

**Booster Board Meeting Minutes**  
**December 12, 2021**  
**6:30 pm**

**Members Present:** Shadde Wicks and Darragh Killilea Wicks, Steve Miller, Kim and Damon Janssen, Bryan and Barb Thiel; Dave and Alia Bartell, Greg and Becky Walen, Rob and Julie Manly, Brian and Leah Bjorkman, Kevin and Debbie Breitbach, Mark and Jenny Trogstad; Tom and Steph Astrup.

Member Absent: Mike and Tracy LaMont; Bobbi Miller.

**Others Present:** Dan Shultis.

1. **Call to Order:** President Shadde Wicks started the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

**II. Secretary's Report:** Rob Manly previously emailed the November 7, 2021 meeting minutes. Becky Walen moved to approve the minutes, Kim Janssen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**III. Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report was presented by Steve Miller. Miller reported on receipt of corporate sponsorships from John Deere, Microsoft and General Equipment, as well as payment of previously approved expenses. Miller also indicated that a \$243 expense was submitted by the band, that had not been previously approved by the Board. Bryan Theil moved to approve the report, Damon Janssen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **IV. Committee Reports**

1. **Hospitality and Spirit.** Steve Miller discussed upcoming fan appreciation night for both and girls basketball on December 17th (both squads versus West Fargo HS). All volunteer spots have been booked. Elks Club is donating sloppy joes for the event. The board discussed supplies needed for the event. The committee discussed doing a possible drawing/gift card giveaway as part of the event.

Miller also displayed mock ups of possible Booster banners to use at North HS fan appreciation events, that have been obtained by the subcommittee, and discussed use for the banner.

The board also discussed generally approval thresholds for motions needed to approve board expenditures.

A motion was made to purchase a fan appreciation banner and roaster, to be limited to \$250, Shadde Wicks moved, Damon Janssen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The board also discussed setting a date for a hockey fan appreciation night. With the girls hockey program split with South, the board discussed checking if South would sponsor a girls hockey appreciation night, and setting a fan appreciation night for the boys team. Tom Astrup noted that only two South girls participate in the program. After discussion, the board consensus was to set the appreciation night during a girls game this year, and set **January 18th** for the event.

2. **Registration/Membership.** Alia Bartell reported that additional members have been signed up.
3. **Advertising.** Leah Bjorkman indicated that she had pulled some additional advertising information regarding football scoreboard displays and earmarking advertising rates, including old fliers. Future brochures will include contact information for new activity director Shultis.
4. **Communication.** Jenny Trogstad indicated that slideshow is live on the Facebook site and sponsor recognition will start in January.

## **V. Old Business.**

1. Table covering: Shultis displayed the newly acquired table covering, and discussed various uses for the covering. The board was also presented other table covering options and displays that could be used specifically for 50/50 drawings and other events.

Bryan Thiel moved to approve purchase of 3 coverings for 8 foot tables. Leah Bjorkman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

2. Treasurer volunteers. Becky Walen volunteered to serve as next year's treasurer, and has discussed transition of the position with current treasurer Steve Miller. The board was overjoyed. Hopefully a t-shirt cannon can be funded.
3. Commons Video/Audio. Shulits reemphasized that this issue will be reviewed in the spring.
4. Digital Trophy Case. Nothing new reported on this item, Shulits reemphasized this as a down-the-road issue.
5. Branding Options. Shultis presented a possible new display to obtain for the North HS gym concession stand. Pricing to be obtained by Shultis and presented for Booster approval. The

board also discussed the possibility of using credit card scanners at concessions, with Shultis indicating that payment method is determined by Fargo Public Schools and uniform among all three high schools.

6. Tennis Chairs updated request. The quote for tennis chairs came back at \$1806.64. Motion to approve the purchase made by Tom Astrup, Steve Miller seconded, motion passed.

## **VI. New Business:**

1. North High pantry needs: The board discussed North High student and faculty participation in donating to food pantry donations, noting the efforts of faculty member Mr. Lehman and North student groups. The board discussed matching contributions to Open Door. Shultis to check on current funding status and possible booster contribution.

2. 8th Grade Elective/Activity Fair Event Shultis advised that this event is set for January 10th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm, and indicated that principal Christianson had requested the board consider sponsoring food for the event, estimating the cost at \$900 total. Purchase of bars through the district office would be an additional cost. A table would be available to the Booster Club if we wanted to use it for promotional purchase.

After discussion, a motion was made by Damon Janssen, seconded by Julie Manly, to approve the purchase of food and bars at this event. Motion passed.

3. SYBA Night. Shultis reported that SYBA players will be invited to attend the basketball games on January 17th, with the games broadcast by Midco. Attendance expected to be very high for this event, the same night as the Booster appreciation event.

4. Miscellaneous items. Shultis indicated that North HS student groups have been slow to pick up concession volunteer shifts, and outside groups, such as SYBA, might be invited to pick up fundraising opportunities.

The board discussed various options for encouraging concession staffing, and discussed concession staffing at other events.

Shadde Wicks discussed starting to think about new officers heading into the following school year.

**Next Meeting** - After discussion, the next board meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 9th, at 6:30 in room 102.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:26 pm, with a thunderous strike of President Wicks' gavel.