

Board Meeting Minutes

August 18, 2024 at 4:00 pm in School Cafeteria

- 1. Call to Order at 4:09 p.m. Those in attendance were Tracy, Sam, Gina, Julie & Destiny.
- 2. Motion to Approve the Agenda was made by Gina, seconded by Destiny and approved by all.
- 3. Consent Items
 - a. Motion to approve June meeting minutes was made by Tracy, seconded by Gina and approved by all in attendance.
- 4. Forum Communications: None
- 5. Reports
 - a. Treasurer Report: Checking \$21,868.50; Peer Savings \$2,908.13; Savings \$3,963.86. These figures do not include volleyball and basketball uniform costs that have not yet been invoiced.
- 6. Board Discussion Items:
 - a. SBC Updates
 - i. Sports Engine: Following our June meeting discussion, we have decided to no longer use the Team Reach app. Sports Engine allows a more cohesive approach to communication, payments, registration, volunteer management and etc.
 - 1. SBC website: Sam demonstrated the Dibs sessions and general website layout. She will add SBC on Duty to Dibs as well as looking at adding refs so that Tasha knows who to pay for the upcoming soccer and volleyball seasons.
 - ii. SBC member apparel: Julie received the shirts ordered from Etsy, but they were not what we expected. We did receive a refund for the shirts and will be using Mae Rylie's to order different SBC shirts. Julie will email out links for options to choose from.
 - iii. SBC on Duty closing and opening updates: A document for opening & closing procedures at both concession stands was created. Sam will add the procedure for bank keys/deposit process to the document for members to review. It was also discovered the new popcorn machine requires two bags of popcorn in the kettle at once to avoid burning. It will be added to the procedure doc and posted on the outside of the machine for parent volunteers.
 - iv. Student/Parent Code of Conduct revised on 7.24: A new code of conduct for students and parents was drafted, to avoid solely using the signed code of conduct provided by the school. This will be SBC specific for our families. The Code will be added to online registration, and include verbiage to cover all parents/guardians and athletes. For example, "on behalf of myself and any other guardian associated with my account" for acknowledgement. Sam will make the necessary changes to our online registration for the 24/25 basketball season.
 - v. Renewal coaching contract: It was discussed adopting a procedure for returning coaches in good standing. For example, Gina & Darel have coached for the SBC for multiple years with consistent formal interviews. It was decided to change to a renewal coaching procedure after receiving the season survey results to see if we still want to bring them on as a coach. First year coaches for different sports or assistant to head coach would still need a formal interview. Returning coaches to have one short conversation for renewal with a deadline in place for first right of refusal to

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- ensure timely allowance to find another coach should they decline. We will not re-interview if the coach changes "levels" between the same sport (C team to B team) but the past head coach has first rights on the position with a deadline to extend the offer to someone else.
- vi. 501c(3) update: Julie is continuing to work with Menn Law on reinstating our status. It will cost approximately \$2k-\$3k, with the goal of completing it by the end of the year. All tax deductions for donations can be "back paid" two years into the past. We would also benefit from the tax exempt status in the future to save on costs associated with purchases for concession stands, equipment and etc.
- vii. Anonymous donation from local community member to the SBC in the amount of \$2500. This donation still has a remaining balance for use. \$780 went to 360U pitching camp this past softball season. The SBC remains open to ideas on how to use the funds in the future. Possible ideas included open gyms or clinics held at school and compensating the coaches/trainers, another 360U six week clinic this coming off season and anything else to further our programs and gain interest.

b. Softball & Baseball

- i. End of season re-cap
- ii. End of season surveys: Overall, the surveys provided good feedback. There were some concerns over the field conditions that Julie will bring to the community groups that own the fields. It was also noted that next season we would encourage coaches to utilize the reserved gym time on bad weather days or allow assistant coach to run practice if head coach cannot make it. It was discussed to share the results with coaches, gain our own feedback based upon response to see if an offer of coaching will be extended next year. Some softball parents would like to purchase uniforms with athlete's name on the back. Would need to survey parents on this to see where the interest is as there would be a significant cost increase.
- iii. Future volunteer opportunities for field maintenance, grilling, concession stand: Members discussed the possibility of some volunteer opportunities not being only parent driven, but reach out to community members. The SBC would be willing to train volunteers and add needs to the dibs site. We also discussed some jobs could be completed by HS or confirmation students, or student council members looking for volunteer hours. We would possibly keep some offerings internal and offer incentives to those that help. ("SBC All Star", a pizza party for five completed sessions, an "After Glow" party, and etc. There are opportunities year-long that could be added as a Capital Campaign.
- iv. Off-season opportunities: 360U reached out for another off season opportunity, but we are still looking for other options.

c. Volleyball & Soccer

i. Season kick-off update: The season starts on 8/19 with practices. Gina sent out an email/text to coaches for uniform hand out and picture date for the yearbook. Darel has asked for a few back up socks/shin guards and goalie gloves. There are 16 boys registered on the soccer team. Julie is working on obtaining an extra key for the scoreboard as Darel has the only copy. Sam is coaching the 4th-6th grade team, and they are playing a modified schedule, with some 5th and some 6th grade games. Gina will be coaching the 7th-8th grade team. Gina ordered a couple volley-lites as they continue to deflate. She also purchased hula hoops, ladders and hurdles for practices. 8/26 is the first game for soccer and both volleyball teams. Soccer plays @ 5:00 p.m. as well as 4th-6th

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- grade volleyball with the 7th-8th grade game scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Gina will reach out to Jodi and/or Tasha about SBC on Duty for soccer. Sam will create dibs for other home games with 2 dibs sessions for the volleyball home games.
- ii. July volleyball clinic recap: Gina hosted 25 kids, from 4 school districts. Overall great kids and sessions with good comments from Facebook. The districts present were Stockbridge, New Holstein, Hilbert & Reedsville. We raised \$675 in sponsors, with shirts costing \$425. We discussed looking at doing a non-school district participant premium for next year.
 - 1. Clinic sponsors: We had 10 total sponsors.
- iii. Clinic/open gyms opportunities for 3rd grade and below: It was discussed to host these in Jan/Feb on Mondays after the basketball season has concluded in the "lull".
- iv. SBC on duty: Dibs sessions for soccer and volleyball will be created and emailed out to members by Sam.

d. T-Ball/Sluggers

- i. Season re-cap: We hosted 21 Tball kids, 2 of which switched to sluggers and 11 sluggers participants. The SBC discussed the possibility of dropping Sluggers for Summer 2025 as many of the players also participate in Rookie Ball and Softball. Tball for the summer of 2025 will then include incoming 4k kids to incoming 1st grade students.
 - 1. Season sponsors: 12 sponsors helped cover the cost of shirts for participants.

e. Basketball

- i. Team numbers: Gina is not fully sure on numbers currently, possibly 3-8th, 2-7th, 2-6th, 5-5th grade for boys. It may mean all the boys practice together (5th/6th grade team & 7th/8th) then 6th grade boys could play up and/or down. Girls basketball will have one team playing at a 7th grade level. The co-ed 3rd-4th grade team will be offered again with practices/games in January. Registration will open September 9, 2024 and remain open for one week.
- ii. Coaching positions to post: We will need 4 coaches total. Sam will post the vacancies and they will be advertised on our website and Facebook pages. Nate Menzel has expressed interest in coaching boy's basketball again.
- iii. Open gym opportunities: Once registration has been completed, we will push notification to the families through Sports Engine searching for volunteers to run camps or open gyms.

f. Community Events Re-cap

- i. Stockbridge Parade: We were under budget on stickers so we purchased more candy to throw out. Julie upped it to 80 pounds and went through it all.
- ii. Community Appreciation Night: The event was smaller than last year, not as many village members or school board members. We discussed possibly including program/clinic sponsors next year to the invite.
- iii. SBC article in Stockbridge Village newsletter: Ted with the Village is supportive to adding SBC information to their quarterly newsletter. Any ideas or suggestions can be submitted to Julie for passing along to Ted.
- iv. SBC yearbook photos Yearbook photos of fall sports will take place on Thursday, August 22nd during practices.

g. Upcoming Fundraising Opportunities

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- i. Wreath Sale: We gross \$3k usually, so it was supported to continue this fundraiser again this fall. Julie will email Joe from Honeymoon Acres in New Holstein for current pricing. Destiny & Julie will work on prices for selling after that.
 - 1. Incentive for top sellers: It was decided to once again offer incentives. A Play it Again gift card for top three sellers will be gifted in the amount of \$125/\$75/\$45. We will also offer a chance to win a free porch pot with the sale of 5 porch pots. When closer to the event, a Dibs session will be created to help tie ribbons on.
- ii. Timber Rattler Fundraiser: The T Rats organization reached out to Julie for a fundraising opportunity. The SBC would choose a game, "SBC game night", with the game tickets purchased at a discount, SBC makes \$3/ticket. We would be recognized on the PA system, have a line up for the national anthem and a high five tunnel as the players exit the dugout. We could do a silent auction at the game, and the T Rats would help facilitate. Julie will reach out in October to pick a game for next season.

7. Action Items

- a. Motion to approve \$799 to purchase Sports Engine software for 1 year made by Destiny, seconded by Tracy and approved by all.
- b. Motion to approve and adopt the updated Student/Parent Code of Conduct: Revised on 7.24 made by Gina, seconded by Tracy and approved by all in attendance.
- c. Motion to approve Darel Schoening as head soccer coach made by Sam, seconded by Destiny and approved.
- d. Motion to approve Steve Hammen as assistant soccer coach made by Gina, seconded by Tracy and approved by all.
- e. Motion to approve Gina Meshak 7/8 th volleyball grade head coach made by Destiny, seconded by Sam and approved by all in attendance.
- f. Motion to approve Sam Bratz as 4 -6 th grade head volleyball coach made by Destiny, seconded by Tracy and approved.
- g. Motion to approve Shayna Tasch as 4-6 th grade assistant volleyball coach made by Gina, seconded by Tracy and approved.
- h. Motion to accept the resignation of Jodi Hammen as a SBC member made by Destiny, seconded by Gina and approved by all.
- i. Motion to adopt a renewing coaching contract made by Destiny, seconded by Sam and approved.
- 8. Board Member Comments: Julie stressed that she does not want any SBC member to feel overwhelmed, if you aren't able to contribute often or run fundraisers, the option to opt-out is always available.
- 9. Set Next Meeting Date: 9/25 @ 4:30 p.m. in Cafeteria
- 10. Motion to Adjourn was made a 6:56 pm by Gina, seconded by Tracy and approved by all.