Nauset Warriors Booster Club Meeting september 9, 2013 Minutes

<u>In Attendance:</u> Julie Drake, Frank DeStefano, Michael Mahoney, Kevin Lowey, Mike Gomez, Ken Fowler, Michael Treese, Stephanie Sullivan, Paul Bohannon, Lynn Larkowski, Keith Kenyon, Kate Malloy, Debbie Harry, Joan Roberts, Sue Moynihan

President Kevin Lowey called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM. He Welcomed new board members Debbie Harry and Kate Malloy.

<u>Acceptance of Minutes:</u> Stephanie Sullivan moved to accept the minutes from the August 5, 2013 meeting. Lynn Larkowski seconded, and the motion passed.

Sue Moynihan read the following email motion and vote into the record: Michael Mahoney moved that "the Nauset Boosters Club purchase (2) Weber E 310 (3) Burner Grilles from H.H. Snows in Orleans for the amount of \$387.39 each for a total of \$774.78 without tax. Tax exempt form required for purchase at H.H. Snow. Gas grills to be fabricated and delivered to the Nauset Concession stand by H.H. Snow at no additional charge. Delivery estimate date is 9-10-13 if ordered on 9-3-13." Ken Taber seconded, and the motion passed.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Julie Drake distributed a summary report for the period of 7/1/13 through 9/9/13. Inflows were \$8,856 and outflows were \$6,202, for a net of \$2,654. Michele Treese moved to accept the treasurer's report. Michael Mahoney seconded, and the motion passed. Other financial business: The new grill was purchased from Snows, and an invoice is forthcoming. The Concessions Committee is establishing an accounting system that Mike Gomez will manage.

<u>New Members:</u> Paul Bohannon moved to accept the nomination of new board members Heather Hill, Michael Mahoney, Debbie Harry, and Kate Malloy. Lynn Larkowski seconded, and the motion passed.

<u>Fall Sports Orientation Meeting:</u> There was agreement that the speaker was excellent. The program ran longer than anticipated. It was suggested that in the future, parents and athletes be asked to move to the center seats so all attendees may be accommodated. The board members were well-received by the respective teams and parents. It was suggested that board members have talking points to effectively respond to questions by parents about what the club does. All who staffed rooms were asked to bring their volunteer lists to the September meeting.

<u>Golf Tournament:</u> Event Chair Stephanie Sullivan reported on the upcoming event. The Back Nine lost its restaurant concession at Captains. Ardeos has stepped in and will provide the barbeque for the tournament. The cost will be \$22.50 per person (up from \$20) and will include the tip. Stephanie and Julie have been busy seeking sponsors and donations. We are in need of more players. It was suggested that a staff message be sent to Nauset District staff, and that golf pros be contacted. The hole-in-one car will be at Friday's (9/13) football game. Stephanie will send out a request for volunteers to work at the event.

<u>Nauset Cards:</u> Mike Gomez reported that the two blitz weekends, when all teams will be selling, are 9/14-15 and 9/21-22. Coaches will pick up cards at Keith's office. All of the September sales revenue goes to the club; teams must sell in September in order to sell in October and keep half of their revenue.

Membership: There was confusion and lack of communication about this year's membership program, with two groups of board members proceeding without the knowledge of the other. This resulted in membership levels being set and letters being mailed to families of all students without a board vote. In addition, the membership committee had drafted a letter and had reordered decals to be sent with membership letters, as had been the practice of the previous club. During the meeting Mike Gomez explained the levels and premiums that he, Ken Taber, and Keith Kenyon established: \$75 Gold (includes Gold Nauset Card and cardholder admission to home events at the school); \$40 Black (includes Member Nauset Card); and \$25 Basic. All levels would also receive a black and gold Nauset Strong wristband. The Nauset decals will be given to members and sent out with next year's membership letters. Kevin acknowledged everyone's efforts, and suggested that we need to communicate better in the future. Ken Fowler moved that the membership levels be approved. Joan Roberts seconded, and the motion passed.

<u>Programs:</u> Debbie Harry, Deb Chase, and Mike Gomez have been working on the fall programs. Joe Beck (formerly of CC Tech) is doing the printing. The programs should be finished this week.

<u>Nauset Gear:</u> Ken Fowler informed us that we are close to finalizing our relationship with the new Nauset gear provider. We will receive 15% of soft goods sales. Kevin Lowey moved that we finalize all of the legal arrangements with the company. Lynn Larkowski seconded, and the motion passed.

New Business: Principal Tom Conrad joined the meeting to discuss his vision for making the high school the center of the community. Many schools serve this role, yet Nauset's location makes this difficult. Upgrading school facilities to make them valuable to the greater community would be a way to achieve this vision. Examples include upgrading to an artificial turf field, installing an Olympic-size pool and domed tennis facility, and building an applied and fine arts facility. Discussion centered on the artificial turf concept. It's difficult and costly to maintain a quality field, given the heavy use it receives in fall and spring. The pricetag for an artificial turf is approximately \$600,000-\$700,000. There are no funds in the district budget for this. Principal Conrad asked that the club consider how we can assist. We will discuss at the October meeting.

Paul Bohannon advised that the dishwasher in the gym needs repair. The dishwasher is useful to fall and winter concessions operations. Lynn suggested that her husband take a look to see what it needs, and the board agreed.

Old Business: Keith Kenyon described the recent upgrades to the locker rooms, and relocation of his office from the administration building to the gym complex. Being located near the athletes is of great benefit. Both the locker room upgrades and the office construction were accomplished almost entirely through donated or at-cost materials and donated labor. Keith is requesting \$2,000 to pay for the cost of some materials. Julie Drake moved to pay \$2,000 to support the office relocation. Lynn Larkowski seconded, and the motion passed. Some board members have never had a tour of the gym complex, and there is a desire to see the improvements. We'll schedule this for the near future.

The next meeting will be held on October 7 at the high school. Michele Treese requested that we add to next month's agenda a discussion about decision-making for providing food to visiting teams.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Sue Moynihan, Clerk