

**Andover Baseball Booster Club
August 3rd, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes**

Members present;

Erin Kunzman, Stacy Nelson, John Stong, Kraig Garmaker, Don Gawreluk, Tim O'Donnell, Pat Quinn, Steve Johnson, Mike and Judy Krostedt, Angie Thiel, Barb Ritchey, Todd Miller, Tom and Tammy Finnes, Jeff Satzinger, Scott Kunzman, Brad and Angie Ross, John Keller, Andrea Gausman and Arlo Evans.

- 6:30 PM. **Call to order**, Erin Kunzman.
6:31 PM Introductions.
6:37 PM President Erin Kunzman emphasized the mission statement, and especially the portion relating to helping the program and having fun!
6:38 PM **Secretary Report.** July minutes accepted as is. Scott Kunzman motioned and Jeff Satzinger seconded. All Ayes', no Nay's.
6:43 PM **Treasurer's report.** \$16,878.11 balance in our account. Several outstanding bills need payment, including Metrodome rental, District bill from tournaments and \$9,508.60 salt sale bill. Report motioned and seconded. All Ayes', no Nay's.
6:52 PM **ABA Report.** Steve Johnson reports uniform pick-up dates in the near future. Check ABA website for exact dates. Same with equipment return for coaches.
6:55 PM **Committee Reports:**

Field Maintenance; Jeff Satzinger (chair) reports that the fields look good. There is a minimal amount of fall prep work to carry into the winter. Don Gawreluk reports that there may be a chance for some matching grant money from the Twin's that could be applied to field improvements. If said money is collected, a LOT of work will need to be done at the fields. Stay tuned for volunteer opportunities! Also discussed was the lack of control over J.V. and freshman field use. A method of accountability needs to be developed in order to maintain the fields properly. (Limit access)

Banquet / Food; Erin Kunzman detailed how this committee needs a chair or co-chairs. The main responsibilities include player pack procurement and distribution, picnic planning and execution, banquet planning and execution. If a person or group of people would like to know more about this opportunity, please see Erin Kunzman or attend the next booster meeting.

Scoreboard; John Keller (chair) reported that financial support is needed to begin moving forward with his committee. He witnessed a wonderful ball park in South Dakota this summer that displayed the type of scoreboard that his committee envisions at our park. Much more work is needed here in terms of financing and researching options.

Fundraising: John Stong explained current fundraisers. The outcome of the current salt sale was discussed. A spreadsheet of individual sales was distributed. 43 players participated in the sale (57%) selling an average of 47 bags each. The high sales person sold 210 bags and the low salesperson sold 4 bags. Coach Don Gawreluk reviewed the annual budget (cost side only) and stated a need for \$10-11,000.00 annually with an additional \$5,000.00 in consumable spending. In order to sustain and grow the program, a consistent revenue stream must be generated and maintained. There was much discussion relating to this need, and points included the following;

- **Implement a volunteer fee for fundraising opportunities.** This fee would be refundable after accomplishing one the following fundraising efforts.

1. **Sell 150 bags of salt during the Spring and Summer sales events.**
2. **Sell ONE advertising sign at the High School field.**
3. **Get a matching grant from your employer for volunteer hours.**

- The fee amount discussed was \$200.00, \$250.00 and \$500.00. The amount was not settled on. It will **not** be the goal of the Booster club to collect money from our players or families. It is the goal to get participation in the Booster club from our players and families. This item was left open.
- Pat Quinn spoke to the volunteer of time and talents aspect instead of money raising. Chairing a committee or volunteering time delivering salt should count for something towards this volunteer fee. This subject is valid, and has merit. However, financial support is not generated. Discussed were ‘expectations’ of Booster Club members and players. This item was left open.
- Discussed were ‘family caps’ for multi player families. Should there be a cap for these families? This item was left open.
- **Players and Families still have an opportunity to sell salt and reduce the amount of sales needed in the Spring sale to eliminate the potential volunteer fee!! Anoka Grain and Feed is offering a reduced cost of salt to the Booster Club throughout the month of August. If you or your player sells salt during this period, you will contact John Stong @ 612-940-6930 or Kraig Garmaker @ 763-355-7445 to get a salt voucher for salt pick-up at Anoka Grain and Feed (AGF). Kraig or John will issue a voucher for the quantity of salt sold, after money and sales form is turned in. This will allow you to pick up and deliver the salt that you have sold, and the Booster Club will handle the payment of the salt. Please keep in mind that there is a good chance that there will be a volunteer fee for playing baseball next year. Sales generated during this sale will offset the amount of fundraising needed next Winter!!**

- John Stong made a motion to table discussion to the next Booster Club meeting. Also suggested was a possible fundraising committee meeting between these events. Please watch your e-mail if you are interested in voicing an opinion regarding fundraising.

8:05 PM **Website and committee membership.** Erin Kunzman noted that we need a person to manage the website. Also needed are booster members to volunteer for the various committees'. Please try to free up time to help your baseball program succeed!

8:10 PM Other... An **equipment manager's** position was discussed. Pat Quinn volunteered for this position and will be in charge of inventory and purchase of needed equipment. **THANKS PAT!!**

Purchase process was discussed. The booster club by-laws have a statement regarding spending and authorization. That procedure must be followed. No changes were made to that process at this time.

Uniform assistant. A person is needed to help distribute and collect uniforms for our players. We need to ensure that all equipment is in working order (zippers zip, all pants have crotches, etc) and discard items that are in disarray. Please see a board member if you are interested!!

8:17 PM Motion to end meeting... seconded and passed. Next Booster Club meeting will be held on 9/14/09 @ 6:30 PM. Location to be determined and disclosed at a later date.