

Booster Club General Meeting

May 12, 2010

Attendees: Rick Plummer, Alycia Varytimidis, Dave Rath, Chris Robinson, John Clausen, Jennifer Parker, and Matt Nolan

Start: 5:30 PM

End: 7:00 PM

Election of 2010-2011 Officers

Since this was a building year the Executive Board would like to recommend to the General membership that the current Executive Board will stay intact for next year with a couple of adjustments. Jennifer Parker will move to secretary, and Wendy Marsh will move to Membership Director. Kim Newman will not be back next year. Therefore, we will need to fill the position of the Concession Director.

President – Rick Plummer

Vice-President – Chris Robinson

Treasurer – John Clausen

Secretary – Jennifer Parker

Fundraising Director – Ellen Plummer

Membership Director – Wendy Marsh

Concession Director – TBA

Membership Representative – Scott Wolleson

A vote by the attendees of the General meeting passed, reinstating the past year's Executive Board with the changes shown above. Coach V will search for a Director of the Concession Committee to be named in the September 2010 General meeting.

Athletic budget

The 2010-2011 Athletic Budget will be finalized in August 2010 by Coach V and John Clausen. New Basketball Uniforms – starting next year phase in replacing basketball uniforms. Coach V will make the determination of which team uniforms will be replaced for the 2010 basketball season.

Action Item:

- 1. Coach V and John Clausen to finalize budget to be approved at the August 2010 Executive Board Meeting and presented at the September 2010 General Meeting.***

2010-2011 Athletic Booster Club Dues

Collection of the 2010-2011 Athletic Booster Club dues will begin in August 2010. Forms will go out in summer packets. Booster Club dues will stay the same as last year, which was \$40.00 per family per year.

A membership drive is planned at the beginning of school; this event will be referred to as a "Sports Roundup." The purpose of the Sports Roundup is to:

- Sign athletes up for the various sports.

- Encourage parents and grandparents to join the Booster Club.
- Help raise money for GES Athletics.

Set up on the playground with a jumper, fast pitch, basketball shootout, and cook hamburgers. Tables will be set up for signing up new members and athletics. Hamburgers, chips, and drink will be sold for \$5.00 each.

Action Items:

- 1. Wendy Marsh to send information on Booster Club Membership in summer packet.***
- 2. Wendy Marsh to send order form for Sports Roundup in summer packet.***

New Committees

Sports Committees

In an effort to further GES Athletics and Coach V, the Booster Club will form a committee for the following sports:

- Boys Soccer (Bill Wilson, Wendy Marsh, Lori Williams, Matt Nolan)
- Co-Ed Golf (Tommy Cagle, Need 2-3)
- Co-Ed Tennis (Robin Fincher, Dee Cagle, Need 1-2 more)

These committees will be made up of 3 or 4 Grace Parents. The purpose of these committees is to:

- Setup a table at the Sports Roundup.
- Work closely with Coach V during the decision-making process.
- Recruit coaches.
- Recruit players (Sports Roundup, open house, and other school events).
- Check with area schools to see if we can join or form a league.
- Establish a game and practice schedule.
- Develop a budget.
- Establish a participation fee.

Newsletter Committee

Purpose is to develop a topic schedule and appoint parents to write an article, develop a questionnaire (scores, statistics, outstanding plays, etc) in which an article can be derived from.

Dave Rath suggested that the newsletter could be incorporated into a student function such as the Gator Gazette.

End-of-the-Year Basketball Committee

A committee will need to be formed to help plan and solicit help for the 2010-2011 End-Of-The-Year Basketball Tournament. Some suggestions to be considered:

- January 26th-28th, 2011.
- Try to get Neville gym for some of the games so that games do not go into 10:00 at night.

Family Day Committee

A committee will need to be formed to help plan and solicit help for the 2010-2011 Family Day. Some suggestions to be considered:

- Plan for February 5, 2011.
- Follow-up with all helpers prior to the day of their shift to remind them.
- No entry fee.
- More fundraiser events.

Action Items:

- 1. Rick to form Sports Committees.***
- 2. Rick to develop schedule for Newsletter.***
- 3. Rick to appoint an Executive Board Member to form the End-of-the-Year Basketball Tournament Committee.***
- 4. Rick to appoint an Executive Board Member to form the Family Day Committee.***

Calendar of Events

Sports Roundup – August 20, 2010 at 4:30-6:00 PM

Family Day – February 5, 2011

Athletic Banquet – April 30, 2011 at 6:00 PM (tentative)

Action Items:

- 1. Ellen to finalize date of Athletic Banquet to add to School Calendar.***

Fundraisers

Fundraisers for the 2010-2011 school year will include the following:

- Hamburger Cookouts (Sports Roundup, Neville games, periodically throughout the year)
- Pancake Breakfast or Dinner
- Family Day
- Yard Signs
- Booster Club Shirts
- Stadium Seats
- Banners in the Gym

Action Items:

- 1. Ellen to check with Neville on Hamburger Sales at Neville Games.***
- 2. Ellen to check with the Church on the banners (need to check in early June).***
- 3. Ellen to establish a cost for banners.***
- 4. Rick to talk to Stacie Gissendanner about students writing portions of the newsletter.***

Athletic Banquet

The Athletic Banquet was a great success this year. Some additions to next year include the following:

- Increase ticket prices to \$25 per person.
- Pictures need to be collected throughout the year. Joe Travis has agreed to be in charge of taking pictures throughout the school year. Dave Rath suggested talking to Stacy Gissendanner about assign students to taking pictures as part for their class credit.
- Schedule for Saturday, April 30,
- Awards

- Rename the MVP award as Outstanding Athlete
- Add one additional award per team, selected from the following:
 - Most Improved
 - Most Effort/Hardest Worker
 - Sportsmanship
- Using the Outstanding Athlete Criteria from last year plus adding the following criteria:
 - Finished the season
 - Never been suspended from school
 - Maintain a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Check on having the Banquet at ULM complex (cost and dates).

New selection criteria were presented. The following was a suggestion:

A list of eligible Middle School athletes will be given to all of the head coaches and assistant coaches. Each coach will be allowed nominate up to 3 female athletes and 3 male athletes as the outstanding athlete (they may select one or two, if they cannot choose three). For each selection, each coach will rank them in order of their first choice to their third choice. For each selection, each coach must provide a discussion on the following criteria:

- *Contribution to the Team*
- *Effort during practice and during games*
- *Sportsmanship toward teammates and opponents*
- *Attitude*
- *Practice and game attendance*

Teachers will be allowed to rank the nominees, based on citizenship. Brenda Foster will rank the nominees, based on grade point average.

Final selection of the female and male outstanding athletes will be voted on by the selection committee via secret ballot. The selection committee will be made up of an Executive Board member, Coach V, Brenda Foster, and 4 additional members (TBA). Dave Rath will act as observer and vote counter.

Action Items:

- 1. Jennifer Parker to check with Bayou Desiard Country Club to see if we can secure the Club for April 30, 2011.**
- 2. Rick to talk to Stacy Gissendanner about pictures.**
- 3. Chris Robinson to talk to ULM about having the Banquet on campus.**
- 4. Write-up the selection process for the Male and Female Middle School Outstanding Athlete Award and get approved by Executive Board.**