

### **6 February 2008 Booster Club Meeting**

Membership Present: Principal, President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Brigands Wear Chairperson, Sports Banquet Committee Chairperson, Athletic Director, Student Representative, two Booster Club members

Meeting called to order 12:00

The minutes from the January Boosters Club meeting were approved as submitted.

### **Student Representative**

The student representative reported that the Student Council is trying to support and encourage Spirit Fridays. However, there has been a lack of response throughout the middle / high school.

### **Administration**

For the first time in recent history, swimmers who participated in the NATO Marlins Swim Club (NMS) and who have also met the DoDEA requirements will be receiving a varsity letter in swimming at the Winter Sports Banquet. The Principal asked the Athletic Director to make sure and add these students to the sports banquet program. Additionally, ground breaking on the new gym is scheduled for October 2008.

### **Vice President**

No report.

### **Secretary**

The approved minutes from the December meeting are posted on the BAS website.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer reported that the pancake breakfast brought in \$279 with \$36 in expenses. The rest of the income and expenses were contributed to Brigands Wear. The receipts for the prizes for the Winter Sports Banquet Tombola have been turned in. The \$50 GAP gift certificate cost \$35 and the \$25 itunes gift certificate was purchased for face value. As of 5 February the balance in the Boosters' AFCU checking account is \$5267.42 and in the savings account \$511.89.

### **Athletic Director**

The ice machine in the gym may be repaired soon. The Athletic Director thanked the Booster Club for the pancake breakfast and the community at large, specifically those who participated in housing visiting athletes. Wrestling Sectionals at Alconbury are approaching, and a community bus has been organized. Sectionals will be followed by both Wrestling Europeans and Basketball Europeans. Dead week is Feb 25-29. A soccer draft is out for the spring. The first game will be away (Alconbury) the weekend of 28-29 March. There will not be any games over the DoDEA Spring Break. There is not a draft yet for track. Tentatively, soccer and track Europeans will be held 21-24 May, and will not conflict with AP exams.

### Membership

No report.

### Booster Wear

The new pricing for Brigands Wear is in effect. There was a nominal increase across the board to attempt to regain shipping costs (\$1 - \$3 per item). Booster Club members will continue to receive a 10% discount on Brigands Wear. Inventory is currently well stocked.

### Sports Banquets

The Winter Sports Banquet is 28 February. Athletes will be recognized from basketball, wrestling and swimming. Two prizes have been chosen for the Tombola, a \$50 GAP gift certificate and a \$25 itunes gift card. A suggestion was made to possibly allow ticket holders to cast their ticket towards one prize or the other. DVDs will be on sale again for \$10 each.

### Publicity

The report was related through the President. Currently, the radio station is experiencing technical difficulties and the Voice of the Brigands is not on the air.

### Old Business

- The board decided to support the PTSO International Dinner by offering up to \$100 of Brigands Wear items as silent auction item(s). The Brigands Booster Wear Chairperson will decide which items to donate.

### New Business

- The Vice President proposed the formation of a new committee, the Spirit Committee. The spirit committee could (1) create posters and signs for hall décor (2) sponsor athlete/senior tributes (including families) (3) sponsor Blue and White days (4) create buttons for the parents (5) create locker signs for athletes (6) place DB and PNL announcements concerning Booster Club and sporting events (7) support familiarization with the school song through creative teaching techniques (rewards!) (8) support the pep band with posters that will help lead the crowd with cheers. This outline was supported and then fleshed out with multiple comments. Senior athlete tributes and the Booster Club's involvement was discussed, consistency was stressed. Another suggestion was to make the Publicity committee a part of the Spirit Committee. The President recommended developing this idea and asked the Athletic Director to speak with the coaches. The Student Representative was also urged to talk to the students at large. Finally, it was decided that Booster board members who were interested should get together after the meeting to further develop the Spirit committee proposal.

The next Booster Club meeting is scheduled for 5 March, 2008.

The meeting was adjourned approximately 12:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary