

**PMHS ATHLETIC BOOSTERS
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MINUTES: August 19, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to Order at 8:05 by Dave Caretti. Bill Benson was in Lynchburg dropping his daughter off at school.

ATTENDEES: Jason Bellamy, Karen Lynch, David Caretti, Kevin Anderson, Mary Price, Trisch Sadowski, Mary Cae Tillie, Sam Marge, George Hall, Rick Smith, Dan Fuhrman, Greg Golczewski, Gabby Samra, Christi Campo, John Campo, Nancy Mahoney, Sharon Castronova

REVIEW OF MINUTES: There were no minutes available from the final Spring 2013 meeting.

FINANCE REPORT: Mary Price presented the Financial Report. Ending cash balance at this time is \$18,388. Income tax returns are almost ready to be filed. Expenditures which were approved this month were:

- Insurance Renewal (general) \$500.00
- Petty Cash Boxes \$675.00
- Merchandise (Back to School) \$1,000
- Tax Filing Fee (Secretary of State) \$100.00
- Estimated Sales Tax 2013-2014 \$1,000. This will now be paid monthly per state regulations

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR UPDATE: Jason Bellamy provided the following report:

- Rick Snyder 2012 passed away from his battle with cancer.
- There have been several changes in the High School front office . Dr. Sean Abel is the new Principal and Mrs. Stacey Zengel is a new Assistant Principal.
- Fall sports are underway and scrimmages have begun
- Harford County participation fees of \$50 per student/per sport are now in place. Fall athletes must pay their fees on line through My School Bucks between 8/21 and 9/3. Any athlete that does not pay during this time period will be withheld from contests. If they do not pay within two weeks from suspension, they will be suspended from participation.

These fees go into the HCPS BOE general funds, they DO NOT go directly to PMHS or PM Athletics.

There are absolutely no refunds for any reason.

There are three groups of students who are exempt from paying the fees and these include:

- Children of Harford County Teachers and HCEA employees

- Children of Active duty military
- Students receiving Free and Reduced Meals (FARMS)
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It is the responsibility of the student/parent to file a waiver in order to receive an exemption.

- Parent Meeting for Fall Sports will be held on Wednesday, August 21st at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium.
- Team Photos will be taken on Tuesday, August 27th after school.
- Home Coming football games will be held on Friday, October 11th and the dance will be held on Saturday, October 12th.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Community Relations:

- George Hall and Sam Marge announced that they will be stepping down as Chairs of the Community Relations Committee at the end of this school year, but will continue to volunteer in other capacities with the Booster Club. They will begin searching for replacement candidates.
- They are working to secure a pizza delivery contract before the first home game.

Merchandising:

- Items sold at Pup Camp on August 14th and raised \$942.00
- Tables will be set up Parent Meeting on August 21st and Husky Fest on August 23rd.
- Online store will close on August 25th to fill orders and will reopen at a later date.

Membership:

- We need to encourage families to join Boosters so we can increase parent involvement,
- It's important to remind families that the participation fees do not go to the sports programs, but that their Booster activity fees do.
- We need to consider buying "something" for the teams that do not have uniforms, i.e. golf and swimming. Golf towels and swimming caps were suggested. Hopefully this will assist increasing Booster Membership from parents who children participate in these activities.
- An order form for the shirt will be created to provide to parents who participate at the \$100 level.
- Jason will place an order for the high definition decals which we are able to purchase for \$2.45

Scholarship:

- We are in need of a volunteer to chair this committee. Dan will continue to help out until someone is appointed.
- Last year we were able to provide four (4) \$500 scholarships – two males and two females.
- This year we hope to provide four scholarships again to the most deserving students without a requirement that we provide an equal number to males and females.

Team Liaisons:

- Maria Lorenzo may be willing to chair this committee but will be seeking help from other volunteers.
- Duties include working with parent reps for teams, helping staff concessions, etc.
- Based upon the discussion regarding the roles of the Committee chairs, the value added of such a committee was questioned. It was agreed to table the discussion at this time.

Bull Roast:

- Carol is looking for volunteers to help with this event which will be held on November 2nd at the Richlin Ballroom.
- Deposit has been paid.

Bingo:

- We are continuing to search for a chairperson and other volunteer staff for this event.

Program Book/Webmaster:

- Website is up to date
- There is a link on the website to reach the Student Store.
- Mitch will continue to do photographs and generate graphics.
- Looking for volunteers to assist with publishing, photography and/or graphic design

BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION:

Summary of August Board Meeting:

- Review of Operating Expenses
- Need to continue to search for volunteers for open committee positions

Fall Uniforms:

- Cheerleading uniforms have not yet arrived. They are expected to be in shortly.

Sideline Scorer's Table:

- Jason continues to work with the Vendor who provided the table to reach an acceptable resolution. There have been multiple issues related to color, missing parts, defects in workmanship, etc.

Raven's Fundraiser:

- We have agreed to provide staffing to hand out Programs before two Raven's football games – September 22nd against Texas and November 28th (Thanksgiving) .
- Volunteers will arrive three hours before the game begins and will work thru kick-off.
- Free parking will be provided and there will be a shuttle bus to get volunteers to and from the stadium.
- Patterson Mill will be paid \$38 per volunteer. A motion to offer \$8.00 per sport team participant with the remaining \$30.00 going to the Boosters was unanimously approved.
- Rick Smith will lead the effort to organize volunteers for each event.

Concession Upgrades:

- We need to find a reliable, consistent source of hot water for the stand.
- Jason has discussed this with the School and it appears that Maintenance (plumbers, electricians) have begun addressing this issue
- Greg will continue to search options for hot water needed for coffee and hot chocolate.

ADDITIONAL UPDATES:

- Gabby Samra attended the MPSSAAA Student Leadership Conference this summer. She stated this was an “awesome experience” with “phenomenal speakers”. We will look to send additional students this coming year (Brett Michaels, Billy Benson, Noah Holloway and Jason Lynch also attended to represent PMHS).
- Sports schedules are now available at countysportzone.com. All Harford and Cecil County schedules are posted.
- For the first time, Patterson Mill will not field a JV Boys Volleyball team due to lack of student interest.