

Booster Board Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2024

6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Colleen and Gary Bailey; Keith Knoke; Jack Maughan; Jami Olson; DeAnn Bjornson; Blair Thoreson; Linn and Wade Webb; Justin Hanson; Amanda Kaldor

Members Absent: Shannon & Rob Gephart; Dan Kielty; Adam Kaldor; Jenaah Hanson; Kara & Andy Kalbus; Matt Olson; Tiffany Knoke; Brenda Maughan; Amanda and Mark Aslakson; Jennifer Thoreson

Others Present: Dan Shultis; Travis Christensen; Kristy (website person)

- I. **Call to Order:** President Gary Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
- II. **Secretary's Report:** A motion was made to approve June's secretary report previously emailed. DeAnn Bjornson moved to approve the minutes, Blair Thoreson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** DeAnn Bjornson moved to approve the treasurer's report and Blair Thoreson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- IV. **Committee Reports**

Hospitality and Spirit - Long sleeve pullovers for new members have been ordered.

Registration/Membership - Jami Olson reported new shirts are on order; We have 84 yard signs on hand, so a reduced number ordered this year; flags will be ordered in the future.

Advertising - nothing new at this time; will meet as a group prior to August meeting

Communication - nothing new at this time

Finance - Shannon Gephart emailed a treasury report.

V. Dates to Remember

- A. 2024-2025 Upcoming Board Meeting Dates
August 5, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m. (Monday)
- B. 2024-25 School Year Dates
August 7, 2024 - Upperclassman Orientation
August 12 - 14, 2024 - Freshman Orientation
September 15th - Booster Club Tailgating event
- VI. Old Business
No discussion
- VII. New Business
 - A. **STAFF LUNCH** Travis Christenson thanked the board and shared a proposal for \$2,000 to help fund a Panera Bread lunch for teachers on August 27th. Wade Webb made a motion to fund and Blair Thoreson seconded. Motion passed.

- B. **STAFF APPAREL** Previously, we've budgeted for a welcome ad in the Fargo Forum. Instead, Travis is asking to use those allotted funds to use towards staff apparel. \$400-500 Keith Knoke made a motion and DeAnn Bjornson seconded. Motion passed.
- C. **FRESHMAN SHIRTS** - In the past, \$1500 has been funded toward a freshman retreat. Instead, a freshman orientation now takes place and each freshman is given a WE ARE NORTH t-shirt. Travis is asking for continued funding. Blair Thoreson made a motion to approve funds and Wade Webb seconded. Motion passed. Unfortunately, no mention of a t-shirt cannon was asked for, in order to enthusiastically distribute the shirts.
- D. **BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT** Informing the board of a proposed Back to School night for Monday August 26th 4-7 p.m. It is an opportunity for parents and students to come to Fargo North and walk their schedules, etc. At this time, DeAnn Bjornson led a discussion of the need to review the mission of the Spartan Boosters. No action was reached.
- E. **ALL SCHOOL PICNIC** \$1,400 - Dan Shultis discussed. Blair Thoreson made a motion to fund and Jami Olson seconded. Motion passed.
- F. **SUPPORTING NATIONAL EVENTS** - Discussion regarding funding national events for FN students. In this case, Carson H. and his national golf opportunity. This opens up a can of worms so to speak as the challenge is once we fund one, how to sustain long term and fund all? No action taken at this time.
- G. **PROGRAMS/ROSTERS - DIGITAL** DeAnn Bjornson made a motion to move towards digital programs with a few printed on a needs basis and Wade Webb seconded.
- H. **WEBSITE** - Kristy, the website person, was on hand and discussed the following: use of website for fundraising of weight room (possible thermometer type graphic to track progress); offer QR codes instead of programs at events (no printed programs); upgraded sponsors and membership levels. Start sending Booster club minutes to Kristy.
- I. **RANGE BALLS/GIRLS GOLF** - Discussion for out of season range balls funding of \$250-300. No motion at this time.

Next meeting will be August 5, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned by President Bailey. Those who wanted to tour the weight room afterwards were welcome to join Dan Shultis.