

CANANDAIGUA GIRLS LACROSSE BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

DATE: November 3, 2015

LOCATION: Canandaigua Academy, Room 135

Attended the meeting: Coach Ellis, Julie Braniecki, David Nieman, Christina Kenyon, Margaret Carr, Jackie Lyttle, Fran Peltier, Laure Blazey, Shari Reals, Tom & Jennifer Reho and Brooke Lupton.

Meeting started at 6:30 PM

AGENDA ITEMS:

Welcome & New Item: Julie said she had received a request from the youth secretary to purchase tents for the tournaments. The cost would be approximately \$750-\$800 each and would have the Canandaigua logo. Julie said she spoke to Coach Ellis and Gardner and they agreed it was a good idea. David Nieman and everyone at the meeting agreed that we should get further pricing and details on size and if they would have sides in case of rain. Depending on the costs, etc. it was agreed that 2 or 3 tents would be purchased and used for all Canandaigua Teams. It will not only keep the girls out of the weather but will look professional for Canandaigua to have the tents.

Boo Ball Fundraiser, Shari Reals:

Shari provided the details of the money raised from this fundraiser. Even though the attendance was down from last year, it still was a good fundraiser being that the costs to have it are so low. Last year the Gross Profit was \$4,898 and this year it was \$2,607. Centerpointe is great to work with and only charged for the food consumed not on how many we thought would attend, therefore, the payment to them was only \$325.00 this year. After the costs taken out, the net profit to the girls program was \$1,475 and the net to the JV/Varsity Trip was \$1,132! Shari said even though her daughter is graduating this year she would be available to help someone else take this over next year. At the meeting people suggested some changes for this event next year to help with better attendance. A few people thought that maybe we should go back to sending 4 tickets home with the Varsity girls to give to their parents to sell. If unable to sell all of them they can be returned back, this may help with feeling more involved vs. just inviting through emails. Another suggestion was to change the weekend date which will be considered next year in consideration of all the tournaments, but would still be in October. Another suggestion is to remove the mention of the costumes because no one really participates in the costume contest and it may be stopping some people from going because they don't like to dress up. There were only two families who requested babysitting so not sure what could be done next year. In order to get more youth parents, one idea was to have the Varsity girls have a Halloween Party for the kids at the school. We would need an adult (employee) to chaperone the event. Each family would bring a couple bags of candy to participate. To help the youth parents become more invested in this event it's important for them to know the real dollar amounts that are given to the girls youth program

not just for Varsity. Therefore, at the beginning of the season David Nieman said he would make that part of his presentation.

Treasurers Report: Gardner wasn't able to attend the meeting but let Julie know that he needs a list of all the players who have registered/paid for the MCC League. Jackie said she will send the Youth budget by email for approval after the meeting. The goal she said for next year is a target of \$2,000 through registration money. Margaret will give Sue a list of the modified youth who registered/paid and played and she will make sure everyone who attended had registered and paid. If not paid, Gardner will contact the parent about payment. Sue suggested that every time we have a Registration it should always say that financial scholarships are available upon request.

Upcoming Events: Julie: The Varsity Bottle and Can Drive had to be changed to Saturday, November 21, from 9AM-12PM. The girls will distribute the flyers that will be sent by email tomorrow. On that same day, we will have the babysitting fundraiser at the Academy with the Varsity Girls. Lisa Young had suggested that we have the girls make a video and they will play it at the Primary/Elementary Announcements. Also, Jennifer Reho will check with Andy Thomas to see if can have this fundraiser On the Canandaigua Schools Website (they post an ad for CA Idol every year).

Youth Lacrosse: David Nieman: He said had a great Fall with the girls at the tournaments. The girls were competitive even against travel teams.

In regards to the uniforms he is working on getting the samples and will determine the cost. Theresa Topskey from Topskey Apparel is working with David on samples and costs, etc. The youth will be encouraged to buy the grey skort from the store but the uniform top will be included in their registration cost. The registration cost last year was \$75 per girls but will be \$110 this year for grades 3-6 (with uniform). The 3/1 had fun but Fran feels too many girls for one Team (24 girls) really need to consider two teams next year. In the spring since there are always more girls who play they will need to split girls into three teams. To help with coaching it was suggested to have some post college girls help with the teams. The buyout for fundraising needs to be decided. Kathy will speak with Gardner to get an idea of what needs to be raised from each player and then give a proposal at the next meeting.

Merchandise: Brooke: She placed the warrior order and the store will open this Thursday, November 5-November 15, 2015. There is a lot of new and old styles to order so let the youth know that they can order the skorts now so will have in time for the season. The booster club will purchase 10 extra skorts to have for new girls starting in the spring. This is in place of the Holiday Sale because it wasn't successful for us last year so won't be participating this year. The store will be open for 10 days and then the items will be in on and ready for pick up on Saturday, December 12 from 10AM-12PM. The store won't be open again until the Spring. At the girls lacrosse opener we can have girls model some items to sell.

Coach Ellis:

The 7/8 grade Modified Team has one more tournament this weekend at the Stars and Stripes. The girls Varsity played at the Goblin Games last weekend and won the Championship. By the time Sue realized that most girls could make the Stars and Stripes it was too late to register the team. The Varsity girls started at MCC last weekend and the JV will start next Sunday in Brighton. She is looking into field house time at Hobart this winter.

The trip to play the Guilderland Team will begin on March 31 and the JV will play at 2 and the Varsity at 4PM. The plan will be to stay overnight and maybe play Corning the following day. Since our Varsity beat them at the Goblin Games last weekend they are anxious to play us again. It seems out of the way to go to Corning so maybe can have them meet us in the Syracuse Area. All the paperwork necessary has been presented to Jim Simmons for the Board and Sue assumes it's all okay because there weren't any requests for more information. Michele Smith and Julie are pricing out the costs of the buses and will let us know at a later date.

Dates for first Babysitting Fundraiser: Saturday, November 21, 2015. Coach Ellis will check availability of the school.

Bottle and Can Drive: Saturday, November 21, 2015

Next Booster Meeting: Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 6:30PM at the Academy, Room 135.