FHE Athletic Booster meeting minutes September 12, 2018

Sports represented:

Baseball - Amy Messing Basketball/Girls - Joe Verbrugge Bowling - Dawn Boomers Cross Country - Rita Tomaszewski Cheerleading/Sideline - Dawn Boomers Field Hockey - Wendy Winn Football - Kris Brenner Ice Hockey - Terry Endres Rugby - Mat Muldoon Skiing - Jill Yeomans Softball - Aaran Bush Swimming - Sherri Sands Tennis - Jennifer Elms Track - Carin Brenner Volleyball - Pam Toigo Kathy Hoffman

Coaches present: Softball - Aaran Bush Girls Basketball - Steven "Preacher" Lee Track & Field/Cross Country - Dan McElheny Swimming - Coach Neat

Board members present: Ali Doyle Chris Hoexum Wendy Winn Jackie Doherty

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

#### Ben Sherman - Athletic Director

- introduced new board members
- this year student admission to all sporting events within the district is \$2. This was done in order to grow school spirit.
- 8 student athletes were taken to a leadership summit within the O-K conference
- We are continuing to recognize an Athlete-of-the-Month for each sport. Coaches are able to select 3 athletes during their season who represents FHE well. This month's nominations are due by September 19th.

2 urgent hires are needed: Varsity Bowling and Wrestling. These positions are posted on the Kent Consortium: <u>https://www.applitrack.com/kent/onlineapp/default.aspx?</u>

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# Chris Hoexum - President

- There are a lot of opportunities for FHE Athletic Boosters to help bring our athletics to the next level
- We are trying to raise money so our students can have the best experience possible
- We raise money through donations and sponsorships
- We offer a subsidy for students who are unable to pay to play
- · Communication with the parents and coaches is key to what we do
- · Boosters have never said no to a request
- We are going to be keeping track of which sports are represented at the booster meetings and which sports take the time to help out with concessions and fundraisers
- Please let your coaches know how important it is to the athletes to have them present when the Athlete-of-the-Month awards are given.
- Make sure you check out <u>FHEsports.net</u> Let's try to get each team's page updated

# Hawk Rally

- · 27 teams were involved
- Great turnout!

# Winter Hawk Rally

- Friday, March 1st from 4-10 p.m.
- · Students will stay after school to set up
- 4-6 p.m. will be for younger kids will be similar to Hawk Rally but indoors
- 6-8 p.m. will be for the bigger kids basketball, volleyball, dodgeball, etc
- 8-10 p.m. DJ/dance for both kids and adults
- There will be a fee at the door
- Kids will collect donations
- \* We need a logistics person
- \* We need a person in charge of corporate sponsors

- Sponsors love to hear that this is a big **community** event
- We need spring and fall sports to be involved, not just winter sports

# Student Section / Hawk Zone

- Spirit bus and t-shirts for the Grand Rapids Christian game
- We want the students to have a great experience
- Will look into the possibility of having a middle school bus in the future

### Social Media - Pam Toigo

- visit the Facebook page like and share!
- also on Instagram
- The parent rep for each sport is responsible for writing article updates,
- sending photos, box scores, etc OR finding someone to do so.
- any information about your team, including pictures, can be sent to: <u>fheathleticboosters2019@gmail.com</u>
- articles will be forwarded on to Ben Sherman, MLive, and the Cadence
- Social media is being used in an effort to get more people involved and excited about FHE Athletics

### **Concessions - Jackie Doherty**

- you can find the signup genius on the weekly update
- we need more people to sign up for concessions
- Student athletes are welcome to do concessions.
- Jackie will look into having a form that allows the students to use concession time as volunteer hours
- Parent reps need to check the sign-up genius to see when their sport is responsible for covering concessions

#### **Patron Forms**

- we have very few "Patron Donors"
- 22 families have donated \$250 or more
- We need to create a "buzz" about the Athletic Boosters
- Patron Donor money goes directly to the FHE Athletic Boosters
- Ticket sales go to the district
- · Looking into a tent for the Crimson Club donors
- FHE Varsity jacket order forms are available in the Athletic Office

#### meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.