

**Andover Baseball Booster Club
April 4, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes**

Members present;

John Stong, Steve Johnson, John Keller, Kraig Garmaker, Coach Gawreluk, Judy Kronstedt, Mike Kronstedt, Scott Nelson, Chris Nelson, Doug Hagen, Scott Kunzman, Pat Quinn, Dave Munson, Jeff Ruhl, Hugh Gustafson, Karen Bryce, Andy Bryce, Tracy Strombeck, Michelle Freyholtz, Debbie Johnson, Ivan Winship, Kellie Jenkins, Michelle Winship, Chris Sycks, Robin Orchard, Pam Keeney, Mike Keeney, Kelly Quinehan, April Groettum, Todd Miller, Andrea Gausman, Mark Gausman, Tim O'Donnell, Rob Tomberlin, Mike Sheels and Pat Quinn.

6:30 PM. **Call to order**, John Stong.

6:31 PM Introductions.

6:37 PM **Secretary Report.** March minutes accepted as is. **Motioned by Pat Quinn, seconded by Dave Munson. All Ayes', no Naye's.**

6:39 PM **Treasurer's report. Steve Johnson reported the following;**

Checking balance on March 1, 2011: \$ 8,276.34

March Deposits:

Coffee:	\$ 180.00
Dugout Club:	\$ 215.12
Salt:	\$ 20,080.00
Signs:	\$ 950.00
Twins Tickets:	\$ 6,159.12
TOTAL:	\$ 27,584.24

March Payments:

Coffee:	\$ 112.00
Equipment:	\$ 800.00 (practice baseballs)
Player pack refund:	\$ 110.00
Postage:	\$ 22.61 (Twins tickets and stamps)
Salt:	\$ 19,737.90
Twins Tickets:	\$ 4,685.00 (April 9 game only)
Uniforms:	\$ 4,536.00 (9th grade jerseys, hats, JV/varsity vests)

TOTAL: \$ 30,003.51

March addition/subtraction: \$ -2,419.27

Checking Balance on March 31, 2011: \$ 5,856.97

Twins Ticket Account Balance on March 31, 2011: \$ 12.22

Receivables:

None

Payables:

Player packs (approx): \$ 4,000.00

Shipping for practice baseballs: \$ 200.00

Additional coaches: \$ 4,300.00

A motion was given by Pat Quinn to accept the treasurer's report. It was seconded by Judy Kronstedt. All Ayes', no Naye's.

6:42 PM **Coaches Report. Coach Gawreluk was absent, but electronically reported the following;**

Thank you to all of the parents and players for your time on our salt delivery day and our field work day. Our field is really shaping up and the water in town has never been softer!!

Clinics – they are full and going very well. Thank you to those who have helped there and a big thank you to Mrs. Garmaker, Mr. Stong and Mrs. Kunzman for your help!

Request for Funds: Gophers vs. Northwestern at Target Field on Friday, April 15 - \$300 – 30 tickets times \$10 each. AHS is covering the bus and releasing players at the end of 3rd hour to catch the 1:30 departure to Target Field. Otherwise, I'd ask every student to bring \$10 to cover their ticket plus any spending money.

A motion was made by April Groetum and seconded by Scott Kunzman to purchase tickets for all JV and Varsity players for the Gophers baseball game vs., Northwestern on 4/15/11. All Ayes' and no Naye's.

Our first 10th/JV/V set of games is still set for Saturday with a probably move to 2 p.m. due to ACT testing.

Cuts and Communication – Cutting players from our program is always difficult. We don't want to do it and certainly HATE doing it! This is directed to the players, but parents need to see it: If you have an issue at any time with playing time or anything, please see your coach and talk about it. We ask our student-athletes to learn to ask their

own questions and advocate for themselves. The emails, phone calls and letters received in the past 12 months to me and our coaches have been extremely negative, uninformed and, to be honest, vicious! I am getting sick of it and a poor example for what our organization is about is being set by just a very few individuals.

Pictures by David Banks – see Erin Kunzman

Twins Tickets – see John Stong

Batting Cages – we need to develop a plan there so we can get that project rolling. I welcome ideas as my time at this point is really limited!

Practices – have been going really well, but we are anxious to get outside!

6:47 PM **ABA Report:** Mike Keeney agreed to be the ABA liaison. It was reported that the cost for summer baseball (AAA, VFW and Legion) will be set at \$300.00. Registration dates will be near the end of April.

6:52 PM **Committee Reports**

- **Banquet committee-** Date for the Baseball Banquet is 5/31/10. A committee will be formed in March. Kelli Braatz has volunteered to be on this committee. Would you please help her? Please contact her if you would like to help.
- **Scoreboard committee-** John Keller reported that the scoreboard has been manufactured and will be installed by the first home varsity game, weather permitting.
- **Fundraising** – John Stong reported on the following fundraising areas. Hats and sweatshirts are available to parents via the website. Hats are \$20.00 and sweatshirts are \$50.00. Each player must set up an ‘affiliate account’ on our store website. This allows every player to get credit for the work that they do in our fundraising efforts. Please sign your player up! Please mark your calendars for 8/14/11. This will be the date for the summer salt delivery.

A motion was made by Robin Orchard and seconded by Doug Hagen to purchase a \$50.00 gas card and give an Andover baseball hat to Mike Goetz and Chase Johnson for their willingness to let the booster club use their equipment to deliver salt. Passed with all Ayes’ and no Nay’s.

Twins tickets will be available via the Booster Club website. It was decided that tickets will be available to booster club members and friends for a ‘discounted price’ using a discount promotion code that will be passed from the Booster Club. Each game will be priced on the website at a higher price, depending on expected demand for each game. The games available and ticket quantities are as follows:

Sat. 6/18/11	San Diego Padres	75 tickets
Fri. 7/1/11	Milwaukee Brewers	100 tickets
Sat. 7/2/11	Milwaukee Brewers	100 tickets
Sat. 8/6/11	Chicago White Sox	75 tickets
Tue. 8/9/11	Boston Red Sox	150 tickets
Fri. 8/19/11	NY Yankees	75 tickets
Sat. 8/20/11	NY Yankees	100 tickets
Sun. 8/21/11	NY Yankees	100 tickets

Mini Camps are in full gear, and fully attended. We grossed \$3,750.00 in this years camps and should show a decent net profit after expenses are paid. Thank you to Jeanette Garmaker, Erin Kunzman for coordinating and all the players that helped with the camps!

- **Equipment** – Pat Quinn reported the following;
All items have been purchased and have arrived!
- **Field Maintenance** – Dave Munson reported the following;
Thank you to all people and players that participated in field work Saturday. Wind screens and advertising signs are up. He will be asking for help in the near future on several projects, please try to make yourself available. The 9th grade field will need some work soon.

7:50 PM Pictures will be taken on 4/7/11 at 5:00 PM. More news will come out shortly. Each player will be responsible to pay for the pictures that they would like to keep for their family.

A Motion was made by Erin Kunzman and seconded by John Stong to authorize David Banks to photograph and provide pictures and posters for Andover Baseball for \$150.00. Passed with all Ayes' and no Naye's.

7:52 PM Flag Pole; It was discussed that we do not have a flag pole for our complex. John Keller will investigate the possibility of the scoreboard installation crew digging a hole for a pole. Dave Munson will check with the Coon Rapids VFW to provide the pole and flag.

7:55 PM OPEN FORUM:

April Groettum is looking for help with the Pitch, Hit and Run competition on Sunday, 5/1/11. She needs help with each facet of the contest. Please contact her if you are willing to help on this day to promote baseball skills in Andover!!

7:57 PM

Board Nominations:

Much discussion was had regarding the upcoming board elections. Nominations were made for each position as follows. A vote will be held at the next Booster Club meeting. If you are interested in getting on this list, or you know someone who would like the opportunity, please email Kraig Garmaker at kgarmaker@oldcastlebe.com .

President:	Jeff Ruhl
Vice President:	Dave Munson
Treasurer:	Steve Johnson
Secretary:	Hugh Gustafson

Scott Nelson volunteered to take over the Salt Coordinator position. Thank you VERY MUCH to Scott for stepping up and leading this valuable fundraiser!

8:12 PM

Mike Keeney made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Dave Munson. Passed with all Aye's and no Naye's.