

## MINUTES OF THE ORRVILLE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

Held February 8, 2016

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**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Mike Hamsher, Jarrod Brown, Theresa Conway, Karen Flinner  
**OFFICER EXCUSED:** Jarrod Brown  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Kent Smith, Tim Adams, Doug Davault, Brent Steiner, Sly Slaughter, Lyndsey Nettleton

President Mike Hamsher called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 pm with officers, staff, and 7 members in attendance.

Hamsher offered thanks to Karen Flinner and Theresa Conway for their work in the concession stands and as officers.

The minutes of the January 11, 2016, Booster Club meeting were approved as submitted.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Checking account balance:	\$64,306.15
Savings account (turf) balance:	97,339.68
Accounts payable:	1,385.93
Petty Cash:	645.00
Unencumbered balance:	44,099.09

There is a balance of \$13,012.46 remaining in the coach budgets, with \$11,385.54 spent to date.

Thank you to McCoy Insurance Agency for their \$200 donation to be split between the girls basketball and volleyball teams.

The treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

### **Old Business**

Melissa Contini gave her final report on the January 22 raffle. The winners were as follows: Car-Ron Birkbeck, TV-Lorena Troyer, Recliner-Lori Ayers, and Season Passes-Karen Mosley. There was a total of \$14,260 in sales. Payment to the middle school was in the amount of \$1,985. Our total net profit was \$12,275 (up \$2,305 from last year). Serpentine Chevrolet complimented Melissa on her hard work during this fundraiser. Thank you Melissa!

There is no new update regarding the PAC league change.

Please continue to use the [www.goredriders.org](http://www.goredriders.org) website for updated sports information and dates.

Please consider using AmazonSmile when making purchases on-line. Amazon now donates 0.5% of the price of any eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the Orrville Athletic Booster Club when you shop at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/34-6734859>. This is an easy way for the Booster Club to raise money for our student athletes.

### **New Business**

Upcoming senior nights are as follows:

February 10 – Wrestling  
February 11 – Girls Basketball  
February 12 – Boys Basketball, Cheerleading & Gymnastics

A revised concession stand work schedule is available for the upcoming girls basketball tournament games and AAU games in the spring.

We need high school and middle school track parents to volunteer to work the concession stand during spring track meets. The first home meet is scheduled for April 7th. Mike Hamsher and Jarrod Brown will be in charge.

Kent Smith reported that the varsity football team is in need of new uniform tops. The existing tops are thick and tend to get heavy when wet, and the new tops would be a light weight material. Another benefit is that the freshman team does not have a white uniform. The old uniforms can be passed down to the freshman football team so that they have both white and red uniforms. In a typical year, the athletic department replaces 6 to 10 uniforms either to wear and tear, or if seniors buy their jerseys. The total cost of two sets of white and red uniforms (60 tops) is \$8,310.00. The athletic department has also received a \$3,000 donation for the new uniforms. Kent moved and Theresa Conway seconded that the Booster Club pay half of the remaining cost in the amount of \$2,655.00. The athletic department will pay the remaining \$2,655.00. Motion carried.

### **AD Report**

Kent Smith requested that coaches filter any special requests for the Booster Club through the athletic director and through the executive board of the Booster Club prior to presenting for a vote.

Bob Shonk was recognized at the boys basketball game on February 6 for his many years of service to the school system. He was very touched by the occasion and expressed his thanks. A tree will be purchased by the Booster Club for planting on the school campus in Bob's honor.

Baseball and softball mandatory practice will start on February 22. Track and boys tennis mandatory practice will start on March 7.

Spring sports picture day has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 2016.

The boys and girls basketball tournament brackets are out. The girls will play Black River on February 17 at 7 pm, and then Waynedale on February 20 at 2 pm at Orrville High School. The boys will play Smithville on February 23 at 7 pm at Smithville High School, and then Waynedale on February 26 at 7 pm at Waynedale High School.

### **Coaches Reports**

**Boys Basketball:** Coach Slaughter reported that grade 3-6 youth program is currently being played at the Gault Center in Wooster. All teams are doing well and coaches are very pleased with the kids. There appears to be good players coming up in the future.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys finished their season with a 9-7 record. They won their first tournament game against West Holmes, but lost to Clear Fork in the second round. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys finished their season with a 1-15 record, and lost to Mansfield in the first round of the tournament. They never seemed able to get on track, but there is talent there for the future.

The freshman team has their last regular game of the season this week vs. Madison. They only have two wins, but are playing hard with a good group of kids. Quite a few of the freshman boys have been pulled up to play JV and varsity. The varsity team currently has a record of 5-14. They are getting better every day and have their last regular season home game on February 12. Senior Luke Smith reached his 1000 career point on February 5 vs. Clear Fork. By the end of the year, Luke will also end up being the 3<sup>rd</sup> leading rebounder in Orrville history behind Marcell Denson and Zach Wasson. Coach Slaughter was very happy for Luke and his entire family for these great accomplishments.

**Girls Basketball:** Coach Lyndsey Nettleton reported that the 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls finished their season with an 11-7 record, and lost in the second round of tournament play to West Holmes. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls finished their season with a 12-7 record, and finished as runners-up when they lost to West Holmes in the OCC championship game.

The freshman girls went 4-0 on their season. The JV teams record is currently 17-3 with a final home game this Thursday, February 11, vs. Madison. The varsity team currently has a record of 18-2 with the final season games to be completed this week and bracket play to start on February 17 at home. There are eight seniors graduating this year.

**Cheerleading:** No report.

**Gymnastics:** Kent Smith reported that both Jessica Eby and Kelsey Shrader are doing fantastic in gymnastics. They are competing with the Wooster High School gymnastic team, who welcomed them and made them part of the team.

**Swimming:** Kent Smith reported on behalf of Coach Mark Auble. The regular season was finished last week. Girls finished 13-2 on the season with the only losses to the strong programs of Wooster and Dover. Girls are hoping to finish in the top three of sectionals and will have a good shot at sending some swimmers to State. The swim team will be graduating only one senior, Sarah Auble, so we expect another good season next year.

The boys finished 9-5 on the season. We hope to get several boys and a couple of relays out to districts with a shot at one or two of them making it to State. This is a young group with only freshmen and sophomores, so we expect big things from them in the next couple of years.

**Wrestling:** Coach Brent Steiner reported that the youth in grades K-4 qualified for districts, and there is a lot of talent to look forward to in the future. The middle school wrestling team finished their season as runners-up to West Holmes in the OCC. Coach Brad Strausbaugh is stepping down as the middle school wrestling coach. The varsity wrestlers had an outstanding night in defeating Wooster 37-18. Orrville got to keep the giant sledge "Hammer" for the next year as a symbol of being victorious. The varsity team finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place overall at the OCC wrestling tournament. They might have finished as high as 4<sup>th</sup> place if its top two scorers, Sam Auble and Jacob Zimmerman, had been able to participate. Jacob Zimmerman also got his 100<sup>th</sup> career win this season. The sectional is scheduled for February 20 starting at 9:30 am at Northwestern High School.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 14, 2016, at 7:30 pm in the high school library. All Booster Club members are invited to attend and participate.

Meeting adjourned.