

# Mason HS Boys Lacrosse Booster Meeting

Monday February 2, 2015

**In Attendance:** Jeff Gaus, Michelle Beach, Kim Laws, Lori Parsons, Kelly Mather, Kathy McGowan, Mike Krell, Leigh Ann Rieth, Kim Wahlund, Sharon O'Shaughnessey, Pam and Scott Puckett, Matt Fedders, Lanette Szymkowitz, Lisa Dennehy, Linda O'Grady, Kathy McGowan, Mike Krell, Rachel Harrison, Brenda and Jon Allen

**Call To Order:** Jeff Gaus

**December Minutes approved** (January meeting was cancelled)

**Treasurers Report:** Kims Laws and Lori Parsons

Nothing to report.

Current account balance in Wesbanco account and School Account is \$9,623.67.

**MABA:**

No audit information.

## **Fundraising:**

**Lacrosse 101:** Leigh Ann Rieth

Much behind the scenes planning by many members of both the High School Booster parents as well as the Youth booster parents to make this event a success. It has been divided into two nights, February 10th is the Coach's Clinic and February 12th for the Youth Skills Program. Registration is going well for the Youth Program (55 players registered) but not many have signed up for the Coach's Clinic (Decision was made to cancel the Coach's Clinic). Thus far no money has been spent as Leigh Ann has gotten everything donated- Signs: Mike Krell, Baskets: Booster Parents, Wall 2 Wall time is being gifted by the Youth Booster Organization, lots of donations from local business's (Play it Again Sports, Velocity, Celtic, Resolute, Pizza Coupons) for the basket raffle! Please spread the word about this fun event to neighbors/friends.

The idea of moving the event to the Fall next year to coincide with Lacrosse registration may draw more interest.

**LaRosas Cards:** (these will take the place of Comet Cards) **Fundraising Goal: \$3,000-\$4,000**

Once the teams have been named we will roll out the program in which each "PLAYER" will sell at least 10 LaRosa's cards at \$10.00 each (we profit \$5.00 per card sold). Squads will work together at assigned LaRosa's Stores and/or Kroger stores to accomplish the goal. Players that would like to sell them before season starts are welcome to do so and should contact Jerry O'Grady at [Jerry.OGrady@clariant.com](mailto:Jerry.OGrady@clariant.com). Selling before the season is completely optional!!

**Corporate Sponsorship:** Jon Allen has been working on securing monetary gifts from local businesses and has created a form letter that he will share with booster members via the website. It's a matter of going into a local business or the company you work for and asking! Let companies know that we are a not for profit organization that seek donations for equipment or programs the school does not supply. At this point Jon has found \$1,500.00 in corporate sponsorship. We will have Jon talk about it at the "Meet the Team Night".

Jon is also in the process of getting Mercy Health Systems to donate defibrillators and first aid kits to each youth grade level.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**By-Laws:** By-Laws have been revised to fit our organizations needs. Revised By-Laws have been posted on the website for all members to review and are welcome to make any suggestions/changes before they are adopted in February.

**Suggested Revisions to the By-Laws:** 1) *Define Membership:* It should read-Each players family gets one vote. If you have two players you get two votes per family. 2) *Odd Number of Board Members:* We need to add a voted on board position to five members in the event there is a tie. This board position will be called "Member At Large" with voting rights and will oversee Marketing/Fundraising. 3) *Officers:* Two members of a family shall not hold board positions at same time (family is defined as married parents/divorced parents/step-parents of same child). 4) *Dual Board Positions:* In the case that the booster organization cannot fill a board position and one board member must take on two positions out of necessity, the President and Treasurer positions cannot be combined as they are key positions and must be kept separate. 5) *Board Member Mid-Term Vacancy:* President shall appoint a replacement, but board members must vote approval. 5) *Treasurer/Financials:* Treasurer shall have the monthly Bank Statement available confirming reported balance. 6) "Bonded" through MABA should be in the document?

**Helmets:** All helmets are good to go.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Team Dinner:** Lisa Dennehy/Lynette Szymkowitz/Pam Puckett/Domonique Schweitert 7 Team Dinners for JV/V teams are being organized for designated Mondays after practice. The committee has been canvassing the community for donations to supplement the meals. Based on the number of players and coaches they estimate they will need \$2,600.00 to cover costs. A vote was taken to have the boosters fund the dinners and approved.

**Updated Monthly Budget/Fundraising:** Kim Laws will come up with a document that lists current Fundraising Goals/Earnings/Spending on a monthly basis so we all know how we are doing.

## **Equipment Inspection/Inventory:**

We have 8 player bags that need to be replaced now and 8 that will need to be replaced soon, 21 warm-up jackets that are missing, 17 warm-up pants that are missing, 4 uniform parts that are missing (either Shirts or Shorts). Lori has looked into costs of replacing the bags and warm-up suits (\$79 jackets/\$45 pants to replace) and we will make a decision over the next week as to how to proceed. We may opt to replace half of the warm ups this year and the other half next year, but we need to look at our funds to make this decision. Lori will send an email to all lacrosse families in hopes of recovering some of the items.

## **BOARD MEMBER VACANCIES!!**

Three Board Positions are vacating this year: President, Secretary and Member at Large (new position) to be voted on in March. Please email [kellymather62@gmail.com](mailto:kellymather62@gmail.com) if interested. This is your chance to have a positive impact on our program with fresh ideas and contribute to making the Mason High School Lacrosse Program the best in the Mid-West!!!

## **Next Board Meeting: Monday March 2, 2015 @ 7:00**

Team Meeting Room F110 in the back of the High School, near the Athletic office entrance.