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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Nauset Warriors Booster Club, Inc. Held May 6, 2014 At the Home of Kevin Lowey

<u>The following voting Directors were In Attendance:</u> Julie Drake, Joan Roberts, Kevin Lowey, Lynne Larkowski, Stephanie Sullivan, Heather Hill, Mike Mahoney, Cathy Chamberlain, Mike Gomez, Ken Fowler, Michele Treese, Keith Kenyon, Ken Taber, Sue Moynihan.

The following non-voting Advisory Directors were In Attendance: Keith Kenyon

The following Guests were in Attendance: Holly Shackleford

A quorum of board members was present.

Call to Order: Kevin Lowey, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM.

<u>Introduction</u>: Ken Taber introduced guest Holly Shackleford, who is interested in joining the board and is on the slate for the clerk position for the 2014-2015 term.

<u>Acceptance of Minutes:</u> Lynne Larkowski moved to accept the minutes from the April 6 meeting. Julie Drake seconded, and the motion passed.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> NWBC has \$37,036 in available funds. There was significant demand this spring for scholarships for crew team members. Several \$300 financial need scholarships were provided. Funds continue to be held in reserve for teams through their Nauset Card fundraising. There is \$8,000 reserved for Bohannon Scholarships. Heather Hill moved to accept the treasurer's report. Ken Taber seconded, and the motion passed.

<u>Membership Meeting and Slate of Officers for 2014-2015</u>: The membership meeting will be held on June 16, 2014 at the high school library. The slate consists of Ken Taber, President; Heather Hill, Vice President; Mike Gomez, Treasurer; and Holly Shackleford, Clerk. Notification of the meeting will be made to all current members via email. Mike Gomez has the current list of email addresses, and will send out the notification, or provide the list to Sue Moynihan. One month's notice is required. Kevin expressed that in viewing the applications for the Bohannon Scholarship, it reinforced the value of what we do for the athletes.

<u>2014-2015 Committees:</u> We reviewed the committees for next year, confirming which need new chairs, and those for which board members wish to volunteer. Stephanie Sullivan will be leaving the board, but still wants to be involved as a worker where needed. She passed on to the board a binder of information she has compiled on running the golf tournament, which will be helpful for future tournaments.

-- Nauset Cards: Mike Gomez chair

-- Golf Tournament: If we proceed with a tournament in fall 2014, Cathy Chamberlain volunteered herself and her husband. Lynne Larkowski also volunteered.

-- Concessions: No chair, but Michele Treese, Heather Hill, and Mike Gomez will continue in their roles. Several board members will work shifts. A volunteer coordinator is needed.

-- Membership: Mike Gomez chair. Mike discussed a new idea of working on a targeted mailer to attract more athlete families. He will proceed with this project with Sir Speedy. Personal relationships with other athletes and their families are key to building membership and support. Mike Mahoney and Holly Shackleford volunteered to help.

-- Programs: Mike Gomez chair. Mike described the process this season, which appears to be moving along smoothly. As there is a business link between Nauset Cards, membership, and programs, it makes sense to keep these committees connected.

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-- Scholarship Committee: Status quo.

-- Hall of Fame Committee: Status quo.

<u>Fundraisers</u>: Current fundraisers—the golf tournament and the fish fry—were discussed, as was the idea of considering one large community event in the future, which may be more financially successful. Late winter/early spring was identified as a good time of year for such an event. Keith Kenyon described the "Evening of Champions" event that he's familiar with, and offered to have people from his former school come to talk to the board about the possibilities for a similar event for Nauset.

<u>Turf Update:</u> The committee has been very active, working on brick sales, the raffle, sales of signage around the field, and legal/contract work. \$192,000 has been raised. The cost is \$650,000. There will be a large construction contract, plus in-kind work. Tom Conrad and Kevin Lowey have signed the construction contract. In addition to the commitment of \$25,000 per year for up to five years from NWBC, the committee described the potential revenue from sign sales at three levels (\$40,000-\$50,000 per year), plus field rentals. Fundraising commitments need to be finalized in August.

The Kennedys are offering a loan of \$300,000 with a five year pay back at 7%. Payments will be made quarterly, with the opportunity for additional principal payments. The interest totals \$58,000. Ken Fowler explained the loan agreement and amortization schedule and three motions pertaining to the loan.

- Stephanie Sullivan moved that NWBC agree to accept a \$300,000 Loan from the Kennedy Family under the terms and conditions of the Kennedy Turf Loan Agreement and that NWBC agree to the repayment schedule per the Kennedy Turf Loan Amortization schedule. All funds from Said Loan will be used exclusively toward partial payment of the Nauset High School Turf Field project. This motion authorizes NWBC President, Kevin Lowey to execute the Kennedy Turf Loan Agreement. Ken Taber seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Ken Fowler abstained.
- 2. Stephanie Sullivan moved that NWBC accept the Letter from Tom Conrad, Principal of Nauset Regional High School, dated May 02, 2014, and agree to bill & collect all pledges made to the Nauset Community Turf fund and to bill & collect all lease and/or use fees for the Nauset High School Turf Field and that all such collected funds beyond the initial \$300,000 paid toward the Turf installation will be deposited in a separate NWBC Turf Fund Loan Account, and that all such funds will be used exclusively to repay the Kennedy Turf Loan. Ken Taber seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Ken Fowler abstained.
- 3. Stephanie Sullivan moved that NWBC \$25,000 annual pledges to the Nauset Community Turf Fund (as previously moved & passed on February 10, 2014) for 2015-2018 shall be deposited annually into the NWBC Kennedy Turf Loan Account, said funds to be used exclusively toward repayment of the Kennedy Turf Loan. Ken Taber seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Ken Fowler abstained.

Committee Reports:

--Concessions, no report.

--Scholarship, there are 13 applicants, and the committee will meet on May 7 to make decisions. --Senior Awards, the ceremony will be held on May 18 at 6 PM at the Brewster Baptist Church. This year's honorees are Ken and Jane Fowler. The faculty award is going to Tracy DeStefano. --Hall of Fame, Keith Kenyon described the new criteria and the re-induction process. The previous criteria were far too limiting, requiring captaincy in three sports. The new criteria maintain a very high bar, but allow for extremely accomplished athletes and dedicated community members to be considered.

Fish Fry: The event is on May 8. Many last-minute details were discussed.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8 PM

Sue Moynihan, Clerk