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### **NEWFIELD BOOSTER CLUB MEETING - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2008 - 6:30 PM NEWFIELD HIGH SCHOOL – ROOM 109**

**ATTENDEES:** Sandy Allen, Helen Beach, Sherri & Jay Dunham, Tom & Betsy Edwards, Rhonda Ellers, Lucy Ferrara, Gigi Fields, Mitch Gray, Tina Henry, Bonnie Hockenberry, Terri Nunez, Tammy VanOrman

#### **SUMMARY:**

The meeting consisted of; Building Project Update, Fundraising Ideas, IAC Division III Champion T-Shirts/Upcoming Girls' Basketball games, and Misc. Topics.

The meeting was called to order at: 6:35 PM by Co-Presidents Sandy Allen and Tom Edwards.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:52 PM

Next Meeting: **Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – 6:30 PM**

Location of Next Meeting: Newfield High School Room 109

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Account balances were given by Lucy Ferrara, Treasurer. Discussed and approved by those in attendance. It was noted that the 1<sup>st</sup> insurance check was received and it'll be invested in a CD. Also, the glass "buggy jug" was replaced with a plastic one.

Gigi Fields asked about the monies that we were supposed to get from the Cornell Concessions at the Newfield vs. Groton Football Game in the Fall. Sandy Allen replied that we haven't gotten any money from Cornell yet, but she'll ask Jeff Augustine about it.

**MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:** January minutes were approved by all in attendance.

#### **MAJOR TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:**

##### **OLD/ NEW BUSINESS:**

- Building Project Update
- Fundraising Ideas
- Girls' Basketball Misc.
- Misc. Topics

##### **DISCUSSION DETAILS:**

###### **• Building Project Update**

There was supposed to be a "locker representative" present at this meeting since Sandy had invited one but, the company never followed up with her. There'll be more conversation in the future.

Tom Edwards and Sandy met with Bill Hurley today and he told them that we've received the 1<sup>st</sup> insurance check. We will receive more money when we obtain occupancy of the new building and purchase replacement items for the new Booster Concession area. Sandy noted that we'll get back what we've requested minus a depreciation cost. There was also discussion about the materials list and cost to complete the interior of the new Field House. This cost will be an extra expense that's not included in the budget. Tom noted that according to Jay Dunham this cost will actually be 20% less than what's listed. Betsy Edwards mentioned that the Booster Club didn't commit to this large of an amount of money. Sandy remembered Betsy asking Bill point blank about the Booster Club's financial responsibility and its approximation wasn't going to be this large of a commitment. Jay pointed out that contractor bids will be the determining factor in the cost to complete the inside of the new building. Jay also noted that Newfield School District has just hired a clerk so they'll be overseeing everything.

It was pointed out that the interior may have to be completed in stages. Tom mentioned some of the items that are included in the estimated cost; insulation, dry wall, painting, lockers, sinks, toilets, lights, kitchen exhaust hood and 3-bay sink. Sandy pointed out that it won't include the heating system but, that the school budget will cover that. Tom said that the new building will have radiant heat flooring so, there'll have to be an upgrade to the current boiler system and this would also be a school expense. The updated plans that Tom and Sandy had received for the new building have some changes and the Booster Concession storage area is flipped to the opposite side of the structure.

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Discussion continued about the materials list and Lucy Ferrara asked whether we would really need an exhaust hood. Jay replied with, "no, if we cook outside." Mitch Gray mentioned that we could have a nice grill outside and save on the cost of an exhaust hood. Sandy said we can make due with just the space for the 1<sup>st</sup> year of concessions. Tom would like for it to be up and running completely at the start of the football season. Lucy noted that we could approach businesses that may be remodeling and reuse any items such as sinks, etc. Sandy said that if anyone has connections they should check it out. Tina Henry mentioned that the cost minus the 20% really isn't bad including all of the fixtures, etc. for the interior. Lucy asked about who would maintain the new building and Sandy answered that Ray Rawn, Custodial Operations, would oversee it.

Sandy noted that Bill pointed out that Sports Boosters should go to a Board Meeting and he'll be letting us know when. Tom mentioned that we can then lay the groundwork to the Board about the projected cost and hopefully there'll be resources available to give back to the school for the project. Betsy noted that we could also approach the Newfield PTA for some financial help.

Betsy asked whether concession workers will need to be certified. Sandy pointed out that classes are starting in August and they'd be \$150 per person. There may be the possibility of only 2-3 people becoming certified but, they'd have to be present at all concessions. Tom asked if there'd be any way for an instructor to come to us for the class and if that could create a cost savings. Lucy asked if there'd be any foreseen inspection process. Teri Nunez noted that concessions would have to be in very rough shape to be inspected and then to fail inspection.

**• Fundraising**

Tom asked about the solicitation for bricks, lockers, etc. in the Golf Tournament letter. Betsy noted that she's been in contact with Glenside Monument and they've informed her that there's another organization doing this same type of project and that we may want to approach them for ideas. Sandy reminded us that the plaque would be something placed on a locker or above it with the individual's name engraved on it that had purchased it. Tammy VanOrman asked who would be solicited and mentioned that alumni would be good to approach. Tina suggested alumni from the "Hall of Fame". Sandy said we could also put a "wish list" in the District Newsletter.

Sandy mentioned that Bill suggested that we form committees (i.e. plumbers, painters, electricians and fundraising) and she noted that the Booster Club officers will meet with him for now. Tom noted that we'll need to start with fundraising. Tina suggested that for fundraising we could raffle off a donated 4-Wheeler and that she'll check with Amy at Ithaca Recreation Sports about it. Sandy noted that they've been approachable before; that we'd have to pay their cost for the donated item and then we'd keep what was above/beyond that. Tom suggested lottery calendars. Betsy suggested a silent auction and Tom noted that this could possibly be done at the Golf Tournament. Lucy mentioned that even if someone isn't registered for the Golf Tournament they could still participate in the silent auction. Mitch noted that the silent auction could be held outside on the back porch at the Golf Tournament and Tom added that it could even be under the Booster tent.

Sandy brought up that we could do an Eagles spaghetti dinner fundraiser. Lucy's brother and Gigi Fields are both members. Teri mentioned Applebee's pancake breakfast and that it's a profitable fundraiser. Sandy asked that if anyone has a contact regarding Applebee's please let her know. Teri noted that Joan Hunter had been the one to set it up for the Class of 2008 parent's fundraising. Lucy will contact Joan for info. and then she asked what month everyone felt would work best. It would have to be on a Sunday and maybe we can aim for a weekend that there's a baseball tournament (Sun. April 6<sup>th</sup>?). Jay mentioned that a dinner after the High School play might be a good fundraiser. In the past a lot of people had bought dinner after the 2 PM matinee. Gigi noted that the Class of 2009 is already doing a spaghetti dinner on 3/20.

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Sandy pointed out that the Baseball Bottle/Can Drive is Sat. 4/26 from 8:00-11:00 AM. She's waiting to hear from K&H about a truck. Lucy and Tom had also volunteered their trailers if K&H isn't available. Lucy offered that the drop off location could be at her husband Frank's building or the recycling company where there's provided bags to put the cans in.

**• Girls' Basketball Misc.**

Tom brought up Girls Basketball. Wed. 2/13 they'll be at Odessa Montour and Sat. 2/16 they're at SUNY Cortland. There'll be at least one home game and maybe more than that. Teri mentioned that they may start with a BYE. Tom agreed and then discussed the upcoming games. Sandy pointed out that the girls are now IAC Division III Champions and that when they win on Wed. and Sat. they'll be the IAC Champions.

There was discussion of the IAC Division III Champion t-shirts. The t-Shirts will be free to the team and coaches. The girls want forest green t-shirts with their signatures on the back under the heading Newfield. There'll be an orange basketball on the front acknowledging "Lady Trojans". Mitch suggested that there be recognition of Micki's 1000 points somewhere on the t-shirt. Sandy has been thinking of ideas and wants it to be a surprise to the team. Tammy suggested having Micki's name in bold on the front, keeping signatures on the back and maybe having a flaming ball. All agreed that the t-shirt will acknowledge Micki Volpini reaches 1000 points 1/29/08. Tom suggested that the writing of Lady Trojans could be in silver and circle around the ball with the Micki info. being in the ball.

**• Misc. Topics**

Sandy brought up that Jeff Augustine has mentioned that the boys are in sectionals. After Wed. the brackets will be posted. She also noted that there'll be the upcoming purchase of pitching machines for both baseball and softball so, Booster Club will have that expense.

The Class of 2008 parents send many thanks to the Booster Club for allowing them to sell 50/50 tickets and misc. items. at 2 home basketball games, especially to Betsy for directing people to their table.

Lucy has researched an 8-burner/2 tank gas grill to purchase for use at concessions. It could be used for many events. She'll check with Sam's Club on a return policy, etc. Jay suggested that if we find that we won't use it then it could be raffled off. Lucy motioned to purchase the grill and all present were in favor. Betsy noted that we could submit the grill receipt to the insurance company but, in that case then we wouldn't be able to raffle it off.

Lastly, Tom mentioned that we all should keep in mind that we'll need concession workers for upcoming home sectional games.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM. All in attendance were in favor.

**The next meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 in Newfield High School Room 109.**

Respectfully submitted by Sherri Dunham