

**West High Athletic Booster Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2010**

Coaches' Reports

Ralph Longus reported having 40 girls out for track with some good young athletes. This is the best young group he's had in many years. **Dr. Pappas** reported on the girl's basketball season ending with the Regional finals. They had a nice season with a 14-10 record. This included playing a tough schedule against a number of top teams.

Athletic Director's Report

News:

A) Congratulations to the Wrestlers, Alonzo Henderson and Zared Zuzich made it to the State Tournament.

B) Congratulations to TrayVonn Wright named the MVC Player of the Year and a participant in the Iowa basketball Coaches All-Star Game.

Old Business:

A) The new recycling trailer will be put into place as soon as we have steps. The current dumpster will be gone. This should be a tremendous fundraiser raising \$15,000 – 20,000 a year.

Upcoming Events We Host:

A) Spring Break is March 15-19. Spring sports are beginning.

B) Boys Varsity Tennis Tournament is Saturday April 4

General: Jeff was asked if next year's East - West basketball games would have restricted ticket sales with a girl/boys doubleheader. Jeff said yes, this will be the procedure and that the restricted sales result in a safe environment for the fans to enjoy the games.

Officers' Reports

Secretary's Report – Linda Gruetzmacher had previously emailed the February 8 minutes to the membership for review. Motion made to accept minutes, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Bruce Meisinger handed out the February Income Statement. There was very little activity. Next month the final amount will be determined to move from membership funds to Athletics. A motion was made to accept the minutes, motion passed.

Vice President's Report – Marvin Spencer reported he will follow up with Jeff and Marty Metcalf to proceed with the brick plaza. The final decisions are needed on the plan to get it done.

President's Report –

1) Wayne reported on the 40 foot recycling trailer for paper, magazines, and cardboard. It's estimated it will produce \$600-900 per full trailer which could be once a week. He is working with Warren Transport to get steps to go up to the trailer. There was general discussion on how to manage the trailer. Should it be left open or locked to prevent vandalism or unwanted dumping? Who should manage it...sports teams, other groups? They would need to make sure all the material is packed to the back of the trailer. Should it be advertised as being open one Saturday a month? Should the advertising of it be restricted to West families and possibly Kimball Ridge businesses?

2) Wayne asked if the boosters might be interested in selling anything when RAGBRAI comes through Waterloo in July and that we'd need a current or new committee chair to take over that responsibility.

3) Wayne reported that we are now set up to sell merchandise on the Athletics website. Examples could be Go Big or FatHead merchandise. To move ahead with this someone is needed to check into these or other possibilities and if found to be viable to get a link for their websites onto our Athletic website.

Committee Chair Reports

Parent Reps: Lisa McClain reported they are preparing for spring sports and have handed out a packet of information to the current parent reps. We need to get the word out to get parents of the younger athletes involved so they can take over as parent reps in future years.

Old Business -

a. Discussion is needed on the previously generated list of ideas for fund raising, increasing membership, and athletic participation. One fundraising idea was a 5k race. Ralph Longus reported he already had some pieces of this in place from a prior year plan. Discussion of other ideas was tabled until future meetings with greater attendance.

New Business -

a. An officer slate is needed for next year. Anyone who'd like to fill a position or recommend another person should contact Wayne Worthington or Marijo Petullo.

Meeting Adjourned 7:55

Next General Membership Meeting Monday, April 12, 2010