

**West High Athletic Booster Club  
General Membership Meeting Minutes  
Sept 14, 2009**

**Recognition of Athletes of Month- by Lynn Rousselow**

**August**

Boys Cross Country	Chris Smith
Girls Cross Country	Morgan Gerdes
Football	Jordan Boyenga
Girls Swimming	Allison Schell
Cheerleading	Janae Holmes
Volleyball	Abby Coselman
Boys Golf	John Butler
Dance Team	Amanda Horan

**Coaches' Reports**

Matt MacKenzie reported the boys cross country team is off to a good start with 28 runners, more eligible and running than last year. He reviewed the successes of the recent meets. Oct 1 is the West hosted Metro Meet at Bontrager.

Ralph Longus reported the girl's cross country team only has 9 girls but they are ahead of last year with good talent. He reviewed the recent meet results. Oct 1 is the West hosted Metro Meet at Bontrager at 4:30.

Virgil Haley was at a diving meet so Alison Schell reported that West is looking good for state based on current rankings and Alison reported on recent results.

**Athletic Director's Report**

Jeff Frost reported on the amount of enthusiasm he's noticed amongst the athletes, coaches, and supporters. We're off to a good start and everyone's pumped up.

**News:**

A) Jeff reported the new Head Girls Soccer Coach is Brittney Lund. She's a teacher at West and played soccer for University of Dubuque. They are searching for an assistant coach.

B) Jeff gave an update on the process of hiring the Boys Head Basketball Coach. He expects the process to be finished by the end of September.

C) Jeff handed out the Annual Report for the 2008-09 Season, it's also on the Athletics website

D) At the October 2 football game against Cedar Falls there will be a Blanket/Pillow drive for the homeless. Buster and Kate Worthington are working with CF parents to coordinate the effort.

**Old Business:**

A) The Booster Club Golf Outing was very successful.

B) The Foundation Auction was very successful also. It takes a lot of time but is well worth it!

C) The Athletic Bricks taken out for construction at West will be relocated to the athletics entryway outside Siddens Gymnasium.

D) The State Booster Club Meeting is in Des Moines in November on a Saturday morning. It's a good opportunity to get ideas for fundraising.

**Upcoming Events We Host:**

A) Eileen Beninga Volleyball Classic Saturday, Sept 19.

B) Metro Cross Country Meet Thur Oct 1 at Bontrager which includes the 4 middle schools. This is the first year the middle schools have a paid cross country coach.

Merchandise: Jennifer Matlock had submitted a written report detailing sales at this point. They have been going well. They are at about the break even point so sales after this will mostly be profit. They continue to look for volunteers to sell at different events, targeting the Parent Reps to have the teams/parents work an event and also contacting Partners in Education to assist in selling.

Parent Reps: Parent Reps are the liaisons between the coach/team and the parents. Robin Payne reported that an informative email went out to parent reps. They are also redoing the Parent Rep booklet.

Spirit and Hospitality: Kelly Hansen reported the October 2<sup>nd</sup> game would be a "black out", with consideration of changing it to a "pink out". The Winter Sports Kickoff will be November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. They hope the band will perform.

Wahawk Pride: Cindi Sand is working to finalize the Returning Letterman poster. This is a poster of seniors who have lettered any of their 4 years at West.

Ways and Means: Dan Lynch reported that since inception there have been 456 bricks sold. In 08-09 there were 7 sold, this year 5 so far. The suggestion was made to promote these with the new plan to pave the entryway to the athletic entrance.

Golf Outing: The golf outing was very successful. A suggestion was made to have a similar one just for women.

Figurines: Cathie Ubbelohde submitted a written report. Painting began tonight. There are 54 senior athletes for the fall season.

Website: Larry Martin gives information to Rick Smith for posting. Bylaws are on the website, finance information and minutes will be submitted.

Programs: A program chair is needed for next year.

### **Old Business -**

a. Concession payment policy - \$600 to the group manning the concessions. Profits go 40% to East, 40% to West, 20% middle schools. Jeff noted he'd received a \$6600 check that had gone to the teams.

### **New Business -**

- a. Brick Plaza – announced tonight that bricks taken out during construction will be installed again in a different location, at the front athletic entrance leading into Siddens Gymnasium.
- b. A motion was made to approve a Booster Club 2 page ad in the yearbook. Motion passed.
- c. Suggestion to discuss the football feeder program at the next meeting.
- d. A suggestion made to discuss at the next meeting possibly using some kind of formula to determine how many Athletes of the Month there would be for each sport...the purpose being to allow for more of them for the sports with more participants.

**Meeting adjourned 9:05**

**Next General Membership Meeting Monday, October 12, 2009**