

1/28/08 Booster Club meeting minutes

Members present: Sandy Schwartz, Dallas Turner, Jim Hite, Laura Powers, Leslie Montgomery, Lou Robertson-Pilcher, Karen Olson, Nancy Baliga, Marilyn White, Richard Jancek, Susan Nicholls, Roy Blumenshire, Lori the Librarian, Thomas Schiller, Maureen Hargrove, Melinda Alekna, Steve Mrizek, Pat Liddell, Stephanie Whittington, Carol Kloppman

Minutes were approved.

Laura Powers presented cash balances and estimated expenses (concession payout, Market Day payout, banquet, scholarships, spring sports pictures, etc. for a total of \$7300). All bank accounts will fall under one bank resolution. All signature cards have been updated. Treasurer's report was approved.

Principal's Report: Picked up new sign for weight room. Has put in a work order to have our crew to install it. 60 seniors failed English 12. Working on helping these students. Students found in hallway skipping classes will be fined \$100 under city law. Black history month is coming up. As far as cuts go, sounds like the district wants to do away with ALE. We may lose 2 assistant principals and ALE. Our school has the widest diversity of students in the district, so we need these administrators and ALE. District is still talking of minimum class of 18. If a student in the gifted program drops or fails Academy classes (not on track to get seal), that student may have to fall under the residency rules and may not be able to stay at Auburn. This only affects class of 2011 and after. Parents are encouraged to call their local school district representative regarding these issues. A work order needs to be put in to repair gate at concession. Another work order was put in to repair the concession sink. Band director chooses 5 basketball games to have band perform. We don't have cheerleaders because no one applied to direct the cheerleaders. We need to do better at communicating game time changes, especially the people running concessions. Diane Peterson is trying to raise money to replace our football scoreboard that is not working.

AD report: girl's bowling came in 2<sup>nd</sup> in the conference. Boys basketball is ranked 22<sup>nd</sup> in state.

Requests for funds:

Lori the librarian—set of biographical encyclopedias for main campus \$500

Freshman campus library—is dated and needs approx. \$1000. This request will have to be resubmitted.

Band—requesting \$640 for 2 students to go to state

JROTC—requesting \$500 for rifle team to go to Western Regionals in Colorado (4 varsity shooters)

Kathy Adkins—requesting funds for a printer that can print posters and bumper stickers and/or an awards maker. Special needs students would make the awards. It would cost \$4/plaque for the materials. Would there be a maintenance contract? How much would ink cost? Are there lease options?

Dallas Turner—requested (10) scales for physics classroom, total cost of \$699.50. He needs at least 4.

Dallas Turner—requested \$778.21 for retrieval pole, table and tent for the rocket team. Team will do a Culver's night to raise funds. Woodward is a sponsor for the team. There will be no contribution from Jefferson. Equipment could not be brought over from Jefferson, so new equipment has to be purchased.

Steve Mrizek—requested \$2000-\$4000 for a baseball scoreboard. The program serves 40 students, 45 games per year. Baseball does a lot of fundraising.

Softball coach requested \$2500 towards a softball field. The team needs a home field due to players missing 6<sup>th</sup> hr classes. (There is a 35 min. bus ride to the Harlem Community Center fields they have been using). Bill Lavery has the request form.

Used Book Fair:

Please donate gently used books. (No textbooks). Library is open until 4:40 Thursdays. Dates for book fair are 3/6 and 3/11, which is the same time as parent/teacher conferences.

Web site:

United Web Group is our new host for the web site. Contact name is John Vermie, phone number is 815-540-7744, email [jvermie@gmail.com](mailto:jvermie@gmail.com).

Fund raising opportunities:

Market Day is doing pretty well. Dallas Turner has other sources for ink cartridge/cell phone fund raiser.

Membership: There will be 600 incoming freshman.

Buttons: We are going back to the old photographer, so we can sell buttons again next year.

School Dance: Scheduled for April 4, but may be changed to April 5. If it can't be changed to a Sat. night, we will not have the dance.

Spiritwear: Needs help at PT conferences on 3/6 and 3/11 and for freshman orientation on 3/18 and 3/19.

Peppermint Ball: Is now called Spring Fling. Need help with concessions.

Maureen moved that we release the balance left in the weight room account to the general account. Lockers are needed for the weight room. Seconded and approved. Laura Powers will check on the minimum balance for the present account, and decide whether or not to close it.

New Board Members: Need a treasurer for next year. We will vote in new board members and officers during our April meeting.

Requests for funds:

Approved \$640 for band members to go down state.

Approved \$500 and 5 shirts for JROTC to go to Colorado.

Approved \$1000 for freshman library and \$500 for main library.

Approved \$560 for physics (8 scales).

Poster maker/award maker request was tabled, as more information is needed.

Approved \$778 for rocket team equipment (Laura abstained).

Approved \$2000 for baseball scoreboard.

Approved \$2300 for softball diamond.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10.