

August Booster Minutes
August 14, 2007

Present: Sandy Sherman, Carolyn Krug, Lori Pinard, Kathy Bonfigli, Ed Hockenbury, Laura Darden, Betsy Weischedel, Jeanne Barnes, Lorrie Picard, Betsy Hoehl

Ed's Report:

- Confirmed dates for this year's meetings. Second Tuesday of every month in C101 at 7pm, with the exception of the winter season(12/11, 1/8, 2/12) when the meetings will be held at 6:30
- Ed had the invoice for Sheila Stawinski, Captains Leadership Training, which Boosters had voted in the spring to pay for.
- Boosters will pay EHS the \$5,000 for the Certified Strength Trainer for this year and CCSU will pay her out of payroll. Ed has asked for money to be budgeted for this position for future years.
- The videotaping bill from Mac McAllister for this falls games came to \$5,280. \$2,750 is in the athletic budget, Friends of Essex Football contributed \$440 and Boosters will pay the balance of \$2,090.

Carol Krug reported on the project to provide a sports program for each season. They have a \$500 sponsor for the winter season and one for the spring season. The Tech Center may be able to print the programs for the winter and spring for the cost of the materials. The fall program will be printed by Village Copy. We will be sell the program for \$1 each. This is considered a service for the fans. We hope to cover our cost with the sales for the fall since we do not have a sponsor. Ed will give Carol team picture cd's and e-mail schedules and rosters to Village Copy. Programs could be sold by team parents on the sidelines and at the ticket booth for night events. Money would be kept separate from ticket sales. May be able to get rosters for away teams, but team parents would have to get them from Ed before the game. Ed may be able to have students copy these rosters.

Jeanne and Sandy will staff the merchandise sale for the Freshman BBQ on 8/27. Jeanne will seek volunteers for the first Friday of the month and the open house on September 26.

The fall schedule for concession coverage is complete. If we have trouble staffing the booth, we would like to post a note that it is closed due to lack of volunteer staffing. We need to get Gary on board with this. Laura will check with Gary to see if he will be able to open the snack bar for the 8/24 football scrimmage early if the game is changed to 5:00 due to lack of field lighting. Varsity Field Hockey has the

snack bar for the football scrimmage. Varsity cheerleaders have the Girls Soccer jamboree the following day. We will not have a concession stand during the day games on homecoming weekend. Still need some team parents.

Betsy will pay the insurance bill on 8/15. We again did not sign up for terrorism coverage which is an extra \$100.

Lori Picard will find football parents to run the 50/50 raffle during games.

Kathy Bonfigli will do the reminder calls to team parents about their concession coverage.

John Maddalena has not responded to requests for more info on money for girls hockey uniforms.

Betsy W. needs to know the payee for the Jeanne Robinson Scholarship awarded to Hannah Bushey. She will check with Valerie McNamara or Shawn Montague.

Concession cart closet will be the booster storage closet. Shelving will be added. We will still need to use the cabinets to keep things locked up. Space is theoretical at the moment. No movement yet on actual renovation.

Fence positioning for the athletic fields is in question. Where it is planned will not allow for the sprucing up project that Ed had envisioned nor for admission to be charged for games. He will keep us posted.

Money from the Hershey Track Meet this summer still needs to be paid to the track team. It is approx. \$600.

VOTES: We approved:

- \$2,090 for fall videotaping
- \$500 for printing/sponsoring the Fall Sports Program.

Adjourned at 8:05.