

Booster Board Meeting Minutes
March 6, 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, Brian and Leah Bjorkman, Kevin and Debbie Breitbach, Mark and Jenny Trogstad, Tom and Steph Astrup, Becky Walen.

Members Absent: Greg Walen; Mike and Tracy LaMont.

Others Present: Dan Shultis.

1. **Call to Order:** President Shadde Wicks started the meeting at 6:32 p.m., and would have been 6:30 but for the Manlys showing up regrettably late.

II. Secretary's Report: Rob Manly previously emailed the February 6, 2022 meeting minutes. Damon Janssen moved to approve the minutes, Tom Astrup seconded the motion. Motion carried.

III. Treasurer's Report: A brief financial update was provided by Steve Miller. As Miller indicated in an email sent to the board prior to the meeting, because Della was on vacation all of last week, he didn't have Fund 7 activity for February.

IV. Committee Reports

1. **Hospitality and Spirit.** Jenny Trogstad reported for this committee. Upcoming events include National Honors Society ceremony in April and a choir concert in May.
2. **Registration/Membership.** No report offered.
3. **Advertising.** Kevin Breitbach reported that one payment for signage remains outstanding.
4. **Communication.** Kim Janssen reported that 'thank you's' to sponsors went out via Facebook.

V. Old Business.

1. New Booster members. President Wicks began discussion about possible new board with board members, with various board members discussion possibilities for the four open positions for 2022-23, and received interest from a number of northside families.

2. Concession stand updates. Blake Mikesell, the director for maintenance and operations for the Fargo School District, joined the meeting to discuss the Spartandome concession stand and possible improvement/remodel options. Miskell indicated that the school district had funds in the budget for improvements such as those being reviewed at North HS.

Mikesell and the board reviewed the concession stand, and discussed various options for improvements. Mikesell indicated that the concession area needed to be overhauled, and the board and Mikesell exchanged ideas for improvements.

3. State championship signage. Shultis showed the board a sample display for North state championship teams. He discussed replacements for the old signs dating back to the 1970s.

4. Commons A/V updates. Shultis indicated that a proposal will be presented later with a proposal to come expecting a mix of booster and school district funding. Hopefully a t-shirt cannon will be part of the funding request.

VI. New Business:

1. State Basketball: Shultis indicated that the boys basketball team qualified for the State Tournament in Bismarck, starting Thursday March 10th. With the basketball program's funds diminished largely due to inability to hold fundraising tournaments the past two years due to the pandemic, Shultis indicated the board may want to consider sponsoring a meal for the team.

After discussion, Steph Astrup moved to approve funding a meal for the basketball team up to \$500. Kevin Breitbach seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The board also discussed reimbursement of partial ticket costs for students attending the State tournament. Given the limited reimbursement requests last year from students, the consensus of the board was not to extend reimbursements this year.

The board also discussed consistency of reimbursement of meals among various State-qualifying North teams.

2. Boys/Girls Hockey: Shultis indicated receiving a request for a clock inside the locker room that would be synched to the main arena clock. Sun Electric indicated willingness to do the work, with the project approved by the Park District. The quote from Sun Electric is \$2500 for project competition.

The board discussed the possibility of seeking contribution from the Park District for this improvement. Shultis indicated he would be willing to follow up with the Park District on potential funding.

3. PE department: Shultis discussed a request on behalf of the North HS PE department, and pointed out that the department's ping pong tables are worn out and non-functioning. Shultis advised that a replacement table would cost approximately \$499. The tables are used in racquet sports classes, and are very old and worn out.

The board discussed purchasing various levels of tables. Miller moved to approve the purchase of four tables for up to \$2000 total. Debbie Breitbach seconded the motion. Motion passed.

4. Miscellaneous. Shultis indicated that staff brought in a School Resource Officer for the basketball doubleheader with South HS. The cost of \$171, was moved to approve by Tom Astrup, seconded by Debbie Breitbach. Motion carried.

The board discussed voting on new board members next month, with new board members starting in May.

Next Meeting - The next board meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 3, at 6:30 in room 102.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm, with a solitary, yet effective tap of President Wicks' gavel.