



WALTER JOHNSON BOOSTER CLUB

6400 Rock Spring Drive, Bethesda MD 20817

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Walter Johnson High School

All-School Booster Club Meeting

January 10 , 2024

Zoom

Welcome: The meeting was called to order by President Mary Bittle Koenick.

Funding Requests:

1. Science Olympiad: A request for \$2,500 was made for team essentials including materials, field guides, and registration fees. Four club officers and Advisor Brock Eastman were present at the meeting.
2. Cheer/Gymnastics: A request for \$3,000 was made to cover expenses related to cheer mats. Parent Debbie Berger and two club officers were present.

Updates:

- **Administration and Sports: Terry Heintze**
 - The scoreboard will be functional by spring (fixed by contractor).
 - Swim and Dive teams are undefeated.
 - A doubleheader against Churchill is scheduled for Friday.
 - Spring sports opened on January 12, with tryouts starting March 1.
 - Thanks were extended to the Boosters for funding sports awards and plaques.
 - The search for a new WJ Principal is ongoing.
- **Athletic Director: Larry Hurd**
 - Provided an overview of upcoming major expenditures, including a new scoreboard, a shot put area on the field, gymnasium banners, weight room painting, and new mats for cheer and gymnastics.
- **Treasurer: Mary Bittle reporting on behalf of Shannon Dietrich**
 - The Boosters have ample funds.
 - A reminder to submit reimbursement receipts.
- **Membership: Mary Bittle on behalf of Michele Wisniewski**
 - There are 26 or 27 new sponsorships.

Committees:

- **Concessions: Dawn Harris**
 - Winter concessions have commenced.



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- Reported an issue with a leaking sink in the indoor area.
- Only one adult is needed for winter concession events.
- **School Store: Mary Bittle on behalf of Becky Sher**
 - A recent hoodie order was received.
 - The main merchandise push occurs in September and October.
- **Banners: Mary Bittle Koenick**
 - Discussed the need to weatherproof banners, customize them, and recognize volunteers.
 - Considered the possibility of a banner to recognize the team that volunteers the most for concessions.
- **Used Book Sale (March 2-3, 2024): Amantha Linkie**
 - Efforts are ongoing to spread the word and compile lists of neighborhoods, listservs, school contacts, and PTA listservs.
 - There have been many inquiries.
 - Discussed the number of tables needed.
 - Book drop dates are listed on the Boosters Instagram Page: January 20, February 4, and February 18.
 - **During school days, books can be dropped off at the loading dock.**
- **Mulch Sale (March 15-16, 2024): Mary Bittle Koenick and Michele Wisniewski**
 - The mulch website will go live by early February, and the sale is scheduled early this year.

New Business: Mary Bittle Koenick

- **Open Positions:**
 - Corporate Sponsorship – OPEN
 - Wildcat Sponsorship Coordinator – OPEN
 - Treasurer's Assistant (for tax returns) – OPEN
 - Membership Chair – GRADUATING
- Post-Prom: \$2,500 will be awarded.
- Website: Discussed toolkit for teams/parent commissioners.
- Recurring Expenses: Athletics Department purchase of award plaques for sports awards (MVP, Wildcat, Sportsmanship).

Voting:

- Science Olympiad: Michele Wisniewski motioned to approve \$2,500. Terry Heintze seconded. The motion was unanimously approved (10/10 in favor).
- Cheer/Gymnastics: A motion to approve \$3,000 was made by Amantha Linkie and seconded by Michele Wisniewski. The motion was unanimously approved (10/10 in favor).



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Attendance

Mary Bittle Koenick
Dawn Harris
Jenny Corrado
Melissa
Jennifer Corrado
Meghan Zampardi
Terry Heintze
Janice Marks
Michele Wisniewski
Shannon Dietrich
Brock Eastman
Mary Klassen-Fischer
Cheryl Hughes
Shoshana Berger
Heather Down
Marc Wilensky
Becky Sher
Mary Klassen

Next Meeting: February 10, 2024