

Parkwood Athletic Booster Club  
General Meeting Date – 9/27/2016  
Meeting Location – Parkwood Middle School

**Present** – See attached sign-in sheet.

**1. Call to order** – The meeting was called to order by Tim at 7:13pm.

**2. Officers - President – Tim Hardy**

- \*Tim stated that the Booster Club had received 100 new memberships last month.
- \*Fall sports pictures went well and there will also be pictures for the winter and spring sports.
- \*October 15<sup>th</sup> is the midget football homecoming.
- \*October 14<sup>th</sup> is homecoming for the high school and is also the athletic BBQ fundraiser. Tim stated that there are specific areas to sign up and they can be found on the web site. The athletes are in the process of selling tickets, but walk-ups are welcome as well as business and school orders.
- \*Fundraisers are listed on the web site. The Yeti style cups provide a 40% return to us. The deadline is October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- \*Tim mentioned the fundraiser on November 9<sup>th</sup> with Buffalo Wild Wings.

**Vice-President – Chad Griffin**

**3. Administrators – Carole Alley – High School  
Jeff Kraftson – Middle School**

**4. Met with parents –**

- \***Lacrosse** - A parent asked about the results of the lacrosse interest meeting. Tim explained that lacrosse would be a club sport if started. It is something as a Booster Club that we need to discuss and determine if we can fund the sport. After a couple of years, it could possibly become a NCHSAA sanctioned sport. Connie Best has been working on getting some numbers together for a budget and will be fine tuning it. Nelson said that there were 17 boys and 12 girls that have turned in the half payment as a deposit to show their interest. He also stated that there is a gap between the fees and the start up costs and the Booster Club is trying to determine if it can be funded. It was asked if there was no Parkwood team, could the players interested play with other schools that have teams. Nelson said that for middle school, yes, but for high school, no. He did say that since it would be a club sport that we could pair up with schools that do not have teams. He added that it would be a spring sport and a small program so the teams would be JV teams. They would schedule with other JV teams in Union and Mecklenburg Counties. Chad said that if anyone in the lacrosse interest group knew of any businesses that would be willing to donate, that they should reach out to them.

He also stated that we have a substantial need with high school track because we haven't had a meet in over 10 years because of the condition of the track. Since it has been resurfaced, we have to get the necessary equipment needed to hold the conference and county meets. A parent asked what the fee covered. She said that everyone should have their own pads and sticks. She also stated that the helmets do need to be certified. Paul Ryan mentioned that there are different quality levels in pads and that they would want to make sure that everyone had quality equipment. Nelson said that the referees, field maintenance, coach's stipend are all items that the fee would help to cover. He added that when people pay \$350 they will want to know why they have to purchase their own equipment. One parent stated that if parents are told that the fees are used to cover "x", then parents will understand why they are paying for pads. Nelson mentioned that since it is a club sport, a Go Fund Me account could be set up.

**\*Football** – Stephanie Davis asked about a breakaway banner for the football program. She was asked to get pricing and present it to the Booster Club.

**\*Wrestling** - A wrestling meeting will be held October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the middle school cafeteria for 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

**5. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.