for staff development. A chance for the Booster Club to be introduced to the staff and to new staff members.
 - Ann C. will check in with some of the people who put together last year's breakfast.
- Banner Project – 11 banners for light posts outside of school. Paul Seeba is moving forward with ordering so the banners will be up in time for the start of the school year. The Como Park Senior High Facebook site has a picture of the banner, info and a link for making online donations.
- Kleenex donations – this was an area cut from the school's budget, so they are holding a Kleenex drive requesting families each donate one box. Info is on the main page of the Como Park High School website.
- FeePay – The District has designated Como as one of 3 sites to pilot FeePay which will be made available for everything from athletic fees, nutrition services, field trips... They will start with athletics and then broaden the scope. It is expected to be up and available in the early part of September.

- Dates for the beginning of the year:
 - Counselors are in on Wednesday, then full time starting Monday.
 - Schedules will be coming out the week of 8/22.
 - Thurs. 9/1 from 8 am -12 pm is Freshman Orientation.
 - Thurs. 9/1 evening is the 9th grade Freshman/Families Open House.
 - Booster Club should have a table.
 - Sept. 27 is the All School Open House.
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 - The first Parent and Community Council meeting is Tues. 9/20. It will be: What do Parents Want to Know? – in the form of Q&A with the Principal. There will also be a coffee with the Principal that morning to offer another time to meet and talk.
- They are starting to update the calendar on the Como website.
 - If the Booster Club has dates to add, just give them to Laurie.
 - We can also post them on the Booster Club page on the Como website.
 - The Booster Club will likely stay with the 3rd Monday meetings at 6:30 with next meeting on Sept. 19th.
- Homecoming – they don't know who will be the staff coordinator for that yet – should be soon.
- School Design – Construction is planned to start in the Spring with mechanicals and plumbing
- The Athletic fields grant has been submitted – it is possible they will hear in September.

Presentation from Jonah Fields:

- Upcoming soccer dates and opportunities for Booster Club involvement.
 - Fri. Sept. 16 - Mayor's Cup game (Como/Humboldt) – Girls 3:15, Boys 5:00, Mayor arrives & passes out trophies ~6:15/6:30.
 - Booster Club could set up Easy Up and have table for BC info, Spirit Wear concessions; help welcome Mayor.
 - Sat. Sept. 17 – Community Soccer Day at NW Como (Chelsea Heights). Como soccer helps with youth soccer 4-8 yr. olds.
 - Booster Club could have a table for Spirit Wear and info/handouts for people interested in Como
 - Tues. Sept. 20th – Como soccer has home game vs. Washington
 - Kids and families from NW Como youth soccer day are invited for game and free hot dogs.
 - They'll recruit team parents to help.
 - Another opportunity for Booster Club.
 - Other big games for soccer are double headers at Como: Sept. 7th (Central), Sept. 28th, Fri. Sept. 30th (Highland)
 - The new MLS soccer stadium is in Area E – and Como is the Area E High School – it is good to remind people of that connection.

Booster Club:

- Concessions:
 - Football games at Central take 6-8 volunteers (6 inside, 1-2 outside). Volleyball concessions at Como are 2 people (2 adults or 1 adult, 1 kid).
 - Dates of interest for BC (but will have to see what is open from AD):
 - Football -- Fri. 9/23 football game; *for Sat. 10/8 Homecoming propose to do Booster Club Spirit Wear table only for game (1-2 BC volunteers) – difficult to do big food concessions as BC will be wrapping at Como HS after morning and lunch Homecoming activities.
 - Volleyball – consider Mon. 9/12, Wed. 10/5, Wed. 10/19
 - Look at last year's budget and consider how AD's new concessions plan might change amount Booster Club can raise for its grants this year.
- Homecoming:
 - Homecoming is Sat. Oct. 8th, 2016.
 - Booster Club should consider investing in a black Easy Up.
 - There is a 9 page Homecoming Planning document from 2015 in DropBox.
 - Create a Homecoming Volunteer sign up using VolunteerSpot
 - For Homecoming – could Booster Club have an adult gathering Sat. night? Possible locations: Underground Music Café, Golf Course Restaurant, Como Dockside, Lawn Bowling, Bdale Club (Roseville). Would anyone with a band be available?
 - Brainstorming looking ahead to next year (2017/18)
 - Could we do a Bonfire/Pep Rally Friday at Como before the game? Could introduce the players, seniors.
 - Could also hold a 5k – Fri. eve or Sat. am
 - Homecoming Planning meeting – Tues. Aug. 23, 6:30 pm at Half Time Rec
 - Develop ½ sheet flyer for Homecoming
 - Review 2015 planning document and update for 2016
 - Plan volunteer needs for Sat. Oct. 8th parade and lunch at Como and possible Spirit Wear stand at the Homecoming game at Central
 - Where/when/how to publicize
- Next Booster Club Meeting: Monday, Sept. 19 at 6:30 in AD office.