

11-14-2022 Solon Athletic Boosters Meeting

A regular meeting of the Solon Athletic Boosters started at 6:30 PM led by Rob Farley.

Athletic director's report: Not at meeting. No report. Boys soccer coach resigned.

Secretary's report: Minutes have been posted to the website.

Treasurer's report: The Spirit Store continues to be a strong revenue generator for the Booster Club, as it was #1 in revenue for the month. Membership Revenue trickled in during the month, which appears to be final dues from fall sports and the beginning of dues starting to come in for the winter sports. My sense is we will get a bump in membership in November.

The donation from the track program was money the team collected for the purchase of their indoor track mats, this was voted last meeting. Spirit store inventory continues to be an expense, which goes together with the significant revenue. The club also paid the bill for the fall sports programs. The club spent money on various sports teams in October, most of which was for indoor track running mats to support the boys and girls track programs. Hockey warm ups were also purchased this month, cameras for the baseball team, along with crowd control barriers that are used in the parking lot.

The total assets as of October 31, 2022 is \$151,788.26, ; this represents a decrease in assets of \$10,965.45 from September 2022. For comparison, at this point last year (October 2021), we had \$103,366.78 in assets. October 2022 resembled October 2021 as a month where we spent more funds on the student athletes than we collected.

President's report: \$1000 was donated from the mattress fundraiser sale back in October. Was not a well-attended event due to great weather, Solon Community event and a Guardians game at the same time. But "will take \$1,000 any day." Gift cards are being sent to students from DiBellas for Athlete of the Week. We hosted a playoff football game on Friday and earned about \$800 from parking. Getting LED lights installed in stadium. Pat Walsh, new hockey coach, is here.

Pat Walsh: For me it has been "hockey is life" since I was a little kid. I'm trying to rebuild the program here at Solon. Put Solon back in the "red" division. It all starts with everyone coming together. We play home games at Gilmour rink 2.

Requests:

Middle School- none

High School – **Rob Farley – general sports** – Want to get 11 state banners for outside near track/football field for the outdoor events held there that have earned State honors. Like the ones in the gym but for outside. They are \$99 each. Jill Frazier motions to approve request. Sheryl Chaitoff seconds. Request is approved.

Anthony DeCesare – boy basketball – Asking for \$580 for coaches gear. Andrea Pitzel motions to approve. Jill Frazier seconds the requests. Request is approved.

Trish Kruse – girls' basketball – requesting hotel rooms for non-OHSAA tournament travel. Berlin Grand Hotel – 8-10 rooms at \$129 a room for \$1032-\$1290. This is for the Classic in the Country tournament. Also Fairfield Inn – 8-10 rooms at \$103 a room for \$824-\$1030. This is for a Columbus tournament. Jill Frazier motioned to approve request. Cheryl Chaitoff 2nd the motion. Request is approved.

JD Dunn – strength training coach – 3 total requests #1: 2 replacement barbells. Two that we currently have are bent. They tend to roll on certain moves which can be a safety hazard. \$220/bar. Andrea Pitzel motions to approve request. Allison Kronenfeld seconds the motions. Request is approved.

#2) 2 Echo bikes. They are total body. Can be used just upper or just lower depending on what is being rehabbed. Current bikes are very old. \$1740 for 2. Carol Olszewski motions to approve request. Pat Walsh seconds the motion. Request is granted.

#3) 3 Verticle Climbers. \$2200 each. They come with a 5 year warranty. Can change the resistance on them. Jill Frazier motions to approve request. Allison Kronenfeld seconds it. Motion is approved.

Committee Reports

Advertising/program –waiting on pictures for winter program.

Communications – no report

Concessions – Andrea Pitzel created a Sign Up Genius for all winter sports. Please signed up. Many slots to choose from. If every family signed up for 1-2 slots we'd be set.

Comet Classic- over 30 teams registered. This is the 37th year of the event. Still need some help.

February fundraiser – February 11th at Signature of Solon. Carnival theme. Tickets go on sale December 1st. There will be a DJ. Signature of Solon donated the room for free which is a \$2000 value and also are an event sponsor for \$5000.

Membership – It has been slow. Winter memberships are starting to trickle in. 333 members. Have made just over \$38,000.

Spirit Store – Sale days: Dec. 12, 13, 14, 15 and Saturday the 17th starting at 9am. Look for an email and Facebook postings with further information about times

Respectfully submitted by Erica Kanj 11-21-2022