

**Bartlett High School  
Booster Club  
Meeting Minutes**

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Meeting Date: July 13, 2010  
Meeting Time: 7:00 PM  
Presiding: Jerry Miller  
Officers Present: Jeff Bral, Dan Lewis, Michelle Zelinsky  
Directors Present: Lena Whitaker ( Basketball – Proxy), Minnie McCarthy (Cheerleading), Jeanette Bottiglieri (Cross Country), Kristie Bruneman (Dance), Rob Douglas (Fine Arts), Juli Parent (Football), Karen Lewis (Soccer), Ann Crawford (Girls Track), Heather Salatino ( Boys Track), Mary Beth Hartford (Volleyball), Laura Moreno (Wrestling)  
Regular Members: Bill James ((Wrestling), Elisa Stevens (Dance)

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The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

**President's Report – Jerry Miller**

- There will be a separate meeting with Juli Parent (Football) after the general booster meeting to discuss the Pizza Cook-off.

**Athletic Director's Report –Jeff Bral**

- Homecoming week is 9/26 – 10/2.
- The Athletic Director positions in the district are a 10 month position (not full 12 month). During the two summer months, Jeff will be in and out, but not available full time. He will try to check emails periodically.
- Summer camps are going well. Participation is slightly down from past years due to overall economy.
- 2010-2011 Budgets are the same so far – no new news to report. No teams will be cut at this point. BHS shouldn't notice much difference from last year. Teams will now be participation based by sport (i.e. Freshman B sports could still be available depending on the number of participants).
- With the teaching cuts, there were initially ~ 758 positions cut. Approximately 350-400 were hired back. Open coaching positions based on these cuts were at ~43 originally and now at about 20 open coaching spots to fill. Focus will first be on Fall sports and then on Winter & Spring sports.
- The rental committee has established 5 pricing tiers for rental of district space. Tiers are based on level of BHS involvement.
- BHS Alumni Justin Jensen tragically died on 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend due to a heart attack from an enlarged heart. Justin had just graduated from ISU with a Special Education degree. The family has requested that any donations in honor of Justin be made to the Special Olympics.
- Jeff and his wife are expecting their first child around January 10. Congratulations Jeff!!!

**Treasurer's Report – Dan Lewis**

- Dan provided the financial statements for all the Clubs in their folders.
- Dan will provide a sample of a Fundraiser Report he would like the clubs to complete for their individual fundraisers. The report summarizes the income & expense so that Dan and the clubs can more clearly understand the profits from the events and determine the amount to be apportioned to the General Booster. The template will be posted to the Booster website.
- Dan noted that he still has 5-6 checks without documentation for 2008-2009. He will pursue getting the proper support from the clubs involved.
- Dan is investigating a change in our consumer checking account at Harris Bank to a commercial account or an account at another bank to allow us to earn more interest.
- To date we have received only 7 General Booster memberships. Since it is the beginning of the new school year, all Club Directors need to send in their own memberships and hand out

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membership forms to their Club members. We are considering having a membership table at registration and at the Freshman Target Meeting. Jeff Bral said a member from the General Boosters is welcome to speak at the Target meeting to encourage membership – Kristie Bruneman volunteered.

- Dan reported that new memberships are especially critical as our account balance is down ~ \$6,000 from this point a year ago.
- A question came up regarding the percentage the General Boosters received from Fundraiser profits. It was uncertain if all events contributed 10% or if concessions contributed 15%. Jerry Miller will confirm in the Bylaws.

## **Club Reports**

### **Girls Track – Ann Crawford**

- Ann Crawford is the new Club Director for Girls Track.

### **Fine Arts – Rob Douglas**

- Rob motioned to allow Fine Arts to spend \$600 to reimburse the orchestra teacher for buses rented in March for a fieldtrip. Karen Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Rob motioned to allow Fine Arts to spend up to \$750 for rental in support of the Craft Fair in fall. Karen Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Cheerleading – Minnie McCarthy**

- Minnie motioned to allow Cheerleading to have the following fundraisers this year:
  - Candy Bar Sale (sold off site – not at BHS)
  - Wreath Sale (also did last year)
  - 50/50 Raffle at football games (done for several years)
  - Window decals (also done last year).

Rob Douglas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Minnie inquired about Cheerleading being able to sell general Spirit Wear at Football games. Juli Parent indicated that Football would prefer to not have other clubs selling at football games because it would take away from their Spirit Wear sales at the games. Jerry will check the Bylaws to see if a Club needs approval to sell items at another Club's event (mostly at Football and Basketball games due to the large number of fans attending). Since Cheer and Dance also perform at Football and Basketball games, they would like the opportunity to be able to sell too. Others Clubs have sold at Football games in the past, but Football has provided approval (i.e. Rally towels for playoffs in Fall '08). Jeff Bral indicated that Clubs can sell Spirit Wear during lunch hour; however, the date needs approval in advance.
- An email vote was sent on 6/10/10 for Minnie McCarthy's motion to allow Cheerleading to have a new fundraiser selling concessions at the Bill George Youth Football League (BGYFL) coaches clinic. The motion was seconded by Karen Lewis (Girls Soccer). I received 10 additional Director's votes in favor of the motion: Cary Wick (Baseball), Lisa Wantroba (Basketball), Jeanette Bottiglieri (Cross Country), Kristie Bruneman (Dance), Juli Parent (Football), Dan Palmer (Student Council), Lynda Simon (Girls Track), Heather Salatino (Boys Track), Mary Beth Hartford (Girls Volleyball), Laura Moreno (Wrestling). No votes were opposed to the motion. The motion was approved on 6/13/10.
- An email vote was sent on 7/1/10 for Minnie McCarthy's motion to allow Cheerleading to pay \$1000 to DuPage Cheer for Choreography. The motion

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was seconded by Lisa Wantroba (Basketball). I received 12 additional Director's votes in favor of the motion: Cary Wick (Baseball), Jeanette Bottiglieri (Cross Country), Kristie Bruneman (Dance), Juli Parent (Football), Larry Marciniak (Golf), Karen Lewis (Girls Soccer), Jody Beck (Softball), Dan Palmer (Student Council), Lynda Simon (Girls Track), Heather Salatino (Boys Track), Mary Beth Hartford (Girls Volleyball), Laura Moreno (Wrestling). No votes were opposed to the motion. The motion was approved on 7/5/10.

**Wrestling – Laura Moreno**

- Laura motioned to allow Wrestling to spend \$1,498.75 for uniforms. Rob Douglas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Dance – Kristie Bruneman**

- Kristie motioned to allow Dance to spend up to \$3,000 for camp clothes and uniforms. Minnie McCarthy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Kristie motioned to allow Dance to have the following fundraisers this Fall:
  - Car Wash at McDonald's 8/21
  - Car Wash at Joe Cotton Ford 9/4
  - Dance Workshop in October

Rob Douglas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- An email vote was sent on 7/20/10 for Kristie Bruneman's motion to allow Dance Team to spend up to \$5,800.00 on UDA camp fees. The motion was seconded by Juli Parent (Football). I received 11 additional Director's votes in favor of the motion: Cary Wick (Baseball), Lisa Wantroba (Basketball), Jeanette Bottiglieri (Cross Country), Rob Douglas (Fine Arts), Karen Lewis (Girls Soccer), Jody Beck (Softball), Dan Palmer (Student Council), Ann Crawford (Girls Track), Heather Salatino (Boys Track), Mary Beth Hartford (Girls Volleyball), Laura Moreno (Wrestling). No votes were opposed to the motion. The motion was approved on 7/23/10.

**Girls Volleyball – Mary Beth Hartford**

- Mary Beth motioned to allow Volleyball to have a Car Wash fundraiser at the end of August. Karen Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Football – Juli Parent**

- Julie inquired about the possibility of a new fundraiser for football. Similar to what basketball had done in previous years, Football would allow students entry into all home games if they were wearing a spirit t-shirt purchased for \$30. Jeff indicated that the district gets the admission fess paid for football games so allowing free admission with the purchase of a spirit shirt would not be allowed.
- Julie inquired about the repair of the pizza warmer in concessions at Millennium. While Football had numerous problems with the warmer last season, Track reported that it worked fine in Spring for the track meets.

**Basketball – Lena Whitaker (Proxy for Lisa Wantroba)**

- An email vote was sent on 6/23/10 for Lisa Wantroba's motion to allow Basketball to pay \$2823.31 to U-46 for expenses incurred for gym rental for practices and games for BHS Basketball Feeder Program. The motion was seconded by Cary Wick (Baseball). I received 10 additional Director's votes in favor of the motion: Jeanette Bottiglieri (Cross Country), Kristie Bruneman (Dance), Rob Douglas (Fine Arts), Juli Parent (Football), Karen Lewis (Girls Soccer), Jody Beck (Softball), Dan Palmer (Student Council), Lynda Simon (Girls Track), Heather Salatino (Boys Track), Laura

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Moreno (Wrestling). No votes were opposed to the motion. The motion was approved on 6/27/10.

**New Business**

- There was considerable discussion regarding increasing Business Sponsorships. We can offer businesses an advertising banner on our Booster website that is being updated by Bill James. In addition, we could have a Booster page in the Fall Sports Program and list family or corporate sponsorships. We currently can not sell advertising, as this is done by an outside company that publishes the Sports Program. Minnie McCarthy agreed to lead the effort to solicit corporate sponsorships. We could also sell Game Programs at each game with the Home and Visitor Rosters (Jeff Bral can get the Visiting team rosters but there will be a short turnaround).
- Karen Lewis inquired about obtaining a key to get into Millennium Field. Jeff Bral indicated that the coaches had keys and could allow the Boosters access.
- Juli Parent inquired about opening the bathrooms at Millennium for Football's 7-on-7 scrimmages. Jeff Bral was going to investigate this possibility with the janitorial staff; however, there were concerns from previous experiences where the facilities were left unlocked after practice and vandalism was reported.

**Old Business**

- Kristie Bruneman confirmed that Dance will chair the Chili Cook-off later this year.
- The Pizza Cook-off is being lead by Football (Juli Parent) this year. They are looking to hold the event in late August or early September. They need to consider how to avoid the power outage problems that were encountered last year at the event.
- Many members inquired about the general availability of Spirit Wear from A+ Marketing, who discussed his company at one of last year's Booster Meeting. We had decided to have a link to A+ Marketing on the General Booster website but it has never been established. Jerry will check on the status of A+ Marketing or another Spirit Wear vendor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM.

**Announcements**

The next Booster Board Meeting will be on Tuesday August 10 at 7:00 PM in the BHS Library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Zelinsky  
Secretary, BHS Booster Club