

# Rush Henrietta Sports Booster Club

Meeting Minutes - Liaison Meeting

Monday, October 2, 2023

Girls Soccer	Shannon Roberts, Michelle Wood, Megan Potwin	x	Cheer	Lisa Bianchi	x	Girls Basketball	Carrie Giambra	
Boys Swimming	Tracy Peters		Boys Soccer	Craig Proctor		Softball	Devin Minitello	x
Boys Swimming	Sharon Merkl		Girls Tennis	Amy Cassidy		Exec. Board Co President	*Kristen Koppers	x
Girls Swimming/BOE Representative	Suzanne Bennett	x	Wrestling/ Football	Kristen Koppers	x	Exec. Board Co President	*Pam Taylor	x
Hockey	Jennifer Wright		Wrestling	Pam Taylor	x	Exec. Board Secretary	*Megan Potwin	x
Hockey	Jenn Flannery		Boys Volleyball	Dan Cronise	x	Exec Board Team Treasurer	*Lisa Bianchi	x
Boys Lax	Carm Schmitz	x	Boys Volleyball/ Baseball	Joanne Macek		Exec Board Ops Treasurer	Kellie Mainville	
Girls Lax	Amy Rowe	x	Girls Volleyball	Erin Vanstrom	x	Athletic Director	Tom Stewart	x
Boys Golf	Amy Cote		Gymnastics	April Buttacio	x	AD Secretary	Karen Marchand	x
X-Country/Track	Shannon Rynkiewicz		Girls Golf	Lisa Hartel		BOE Representative	Jennifer Laird	
X-Country/Track	Jeannine Picard		Boys Tennis	Melissa Holahan		BOE Representative	Scott Adair	
X-Country/Track	Laura Smith		Bowling	Melissa & Craig Barber				
Cheer	Tracy Pearce		Boys Basketball	Carol Buonaugurio	x			

\* Indicates Liaison & Board Member

**Welcome & Introduction** Meeting began at 7:00pm

**Meeting Minutes:** Sept 2023 meeting minutes- April motioned to approve, Amy 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved

## **Treasurers' Report – Lisa Bianchi**

- Sports Boosters now has Venmo: @rhsportsboosters; Venmo charges 2.5% fee - keep in mind for sales
- QR code available for scanning during apparel sales/team concessions days; easy donation option from RH Website.
- Account is one general account; specific teams must put their team into memo area so Lisa can transfer to individual team accounts.
- Teams use SportsBooster Venmo as they see fit, it is available for single use or lump sum to be added after team sales.

## **Athletic Directors Report – Tom Stewart**

- 10/02 RH hosting Fairport vs UPrep football game due to sinkhole in UPrep's field

- Been working on moving around home games for HOCO; Boys Soccer & Volly are away. Attempting to change start times so they can get back to HS in time to enjoy HOCO festivities
- Entrance to Stadium will be closed after Homecoming
  - Concessions will be open for Homecoming game; will be closed rest of season
  - Driveway & Concessions building will be torn out
- New Concession building to be completed by Winter
- Temporary entrance to the stadium will be determined.
- Fall Sports that are doing well:
  - Girls Tennis
  - Girls Cross Country
  - Girls Golf
  - Gymnastics

#### **Board of Education Report – Suzanne Bennett**

- Dr. Mullins' Strategic Plan underway, timeline set to start November 1st
- Implemented increase in pay for district employees; incentive for employees to stay/attract new employees
- Annual Audit
  - Financially healthy district
  - Lunch fund balance exceeds expenditures
  - inventory of assets; ie chromebooks
  - Can view Annual Audit on RH Website
- Alumni donated vintage RH letter jacket to Dr. Mullens; she will be wearing it to Homecoming

#### **Old Business**

- Fundraising Form is on website
  - Is sent to Karen, who sends up to Superintendent
  - Takes 30 days for approval, anything sooner than the 4 week timeframe will not be approved
  - The Coach or person from district needs to sign for fundraising
  - Coach and Liaison signatures are needed for reimbursement, deposits and withdrawals
    - These are sent to sports booster treasurer; takes up to 10 days
- Social Media Athletics Sharing - Pam
  - Athletics is only on Twitter platform, may consider Instagram in future
  - Sport Boosters is on Facebook
  - If a team wants something shared/highlighted please let Pam know and send what you would like shared.
  - Posts in private Facebook groups are not shareable; esp if a person is not a member of that group.
    - Can change group private settings to make shareable or create a public page for your team
    - Any team can have their individual pages
- Still in need of Liaisons for: Girls Basketball, Girls Volleyball, Hockey
- Feedback Surveys sent out to coaches and liaisons
  - Some responses were in the middle; needed some guidance
  - Will be resent out via email as not many responses came back
- Looking for a Concessions Chairperson to oversee inventory, etc
  - Concessions will be ready for winter sports
- Apparel set for sale by 10/04 & 10/07; new apparel arriving on 10/03
  - Teams can sell for an hour at Homecoming; can earn up to \$100 for their account
  - Still in the process of researching online store options
    - Adding personalization & generic RH logo
    - Graphics decided by student athlete body

#### **New Business**

- Council of Student Athletes
  - Appointing 2-3 athletes per team
    - Nominated by coaches
    - if/when approved (hopeful by 10/4) to be started immediately with planning
- Council to meet during 5th Block (if free) to help set up for concessions/senior events, etc
- Creating a marriage between Sports Boosters and Student Athletes, allowing them to have a say in certain decisions ie

- varsity jackets and new logos
- Varsity Jackets - Starting around \$199
  - Includes patches, logos
  - Cost to increase depending on personalization
  - Want to choose something student athletes will like and wear; possibly a black jacket and find patches to match, we want their opinions
- Would like to get student council involved with council of athletes - create a crossover to help represent each student body class
  - Attend sport booster meetings
- Carol Mancari Fund is still a go
  - Using 99Pledges as a donation option
- Fundraising Suggestion: Sponsor a Day, Month Calendar
  - Number of the day translates into the dollar amount for each donation
    - i.e . the 3rd would be \$3.00
  - Each Athlete would choose a calendar month,
    - each donator picks their day(s)
    - easy \$465 earned for team in a 30 day calendar

#### **Open Discussion**

- No longer need a food certification to sell pizza at concessions
- Clothing Shed was moved Mid-September
  - All in agreement that it is in a much better spot
  - Softball is signed up for October
  - Rest of the '23 year has been filled
  - Each team received \$150 towards their account that month
  - 2024 signup will be available soon

**Motion to Close:** Amy 1st, Erin 2nd

**Meeting adjourned:** 7:45pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Megan Potwin

#### **Booster Club Meetings 2023-2024:**

September 11, 2023

October 2, 2023

November 6, 2023

December 4, 2023

January 8, 2024

February 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

April 15, 2024

May 6, 2024

June 3, 2024