

Booster Board Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2022
6:30 pm

Members Present: Shadde Wicks and Darragh Killilea Wicks, Steve and Bobbi Miller, Kim and Damon Janssen, Bryan and Barb Thiel, Dave and Alia Bartell, Rob and Julie Manly; Leah Bjorkman, Kevin and Debbie Breitbach, Mike and Tracy LaMont, Tom Astrup.

Member Absent: Mark and Jenny Trogstad; Brian Bjorkman; Greg and Becky Walen; Steph Astrup.

Others Present: Dan Shultis.

1. **Call to Order:** President Shadde Wicks started the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

II. Secretary's Report: Rob Manly previously emailed the December 12, 2021 meeting minutes. Bobbi Miller moved to approve the minutes, Leah Bjorkman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

III. Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was presented by Steve Miller, who was wearing a very sharp Minnesota Wild cap. Miller reported on monthly financial matters, including new score clocks purchased. Julie Manly moved to approve the report, Damon Janssen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IV. Committee Reports

1. **Hospitality and Spirit.** Bobbi Miller discussed the fan appreciation night for both and girls basketball held on December 17th (both squads versus West Fargo HS). The remaining sloppy joes were donated to the swim team for the event.

Barb Theil reported on the upcoming hockey fan appreciation event. Theil reported that the Park District was putting limitations on 100 servings and no beverages, because they are protective of their concession sales. Sign-up email will be sent out for volunteer shifts. The board discussed set up and logistical needs, with direction offered by Shultis.

Barb Thiel indicated future events include National Honors Society and a choir concert in May.

2. **Registration/Membership.** No report offered.
3. **Advertising.** No report offered.

4. **Communication.** Kim Janssen reported about emailed event reminders that have gone out, and Facebook recognitions to be set up on the Booster Facebook site shortly.

V. Old Business.

1. **Pantry Funding Status:** Shultis checked on needs for the school food pantry, and needs with Assistant Principal Cieslak. Cieslak indicated that needs remained steady, including cash donations. The board discussed various options for funding, and for promotion among North parents and booster members. The board also discussed various options for appropriate funding amounts.

Tom Astrup moved to approve a donation of \$1000. Kim Janssen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

2. **New Booster members.** President Wicks indicated that we need to start discussing possible board members to join, with four positions open for 2022-23. Steve Miller indicated that names were usually presented in March with a vote in April.

3. **Concession Stand signage.** Shultis provided the board with flyers demonstrating different options obtained from Westlake Graphics. The school would be able to offer half of the cost. Bryan Thiel asked about options for digital displays, and whether the concession space would be amenable to other options, but Shultis indicated that space and installation issues would cause problems with that option, but may be an option in the future.

Bryan Theil moved to approve paying \$750 for the concession signage. Leah Bjorkman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

4. **Hockey fan appreciation night.** The board previously discussed this agenda item.
5. **8th Grade Elective/Activity Fair update.** Shultis indicated the event is set for January 10th. Food and snacks have been ordered for the event, and will likely come in under the amount previously approved by the board.

VI. New Business:

1. **Main Stadium Audio Update:** Shultis indicated he had discussed audio issues with the North HS stadium audio system with North parent Jason Boutwell, who works at Marco. The audio system has significant issues, and is approximately 25 years old. The speakers are nearly shot, and volume is difficult to handle. Tricorne Audio provided a quote for improvements, as did Daktronics. The Fargo School District has been contacted for approval of the cost. Boutwell indicated to Shultis that he may be able to obtain the components at cost. Shultis indicated that North HS has numerous facility improvement needs, but wanted to get this on the school

district's focus and also the board. The agenda item will be kept open and monitored, looking at a mix of donated items, school district contributions, and possible booster board contribution.

2. 42/43 Club: The board went to the main gym and reviewed the displays for various record holders (volleyball, girls and boys basketball) and the banners for the 42/43 club. Unfortunately, as usual, no t-shirt gun was on display or available for use. Shultis went through needs for improving these displays and possible costs, while gauging board interest. The consensus of the board was to explore framing options for the 42/43 club banners and review alternative display options for the record-holder displays.

3. Miscellaneous: Julie Manly asked about SpartanMart apparel and options. Shultis showed the board an online platform for Spartan apparel/gear purchases. Ten percent of the SpartanMart proceeds goes back to the school. Shultis indicated that the website will be up and promoted shortly. Julie Manly groused about SpartanMart's hours being limited to school hours, and about her husband poking mild fun at her for bringing up a matter that wasn't on the meeting agenda.

Next Meeting - The next board meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 6, at 6:30 in room 102.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm, with two courteous taps of President Wicks' gavel.