

Board Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2024 at 4:30 pm in School Cafeteria

- 1. Call to Order at 4:31p.m. Those in attendance were Julie, Sam, Tracy, Tasha, Destiny, Gina, Garrett, and Nathan with guest Lisa Meyer.
- 2. Motion to Approve the Agenda was made by Tracy, seconded by Nathan and approved by all.
- 3. Consent Items
 - a. Motion to approve October meeting minutes made by Destiny, seconded by Gina and approved by all in attendance.
- 4. Forum Communications: Lisa Meyer was invited by Nathan to discuss the possible South Diamond updates. The SBC and Village have been discussing the possibility of adding water/sewer to the South Diamond area location. Lisa & Scott Meyer have verbally agreed to help the SBC and village with their installation needs, including digging a trench. Nathan worked with Cindy Strebe from the Village and TDS to have a map drawn up of where the possible water/sewer line would run. He received a quote from Heitpas for \$15,125, not including any grass or concrete replacement, for the line to run through Lisa's property. This quote is good through next year and included donations/write-offs by some of the partnering businesses. Would need to continue discussion with the Village to procure an easement as well as discuss the possibility of electrical being bored to the same location at the time of the 2025 highway project. Lisa suggested the use of grants to help cover the cost and has grant writing experience herself. "Dreaming Big" by shooting for more funding, hoping that part of the project is funded and we would work with other groups for a better chance at receiving those funds. Lisa stated there is a Community Innovation Grant through the Village Board packet on their website. The more organizations that come together to better the community, the better chance we may have. The Parks & Rec department of the Village is contemplating a community garden in this area as well. Julie has bids for electrical and spoke with Nick Kuhn about this. There would be a significant cost savings to run the electrical directly from the highway rather than around by the fire station. Lisa stated she would be willing to help with applying for grants and helping us with our 501(c)3 status.

5. Reports

a. Treasurer Report: Checking \$29,712.57; Savings \$3,966.35; Peer Savings \$2,909.96. These totals do not include payment recently made to Honeymoon Acres for the wreath fundraiser.

6. SBC Updates

- a. Wreath Sale
 - i. Results: Julie sent out results earlier in the month. It is the best selling year we've had so far. Gift cards to the top sellers have been distributed.
 - ii. Dibs sign up: Any SBC member available to help tie ribbons and organize on Thursday, November 21st are welcome to help. Julie will send a text with an exact time of when wreaths will be delivered. Friday, November 22nd from 12:00 p.m. through 4:30 p.m. will be the pick-up time for families. Multiple SBC members will be present to assist.
- b. Volleyball & Soccer

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i. End of season survey results: Overall, survey results were positive. Coaches asked for a parent clinic at the beginning of the season to help facilitate cohesiveness between coaches and parents so the athletes can practice better at home and for a general overview of the game and rules. One survey result showed that a soccer parent felt that not all the players needed to be equally rotated through the positions. There was also concern over the quality of the clothing order and that team/individual pictures arrived very late in the season.

c. Basketball

i. Season update: All 3 teams have started practices and/or games. With a recent addition, we now have 10 players on the co-ed team. Have heard feedback that there may have been enough girls to form their own team in this age group, but they were hesitant to go out for the sport playing with boys. It was discussed to send out surveys for next year to see how many girls would participate if an only girls team was a possibility. Sam will send out a survey emailed to 3rd and 4th grade girls' parents to see if there is any interest yet this year. Once known, will speak with Gina to see if there is a possibility of scrimmages against other schools or even the boys team.

7. Board Discussion Items:

- a. March Cash Raffle: Tasha stated ticket sales are going well. She has received back about 60 tickets with payment and has roughly 100 additional tickets out. Families can pick up their tickets at wreath pick up this week also.
- b. 150 Year Alumni Committee Checking Account: Julie met with Jennifer Schaefer about the committee. They are not a formal entity, but have funds going in and out for the event/celebration. The SBC was asked to house one additional checking for the committee to assist with deposits and withdrawing funds for costs towards the event. This would not influence our 501(c)3 status.
- c. Glow Dance: March/April 2025, TBD on exact date. We will coordinate with Gina and find an available date soon for the event. It was discussed to continue with 4K and 5K students needing parents to be present, but will add a statement that there will not be an assigned "guardian" for other, older students. We would like to change from Papa John's pizza this year, as kids have said they were sick of the same thing. We discussed the possibility of working with Jimmy John's or another place that would offer a discount on sub sandwiches. Sam will reach out to Jimmy John's for a donation for approximately 140 people.
 - i. Raffle Items: Julie had a letter that went to donators/sponsors last year for requests. We are hoping to start reaching out to businesses/companies now with the end of year approaching. She will send out the letter to members to start asking prior to year end.
- d. South Diamond Improvements: SEE ABOVE UNDER FORUM
- e. Off-Season Clinic Opportunities: The club discussed wanting to offer more off-season opportunities with the gym being available in February. We are open to clinics after school for baseball/softball again. Julie will talk with Gina to coordinate after the basketball season ends. Any members that have connections or ideas, send them to Julie. Does not need to only be on a volunteer basis. The club is open to paid positions as well if the structure is suitable. Tasha shared that Play-it-Again had offered a "fundraiser" for the batting cages back to the club and donated a portion of the fees. Julie will email her contact at Play-It-Again to see what the possibilities of the SBC participating in this are.
- f. FTI \$1,000 Donation: The SBC was selected as Faith Technologies' recipient of a donation for \$1,000. They would like to present a check to the club next week. The FTI contact offered next Monday or Tuesday afternoon at their Paramount location. Sam will email the individual to coordinate possibly having their team meet with SBC members as well as some of the athletes for the picture.

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g. Timbler Rattler Game fundraiser: Julie informed the club that the link is open. We discussed pushing the opportunity out to families as a possible Christmas gift. Sam will draft an email to be sent out.

8. Action Items

- a. Motion to approve Julie Grebe as the 3-4th grade co-ed team assistant basketball coach was made by Tasha, seconded by Beef and approved unanimously.
- b. Motion to approve a new checking account to be opened for the 150 Year Celebration Committee with Julie Grebe and Jennifer Schaefer as signers on the account was made by Destiny, seconded by Gina and approved by all.
- 9. Board Member Comments: N/A
- 10. Set Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, December 11 @ 4:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.
- 11. Motion to Adjourn was made by Tasha, seconded by Tracy and approved at 5:35 p.m.