

OLON ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 11, 2013

Meeting called to order at 6:33 by Bob Fox.

Secretary's Report – Dawn DiCicco

February's minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report – Don Holub

Our CD is due at the end of March with an auto renewal. We made \$1,100 this year. This amount rolls over.

We made \$24,944 dollars this year during the Comet Classic, an increase from last year where we made \$20,778.

Athletic Director's Report – Mark McGuire

Mark thanked everyone who helped out with the basketball tournaments.

He mentioned the Winter Sport's banquets were scheduled for 3/18/13.

President's Report – Bob Fox

Bob advised we need to have more fundraisers because we no longer have Nautica or the Cage Classic. Not having the Cage Classic will mean a \$20,000 loss. He suggested having one in the fall as we have the Signature event in February and will have the golf outing in July.

In reference to the Cage Classic, Bob advised we are not doing it this year because Pat was only going to give us weekend games which would not have generated much revenue as most people buy passes at the beginning of the tournament during the week. He also advised the concessions do not generate much income as many people bring food.

It will still be called the Solon Cage Classic. This year soloncageclassic.com will redirect you to the new website, but next year it will be blank. Someone mentioned possibly charging for the re-direct. Discussion was had whether or not we will really miss participating in this event. It was mentioned it is a lot of work for the \$20,000 we receive. We never really got ½ of the profit we were supposed to receive. It may be easier for us not to participate as it costs us money to rent the gyms. Someone mentioned a concern about them keeping Solon attached to an event we are no longer affiliated with. Someone mentioned a possible disclaimer on the site advising the Solon Athletic Boosters are no longer affiliated with this event. Bob advised that Pat claims he owns the name and has had it incorporated. Someone mentioned that we now have leverage concerning the domain name and that we tell Pat he needs to pay for the name or stop using it. Many were concerned about something happening at the event that may reflect poorly on us.

Bob also advised he anticipates the increased advertising on the scoreboard and in the program will help us break even.

Selling additional stadium bricks to a “new crop of athletes” was suggested as a possible fund raiser.

Bob advised he would like a chairperson for program advertising. Brad and Steve are in charge of advertising, but would like someone to take charge of the program.

Requests

Jim McQuaide asked for \$300 to cover the fee for Darian Hicks to play in the East/West game.

The girls’ softball team requested rooms for a trip at a rate of \$60-\$70 per room.

Girls’ softball staff requested four rain suits for a total of \$310.

Membership – Pat Confroy

Pat advised not all numbers are in for the Spring teams.

Parent Reps – Tammy Strom

Letters for Spring sports were set to go out the week of the meeting.

Concessions – Jolie Hauptert

Jolie thanked everyone who helped out during the basketball tournament.

An idea for next year is to assign teams for concession help.

Budget – Jamie Gallagher

Despite the fact we will not have Cage Classic this year and we need to pay \$9,200 for the scoreboard, there is still a really good chance we will break even this year.

Communications – No report

Golf Outing – Bob Fox for Tim Longville

Advertising was scheduled to begin in April. There will be a total of 144 golfers. Bob thinks (hopes) the event will sell out.

Advertising - Steve Slagle

They are attempting to develop a standard form stating you get “this for X dollars”.

They are looking to pay someone to do the scoreboard to make sure it is done well.

New Business

Scholarship Committee members are as follows: Cheryl Kresevic; Susette Even; Steve Slagle; Doug Sensibaugh and Bruce Rutsky.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is Monday, April 15th at 6:30.