

Huskie Booster Club Minutes – February 1, 2017

Welcome and Introduction

At approximately 7:05 pm Marc Mosher, co-President, called to order the meeting at the Staff Cafeteria on the second floor of Oak Park River Forest High School.

Minutes

The minutes of the December 7, 2016 Regular meeting minutes were approved by voice vote, without objection, upon motion by Marc Mosher and second by Vic Vanek. HBC did not convene a January 2017 meeting.

DISCUSSIONS

OPRF Activities – Regina Topf

- Big event for the incoming freshman
 - o Activities planned
 - o Condensed event
- Japan Event this weekend
- Spoken Word is upcoming
- Empty Bowls is same night as the Booster Bash
 - o Fundraiser for Oak Park Food Pantry
 - o 1000 bowls
 - o Usual make \$10K
- Student Council/other groups – making a spring event for the students
 - o April will be Charity month – numerous ways to provide service
 - o Abundant of activities in support for service
- Drill Team in Nationals this weekend – sendoff occurs this weekend
- Next a discussion of Ms. Topf leading the activities at the Basketball game in December versus Fenwick
 - o Invested time and efforts
 - o Busses were organized
 - o Had tons of pre-game activities before the game
 - o Student generated leadership

OPRF Administration – Chris Thieme

- A brief update was presented by Mr. Thieme with the full Administration report attached as Addendum A
- Willing to help with technology need for Booster Bash
- Discussed school-wide password reset
 - o They are giving students until Feb 15 to reset
 - o Prepared to help as many kids as necessary
 - o Everyone has been very supportive of staff regarding this issue

OPRF Athletics - John Stelzer

No report

D200 School Board - Fred Arkin

- District has approved and signed contract with new Superintendent

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- Superintendent has started a Listening Tour to get feedback and information from the OP and RF communities
 - Questions and Answer sessions
 - It's her personal desire to find out more information
- Response to Referendum
 - Seeking direct community input
 - Asked approximately 9 people to serve on a Launch Committee
 - They are going to put together process for getting larger committee together
 - Bigger Community Engagement Committee – approximately 25 people
 - They are to drive the process of how to move forward to a longer-term plan

Huskie Booster Club Treasurers – Mary Matticks/Fred Brandstrader

- Membership is doing very well versus budget
- Merchandise Sales
 - Recent numbers are to be sought
 - Including sales at Christmas Sale and Online sales
- Appropriations checks have not yet been issued which is why excess money is shown on bottom line
 - Some charges are expected soon
- P&L was presented
- Balance Sheet:
 - Satellite account detail is incorporated
 - New Satellite policy mandates that all participating parties reduce their budget
 - \$1500 limit Year over Year

Huskie Booster Club Communications – Carolyn Schiffner

- Appropriations photos and promos needed
- Spring Social – Booster Bash
 - Ticket sales online now
 - Announcements are being made
 - Freshman night is going to be another opportunity for awareness
 - Tell as many people as possible
 - Make sure to invite Staff and Admin
 - May be looking to provide information to District 97 and 90
 - Digital Backpacks

Huskie Booster Club Appropriations – Eric Neville

No report at this time

Performing Arts – Tisha Swihart

- Jazz ensemble took 3rd at national event at Purdue University
- Speech team performing very well
- Mary Poppins is rehearsing
- Theater 200

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- Romantic comedy
- Crossing Austin Blvd
 - Reaching out to many who have not performed
- Next Applause meeting
 - Focusing on students that want to perform in college
- New Applause scholarship for student continuing education in performing arts

Huskie Booster Club Memberships – Vic Vanek

- Incoming Freshman Night - contacting for a table for 8th Grade night/incoming Freshman night
 - Locating very near Tammy and her sales
 - Get name and emails from parents
 - Market Spring Social at the table
 - This is work that lays foundation for next year
- Membership Fees
 - Prospective increase
 - Talk about at April meeting
 - Vote on it in May

Next Meetings Discussions – Wayne Franklin

- Hambingo at Hamburger Mary's
- Tuesday April 4th 8 pm at
- Brief meeting prior
- Bingo cards are \$15 for 3 cards to play for 10 sets of games
 - Possibly \$15 in advance sales or \$20 at the door
- Swag from Tammy
- Max of 75 people
- More discussion at March meeting

Huskie Booster Club Social Committee – Jill and John Dortch & Mary Anne Montgomery

- Huskie Booster Bash
 - So far 39 bottles of wine donated
 - Get as many as possible
 - Make sure to ask for as many donations as possible
 - ViVino app is used to value the bottles of wine
 - Mary Anne is now signed up with Greater Giving
 - So far balance is \$1 600 collected
 - Represents approx. 25 attendees so far since Monday
 - So far school has not it on the school calendar
 - Coach JP to ask Regina Topf to get in on the site
 - Get more advertising on the School sites
 - Chris Thieme to seek Karen Sullivan's help in getting it on the school calendars
 - Starship is to cater
 - "New Normal" is band
 - Ticket Sales covers costs – need approx 200 to breakeven
 - Everything else is the fundraising aspect
 - Sign up Genius to be discussed with Dana

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- School is to provide technology needs for the event
- Booster Ball
 - 19th Century Club needs a contract
 - To reserve date
 - November 18th at the 19th Century Club

Huskie Booster Club Volunteer Report – Dana Connell

No report at this time

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN

At 8:26 pm the meeting was unanimously adjourned upon motion by Vic Vanek with second from Eric Neville

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Addendum A

OPRF Administration Report for Boosters December 2016

Upcoming Dates

Committee of the whole meeting and Special Meeting -- Tuesday, February 14

6:30 p.m. Board Room

Regular Board meeting-- Thursday, February 23

Board Room, open session begins at 7:30 p.m.

Superintendent's Listening Tour

The first session was held on Mon., Jan. 23, at 6:00 p.m. at Beye Elementary School. Attendees shared their thoughts on what OPRF is doing well and what are the opportunities to do better. At the end of the session, participants received a "commitment card" (see attachment), on which they'll be asked to write down one way they will commit to OPRF. They took the cards home as a reminder.

8th Grade Student/Parent Transition Meetings

Our annual 8th Grade Student/Parent Transition meetings took place on Tuesday, January 24th and Thursday, January 26th. The evenings will provide an overview of high school transition activities and an opportunity for families to hear from division heads regarding course offerings for 9th grade students. Other topics covered were: summer school and the shift that impacts the Class of 2021 involving Health being embedded within the PE Curriculum.

OPRFHS News

Senior Alex Frendt was among the 24 runners-up in the New York Times student review contest held in December. Alex was recognized for his review of the film "9" in the December 2016 Trapeze.

Several speech team members continue to dominate at area tournaments. Maeve Doody, Max Freeman, Isabelle Picciotti, and Ellie Bourgikos recently have brought home one or more first place wins, while Nico Gonzalez-Stuver, Marissa Kuriaskos, Anderson Kennedy, Parthenia Gharavis, and Lily Alexandroff have won second and/or third place awards.

Librarian Ann Carlson has once again served as a member of the select committee choosing the annual Scott O'Dell award. The award recognizes the author of a distinguished work of historical fiction for young people published by a U. S. publisher and set in the Americas.