

Saugus Baseball Booster Club Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:31 PM

Location: Saugus High School

Attendees:

- **Ryan Purdy** (Acting President)
- **Bryan Kreuzberger** (Vice President)
- **Kenny Harris** (Treasurer)
- **Kim Seeley** (Secretary)
- **Kimberlee Haag** (Fundraising Chair)
- **Mike Miller** (Head Coach)
- **Parents and Community Members**

Agenda:

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Ryan Purdy welcomed attendees to the first Saugus Baseball Booster Club meeting.
- Introductions of the board members:
 - **Vice President:** Bryan Kreuzberger
 - **Treasurer:** Kenny Harris
 - **Secretary:** Kim Seeley
 - **Fundraising Chair:** Kimberlee Haag
 - **Head Coach:** Mike Miller

2. Booster Club Overview

- Ryan Purdy provided an overview of the Booster Club's purpose and its newly obtained 501(c)(3) nonprofit status, which separates it from the school's ASB program. The club will manage funds to support the Saugus High School baseball program transparently.

3. Coaching Staff Introduction

- **Mike Miller** introduced the coaching staff for the 2024-2025 season:
 - **Varsity Coaches:** Renee Carta, Ray Avalos, Anthony Ramirez
 - **JV Coaches:** Jeff Bennett, Gunner, Tom Hanson
 - **Freshman Coach:** Ryan Galthany
 - **Pitching Coaches:** Tom Hanson, Anthony Ramirez

4. Mission Statement

- Ryan Purdy read the mission statement, emphasizing the development of players' character, leadership, and accountability both on and off the field, with a focus on academics and community involvement.

5. Booster Club Bylaws

- The bylaws were sent to members for review prior to the meeting.

- **Motion to approve the bylaws as presented:**
 - **Motion made by:** Bryan Kreuzberger
 - **Seconded by:** Micah Roberts
 - **Vote:** All in favor, none opposed
 - **Result:** Bylaws approved at 6:41 PM.
- 6. **2024-2025 Budget Proposal**
 - Ryan Purdy presented the proposed budget, estimating the operating cost at approximately \$151,000.
 - Significant expenses include field maintenance, uniforms, transportation, and umpire fees.
 - Concerns were raised by parents about the \$1,000 estimated per-player contribution. The board clarified that contributions are voluntary, and fundraising efforts will help meet budget goals.
- 7. **Budget Approval**
 - **Motion to approve the 2024-2025 budget as presented:**
 - **Motion made by:** Bryan Kreuzberger
 - **Seconded by:** Kenny Harris
 - **Vote:** All in favor, none opposed
 - **Result:** Budget approved at 7:17 PM.
- 8. **Fundraising Initiatives**
 - Several fundraising events and opportunities were discussed, including:
 - **Cornhole Tournament:** Scheduled for November 17, 2024, at Lucky Luke's.
 - **Business Sponsorships:** Advertising banners for local businesses will be displayed at the field year-round.
 - **Fall Baseball Camp:** Scheduled during Thanksgiving week for local children.
 - **Alumni Game and Other Events** to be scheduled.
- 9. **Field Maintenance and Volunteer Opportunities**
 - A volunteer day was scheduled for **Saturday, September 28, 2024, at 8:00 AM** to address field maintenance tasks.
 - Assistance with equipment and transport of sod was requested from attendees.
- 10. **Website and Social Media**
 - The Booster Club's website has been launched, providing access to bylaws, the budget, and fundraising information.
 - A new Instagram account was created to increase visibility, and parents were encouraged to share photos and videos of their players to promote the team.

Meeting Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM by **Ryan Purdy**.