

**Nauset Warriors Booster Club Meeting
February 4, 2013**

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Minutes

In Attendance: Joan Roberts, Sharon Huber, Mike Gomez, Kevin Lowey, Paul Bohannon, Cathy Chamberlain, Barb Garside, Lynn Larkowski, Keith Kenyon, Sherrie McCullough, Sue Moynihan, Julie Drake, Deb Chase, Michele Treese, Ken Fowler

Kevin Lowey called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The minutes of the 1/7/13 meeting were approved.

Kevin described a few of his recent observations of individual kids being positively impacted by being on a team, impressing upon the board the value of our efforts with the booster club.

Treasurer's Report: Julie distributed a summary report. The current NWBC balance is \$46,575.72. CPA Steve Garran of Eastham will do our taxes. He estimates that it will cost between \$500 and \$700 per year.

Volleyball Request: Coach Wendy Yelle requested \$3,299.00 for an Attack II training machine. The machine will modernize practices, and Keith informed us that many schools utilize them. Special balls are required, and the coach will spend \$1850 of team funds on balls.

Barb Garside made a motion that NWBC approve \$3,299.00 for the Attach II machine for volleyball. Sherrie McCullough seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Tribute Night: Paul provided an update on the tribute being planned for former coaches Jack Donahue and Leo Miller. The date is Friday, June 7, which is the week of graduation. The evening will include dinner, with food provided by local restaurants, and a tribute. Tickets will be limited to 500. Donations made in Coach Miller's and Coach Donahue's names will be given to NWBC to fund something lasting at the school.

Financial Support for Low Income Families: Mike presented a report that included information on costs for unfunded sports, numbers of students who cannot pay to play these sports, and demographic information. He posed the question of whether NWBC should subsidize low income students who wish to play and whose families may not be able to afford equipment or fees. A discussion followed about how to support athletes who may not be able to afford to participate; how to identify these families; the role coaches might play in referring players to NWBC; whether low income families would come forward; and how we might let these folks know that there are funds to support their children. The board was divided on how to proceed with this idea, and the concept will be discussed in the future.

Field Hockey Request: Coach Jodi Quill requested \$320.00 for new warm-up jackets. She will use \$1,000 in team funds for the balance.

Julie Drake made a motion that NWBC approve up to \$320.00 for warm-up jackets for field hockey. Ken Fowler seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Gymnastics Request: Coach Jen Watkins requested funds to support sending two athletes and herself to the nationals in Florida in May. There was discussion about the level to which NWBC should support participation in these optional events. In 2012 the previous club provided a total of \$500.00 for six runners and the coach to attend the nationals in North Carolina. Article XII of the by-laws states "The club will consider requests for financial aid not to exceed the amount of \$200.00 per student athlete for any athletic activity."

Sue Moynihan made a motion that NWBC approve \$200.00 for each of the two athletes and the coach to attend the nationals. Deb Chase seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

News from the AD: The winter awards night will be on March 14. The new format, initiated in fall 2012, will be followed. The new projection screen will be available, and there will be still photos of the athletes. Due to the administration's decision that the video department document many more school activities, and therefore they will be very busy, there will not be a video on awards night. The spring sports orientation will be on March 12.

New Business:

Jacket Policy: Julie, Paul, and Kevin will explore developing new policy for the varsity jackets.

Nominating Committee: Kevin is the chair. We need to recruit new board members, and he will ask for volunteers at the spring orientation meeting. Current board members should let Kevin know their intentions for next year.

Senior Sports Night: The event is on May 19. Coffee and dessert will be served. A request to hold the event at the Brewster Baptist Church is pending. This has been a very good location for end-of-season cross country events.

Chris Herren Presentation: The board agreed with Kevin's idea to see if Chris Herren is available to make his presentation to Nauset students. The former Celtics player is an inspirational speaker on the topic of addiction. Kevin will request that Gosnold sponsor the presentation.

Fish Fry: We are awaiting a date for the fish fry. NWBC will be asked to assist.

The next meeting is on March 4, 2013 at 6:00 PM at the Nauset Regional High School library.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Sue Moynihan, Clerk

Addendum from Kevin Lowey, February 11, 2013: The Brewster Baptist Church is confirmed for the Senior Sports Night. We are grateful to Pastor Doug Scalise and the church community for their support of this event.