



## **TWHS Booster Club Meeting Minutes – October 9, 2024**

**Welcome – 6:33 pm**

**President's Report – Chris Soucy**

- Membership – most families at the meeting had already joined booster club
- Important that members fill out Family Information Form on the [twhsffa.org](http://twhsffa.org) website.
  - Moving forward, those who have filled out this form will be the ones who receive emails.
- Homecoming Float Build
  - Thank you to those who have stepped up to help
  - Thank you to Mr. Castillo for his trailer
- What we need
  - Ag Olympics
    - Assist students with making t-shirts
    - Chaperones (we'll need 2 parents)
  - Christmas Party
    - Is at Otwell Barn (Oak Ridge and Grand Oaks barn)
    - Assists in helping with supplies (waters and snacks)
    - Help students put together 2 auction baskets
  - 2 Volunteers for Scholarships Committee

- No senior parents: freshman and sophomore parents preferred
- Please reach out to the board
- Spirit Wear Volunteer
  - Works with vendor and advisors regarding design, online store options, and distribution (Lesley Seiler)

### **Treasurer Report – Ryan Ragas**

- Current balance \$16,700
- Membership dues have been used to purchase t-shirts for FFA students
- Mr. Castillo will donate funding to refurbish booster trailer
- The booster club also is putting money toward homecoming float
- Balance after purchases have gone through - \$14,700

### **Membership Report – Sabrina Yamani**

- 18 family memberships so far
- The early bird special for membership that was \$175 is over.
- Membership dues are back to \$200.
- Please go to the website if you have not joined.
- Reach out to treasurer Ryan Ragas if interested in paying in 4 \$50 installments

### **Sponsorship Report – Rory Turcotte**

- Arena Energy – Sponsorship \$1000
- If anyone's company matches, please reach out.

### **Spirit Wear Report – Gina Soucy**

- Yard signs are being printed and should be ready in the next week.
- Spirit wear store should also be set up very soon and the link will be put on the website. An email with the information will be sent.
- Lesley Seiler has offered to help with spirit wear and will work with Gina the rest of this year and will take over for next school year.

### **Chapter Report – Evie Ragas**

- Upcoming float build dates 10/10, 10/14, 10/16: Parade is 10/23 at 5:30pm – Building the float is taking place at 1119 Pruitt Rd. All are welcome to come out and help
- Ag Olympics will be 10/26 from 8:30am-12:00pm at Otwell Barn (Oak Ridge HS's barn) 10998 Fairview Dr. 77385
  - o Students will get a head count and will look for Woodlands green shirts
- Greenhand camp – this is for first year FFA students to learn about CDEs, LDEs, and SAEs. This will take place during school on 10/30 at the Otwell Barn. All Ag teachers will be there. Students must be UIL eligible to go.
- Evie showed pictures of student at the barn with their animals and celebrated Gabbi Turcotte who took 5<sup>th</sup> place and made sale at the State Fair.
- 46 students came to the initial meeting, 32 at current meeting
- HEB is a Gold Sponsor and donated food for tonight's meeting and plans to help sponsor upcoming events.

### **Advisor Report**

- Meat sales from the usual fall fundraiser have been down over the past couple of years.
- This year the students will be doing a calendar fundraiser. The calendar will be put on Remind.
- The goal is for every FFA student to complete a calendar. The first student to complete a calendar and the student who raises the most money will receive a belt buckle at the end of the year.
  - o Parents will collect calendar donations and then will write one check to the FFA chapter
  - o Calendars will be due at the next FFA meeting, November 13<sup>th</sup>.
- All communications will be through Remind 101 App
- Please pay FFA dues, they are late but can still be paid.
- All information is on the website

### **New Business**

- A treadmill was found for goats and lambs; The booster club brought the treadmill to the barn and CP built the box.

- Catherine Ragas (Parliamentarian) reported that she is currently updating the booster club bylaws. They have not been updated since 2015 and need to be simplified.
  - The addendum will be ready for November's meeting and can be voted in at the January's meeting.
    - For the vote, we will need 4-5 non-board booster club members.
- Scholarships do have requirements including parent and student membership. The district has regulations requiring where scholarships checks can be made to
- Float theme is decades 60's, 70's, 80's

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:28 pm**