

Homestead High School Athletic Boosters Meeting Minutes  
1/11/2016  
HHS Conference Room

**Attendees:**

Laura Healy (President/Baseball), Kathy Besser (VP Fundraising/Spiritwear), Linda Kamas (Co-Secretary/Track), Tara Grande (Administrator), Dena Horeff (Boys V Water Polo), Raelene Conkin (JV Football/G V Basketball/Co-secretary), Patricia Nishan (B JV Basketball), Scott Murray (Treasurer/Softball), Jeff Slaney (Website/G Water Polo/G Swimming), John Luotto (Girls Soccer), Wendy Bockholt (B Volleyball).

**Business:**

- I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by President Laura Healy.
- II. Rally Towels: We discussed whether to buy rally towels in bulk for upcoming athletic events, with guideline of distributing at 1 game for each sport. There was no vote, since we hadn't received pricing information yet. Kathy Besser will find out the approximate cost from Inline Promotions
- III. Coaches Appreciation Event: Laura Healy moved to reserve May 24, 2016 for the Coach Appreciation Event, and to reserve a hotel space. Scott Murray seconded it. We discussed other days, but any days earlier would be within the season, any days later would conflict with holiday, finals, or end of year. For now, May 24 appears to be as good as possible. The motion passed. Kathy Besser will reserve the venue at the Aloft Cupertino, where last year's event was held.
- IV. Amazon Smile: Laura Healy proposed to register HHS Athletic Boosters with Amazon Smile to get 0.5% to our group from Amazon purchases. Deena Horeff seconded. Discussion revealed that there is a slight issue to note that promotions must be online only (cannot promote on printed material or other offline media). The motion passed. Scott agreed to set it up. Jeff will look into promoting it on the website. There is still a need to publicize further, probably after it is set up.
- V. Team Representative Reports:
  - A. Wendy updated that for Boys Volleyball, the coach has reached out to players, had open gym. There are at least 4 kids on the HHS team who play for club teams that are in the top tier for Northern California.
  - B. Raelene updated us on Girls Varsity Basketball. The season started. They won their games so far, beating Cupertino (1<sup>st</sup> time in 1.5 years). Two girls received all-tournament trophies. The team only lost 2 preseason games out of about 10. They are 2 and 0 for the season in league.
  - C. Patricia updated for Boys Basketball. They started the season. JV has a mixed record. Varsity is undefeated in league.
  - D. John Luotto updated on Girls Soccer. They are 1 and 1 in league. It's a tough league, which includes Mountain View (25<sup>th</sup> in the U.S., 2<sup>nd</sup> in State) and Palo Alto (8<sup>th</sup> in the State). JV is undefeated. A big challenge in coaching school teams, with many club players, is that many parents and students often expect decisions to match club conventions. Need to be in top 3 in to get to CCS.
- VI. Athletic Director's Report (Tara Grande):
  - A. Wrestling is doing well, rebuilding the team. They won their first meet.

- B. Boys Soccer is doing well. Varsity won the Christmas Cup (which is hosted by Homestead).
  - C. Feb. 1 (Monday) is the first day of Spring Sports.
  - D. They are looking for 2 coaches: Frosh/Soph Baseball, Frosh/Soph Volleyball
  - E. The Spring Sports team meeting will be either the week before or after February break.
  - F. Next academic year, the Fall Sports season will start about 1 week earlier. This will make the Fall/Winter transition easier, with less overlap.
  - G. Registration is open for Spring Sports.
  - H. For fundraising or other activities, one must file an Activities Proposal (found on Homestead Website under Student Life Documents, Resources, See also Fundraising 101 ) <http://www.hhs.fuhd.org/resources> . Go there to file paperwork to, for example, fundraise by selling bottled water or other items during games, etc.
- VII. Treasurer's Report (Scott Murray):
- A. Scott went over the budget. Membership slowed, 2 new members. We have \$21,416.58 on hand. Some of it was allotted to fund the golf cart but we still have not received a budget request for this item
  - B. Family passes are becoming an issue, possibly stop offering it as a standalone (in the past, we stopped selling it in November). For future, perhaps only sell until the 1<sup>st</sup> basketball game. How can we do membership benefits better?
  - C. The spirit store coordination with treasury is a bit out of whack. Need to confer with Kathy offline.
  - D. Potential items for purchase: Golf cart, rally towels, display case.
- VIII. Fundraising (Kathy Besser):
- A. We have many coffee traveler mugs that we need to sell.
  - B. Kathy and Scott to figure out the e-commerce money (cost, sales, inventory).
- IX. HHS Athletic Boosters Website Report <http://hhsathletics.com> (Jeff Slaney):
- A. Top items viewed: Boys Soccer Christmas Cup; Boys Basketball; Boys Soccer; Girls Basketball.
  - B. Jeff plans to take coaches photos at the Spring Sports Parent/Coach Night.
  - C. Kathy volunteered to put the Funding Request Form onto the website on the "Coaches" page and "About Us" page.
- X. Approval of Minutes: There were a few typos on the December, 2015 minutes to correct. The minutes were approved with those corrections to be made.
- XI. Adjourned at 8:03pm.

Reference Calendar:

2015-2016 Yearly Planner

**Feb: 8 – Booster Meeting**

Spring Sports Parent/Coach Meeting (week of 7<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup>)

Mar: 14 – Booster Meeting

Apr: 4 – Booster Meeting

prep for Graduation kits fundraiser and check re: scholarships for Awards Banquet

May: 9 – Booster Meeting

May 24 – Coaches Appreciation Reception

Jun: Fall membership planning

2 Last day of school/Graduation sale of Graduation Kits