

Eden Prairie High School boosters

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September 1, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Mary Bloomquist, Donna Brand, Jackie Faber, Connie Foyt, Mike Grant, Anne Guttman, Joe Guttman, Deb Kampe, Bob Kline, Les Kranzler, Jan Kruchoski, Lisa Lieberman, Denise Manuel, Renee Shimley, Kristi Ties, Anne Yonamine.

Call to Order: President Mary Bloomquist called the meeting to order at 9:38am. August minutes were reviewed with no changes. Motion to approve August minutes- Jan Kruchoski, and Deb Kampe seconded it

President Report: Mary Bloomquist welcomed new members and asked that we all do introductions. She also thanked Kristi Ties for taking on the role of co-treasurer. She explained Kristi's role in working closely with Donna Brand as our other co-treasurer. Kristi will be taking all monies from football games and bringing it to the safe room at the high school. Kristi will also be a member of the counting committee.

Mary asked about the interest level in having a winter fundraiser. Timber Lodge Steakhouse is willing to donate for this fundraiser. We decided to push this to our October meeting.

Activities Office/Eagle Fest: Mike Grant was really happy with Eagle Fest. He said, that Connie W., did a tremendous job and it was very well organized! We only had one tray of hot dogs left over! Clean up was fast and they were out 45 minutes later. Mike also thanked the boosters once again for the monies given towards the turf fields. He said the fields have already paid off and it has been a huge investment for our athletic teams. We had perfect summer weather to put these fields in. He spoke of all the hard work put into the fields by the construction team and how we will benefit by no watering of fields, no mowing, etc. He indicated the band members will now be able to practice on the field and the youth football teams will be able to play a few games on one of the fields. It is cost efficient and other school districts have already put a plan in place to do the same. The demand for these fields will begin to go way up. We had 900 students register for fall sports. Intramurals will begin registration shortly after school begins. Long-term goals are upgrading the softball fields at Miller. Next summer the high school outdoor track will be resurfaced. The facilities for all sports are top notch! Denise Manuel is willing to co-chair Eagle Fest next year.

Concessions: In Joes absence Mary said the concessions went smoothly on the opening football game Thursday/August 30th. 50 of the 60 pizzas from Chanticlear were sold at full price! Great Pizza! Cookies went 4/\$1.00. We almost ran out of beverages. We discussed putting in a hot chocolate/ Latte machine. It was very favorable to do this.

SCRIPS: SCRIPS is a fundraiser kickback for the boosters. Jan Kruchoski and Deb Kampe have been working hard to get this program off the ground. The program will have 3 mailings throughout the school year to all families at the high school. It is a program that you can purchase gift cards and then a certain percentage will be given back to the boosters. The mailing dates are (10/15, 11/8 and in the spring). Jackie Faber will do publicity in Eagle Nest, and on website. A suggestion was made that maybe call it something other than SCRIPS. The new name suggested was "Booster Gift Card" Program. Jan will check with company and make sure we can do this.

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Corporate Sponsor: Crossed the \$50,000 threshold. Suggestion was made to move platinum sponsors to front of programs. We have a ton of new sponsors. Mention was made that if any of us see something incorrect with program or some sponsor was missed please let us know immediately as it can be changed right away.

Activity passes: over \$28,000 reported through August 30th. We will sell passes at next 3 games. Also Ann Yonamine and the spirit store has passes if a student or parent needs them.

Treasurer: Donna Brand reviewed the budget. She indicated that this year would have to be a trial year for Scrips as we don't have any history yet for this program. She also said that there is \$74,000 in available funds, but not all expenses are in yet. A motion was made to approve the budget with Scrip changes. Jan approved/ Deb seconded it. We also discussed that rather than each committee holding on to monies that pouches are given to each committee and they can take funds up to the high school to the safe room. Ann Yonamine is happy to direct us as to where the funds must go. We just need to call her and let her know when we are planning to stop in. Ann's hours are 7:30-4/ her phone# 975-8106. In addition, we need to inform Donna Brand or Kristie Ties, that monies need to be counted and deposited.

Event Manager: Student Council did a great job at the football game. Groups receive \$500 if they work concessions. We only have four home football games and of course, playoffs too!

Publicity: Jackie Faber indicated that there was a little problem with EP News in August. Someone was on maternity leave and no one was picking up her emails. We were unable to get the Eagle fest/ Activity pass information in the EP News. We were able to get information in to the Eagle Nest bulletin.

Spirit Store: In Cindi Smith's absence, Mary said that we are in need of volunteers at the Spirit Store over the lunch hour (Wednesdays, 11-1 and Fridays 11:30-2:30). Suggestion was made to change the Friday hours in the spring, not as busy. Also suggestion was made to have a separate date for letter jacket sales.

Next Meeting: October 6, 2007, 9:30am/ Activities Classroom- Treats Anne Guttman

Call to Adjourn: Jackie Faber motioned, seconded Deb Kampe. Adjourned 11:25am

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Foyt/ Secretary