

**West High Athletic Booster Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2009**

Recognition of Athletes of Month- by Lynn Rouselow

October

Boys Cross Country	Brandon Walker
Girls Cross Country	Ashley Ubbelohde
Football	DeQuandis Humphrey
Girls Swimming	Kristine Day
Cheerleading	Destiny Homeister
Volleyball	Liz Frank
Boys Golf	Peter Christensen
Dance Team	Jessica Horan

Coaches' Reports

Kelly Nelson reported that Softball off season workouts started Thursday in the hitting facility and a UNI coach is coming to assist. **Lonnie Moore** reported this year a good foundation had been laid for years to come for Football. Also the team was 6 points from being 5-4, noting a goal was for the team to learn to finish the game. Expectations have been set for next year. **Matt MacKenzie** reported a goal was to have fun which they did. They had 28 guys and 1 individual qualified for State. He noted that the 8th graders were 2nd in State so Matt is looking forward to having some of them next year. **Mike Penning** reported that Boys Soccer has started their conditioning for the winter and that the team will be younger than in the past. **Ralph Longus** reported he had recruited heavily but only had 9 girls in cross country and too many injuries. It is critical to increase these numbers. **Justin Little** was excited to start the season in one week. He'd had a parent meeting but only 5 parents for the 64 kids attended. He has the team doing a Saturday Service Project, working with the Jaycees and Waterloo banks to help the flood victims. He sees this and having the team do other things together outside of basketball as very important for teambuilding. He noted that Treyvon Wright was signing a Letter of Intent for North Dakota State this week. **Larry Daniels** reported the golf team had won the Metro, got 3rd in the Supermeet and won Districts, with 3 golfers in the top 6. At State they placed 7th. **Dr Pappas** reported that Girls Basketball started and noted his excellent staff with lots of experience.

Athletic Director's Report

In Jeff's Absence Wayne reviewed Jeff's written report.

News:

- A) Congratulations to Coach Matt MacKenzie and State Qualifier Austin King!
- B) Congratulations to Coach Virgil Haley and the largest Wahawk Girl's Swimming contingent at the State Meet in over 20 years!
- C) Congratulations to Coach Morgan Havlicek and the Dance Team where 5 girls received Division ratings at State Solos. The 5 were Tyra Bell, Haley Burch, Amanda Horan, Allie Holton, and Priscilla Kayser
- D) Congratulations to the Cheer Competition Team on their 8th place finish out of 14 at the State Cheer Competition this past Saturday.
- E) The Athletic Dept is in the process of Wahawk Renaissance 2010. The coaches survey is complete. Athletes and stakeholders (parents and boosters) will be taking surveys beginning in mid

to late November. This is part of the Athletic Department's new Strategic Plan that we plan to implement beginning in January of 2010 with a renewed focus on our needs, and a focus on success in the classroom, sportsmanship, and of course success and winning at the MVC and State levels.

Old Business:

A) The Athletic Bricks will be laid in the spring.

B) The State Booster Club Meeting is in Des Moines in November

Upcoming Events We Host:

A) Winter Sports kickoff – November 17 at 7:00 in Siddens Gymnasium

B) Girl's Thanksgiving Basketball Tournament-Nov 27, 28, West plays at 6:30.

Officers' Reports

Secretary's Report – Linda Gruetzmacher had previously emailed the October 12 minutes to the membership for review. Motion made to accept minutes, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Bruce Meisinger handed out the October Balance Sheet and Income Statement. The Balance Sheet showed an Ending Balance of \$26,360 in the Main Account and \$11,157 in the Long Range Account. Motions were made and the statements approved as submitted. Bruce reported that the money from the Sturgis Falls Festival Fundraiser should be in the individual teams' accounts. He also noted the expense in the Team Merchandise of \$1557 will be moved to the Volleyball Team account.

Vice President's Report – No Report

President's Report – Wayne Worthington reported that at the end of the meeting everyone will break into 3 groups to discuss the 3 goals: increase fundraising, increase membership, and increase number of athletes. See attached.

Committee Chair Reports

Membership: They will be selling at the Winter Sports Kickoff. They are close to last years amount. It was emphasized again that the membership dollars go directly to West Athletics whereas the \$ paid at the gate go to the District and get distributed.

Parent Reps: Lisa McClain reported they'd finished the draft for the new handbook and it was being reviewed before printing. They are preparing for meetings with the winter sport parent reps.

Spirit and Hospitality: Kelly Hansen reported the Winter Sports Kickoff is the 17th and the band will be there. She emphasized the coaches have been told to introduce all players. It was asked and confirmed that it's okay to have the players introduce themselves.

Figurines: It was noted they make sure each senior gets a figurine.

Website: Larry Martin will put agenda, minutes, budget, and the Athletic Director's report on the website.

Programs: It was noted that the Booster Club needs to take over the Programs from Athletics. It will take 2 co-chairs and about 4 others to get the job done.

Merchandise: It was noted that merchandise was sold at Central and should be sold at Hoover conferences.

Old Business -

a. Brick Plaza – no discussion needed, plans have been confirmed.

New Business -

a. The plan to vote for the funding distribution amount to give to Athletics was tabled. Instead Wayne will email the amount within a couple days to the Funding Distribution Committee for an email vote.

b. Wayne and Glynis Worthington have offered to represent the Booster Club at the Iowa Booster Club Clinic in Des Moines, others are welcome. A motion was made and approved to pay the \$120 fee for the two to attend the meeting.

Next General Membership Meeting Monday, December 14, 7:00