

Present: Lavar, Tiffanie, Dalesha, Sierra, Anika, Cathy, Melissa, Bev

6:45pm – Meeting called to order

Meeting minutes – accepted and approved

Treasurer's report – accepted and approved

Fees - \*\*open discussion\*\*

- Tiffanie wants each sport to have enough funds in their account to cover a season
- Many fees are due before fees are collected
- Players are just now starting to pay for basketball and cheer, but they have been practicing for 2 weeks
- Blue Sombrero and Stripe can work together. \$3 fee to Blue Sombrero. 2.9% fee to Stripe
- Fee now added to budget which will be embedded into the registration fee
- People should apply for sibling discount and scholarship before registering
- Reasonable to not force a payment registration but it should still be available for parents to pay or maybe a \$20 minimum due at time of registration. The \$20 will be a non-refundable fee.

Website – Anika

- Cost for Blue Sombrero/Sports Connect, we are not utilizing it. We can set up everything on the website. Work smarter, not harder. It would cost us more to use it to collect payments, but how much more?

Doc-U-Sign – Tiffanie

- \$336 was paid for doc-u-sign and no one has used it.
- CYSA does require parents' signature, so it will be used for softball
- We load the form and then send a link to the parents for them to sign. They can also complete the form as well.

Scholarships & Payments – Cathy

- 8 people on the softball team is a bare minimum. If one player doesn't pay, then the entire team wouldn't be able to play?
  - Correct, we will have to refund all paid players
- We have some repeat offenders, parents think they can get away without paying.
- \*\*\*open discussion about this issue\*\*\*

Basketball – Lavar

- Money should be collected much sooner.
- What happens when after Christmas and parents don't pay?
  - Practice has been going on
  - Uniforms are already given out
  - Game schedules come out in January
  - Parents drop kids off (as if we are a babysitting service)
  - Teams are formed

#### Budgets – Tiffanie

- Budgets need to be turned in sooner. Just add 10% off prior year, no need to wait for actual fees. When doing a budget, we are just trying to get close. It may be over or under, but we just want to be close.

#### Baseball – Dalesha

- We want a pitching machine that we can take to practices
- Electricity at Rockwood that we can use
- Suggest getting a pitching machine for baseball and softball
- CBC Camps – winter and spring camp over 6 weeks. Would like to send camp information through Dr Rucker on her Sunday message.
- Afton created survey and sent it out to baseball families as Anika requested. Anika reviewed the results, and the families would like additional coaching. This camp would help provide that. \$200 cost for one.
- If we have money in our budget, then the association can pay for half.
- PAA parent point of view – PAA Baseball was a little unorganized
  - Switching from being a parent to a coach
  - Set up coaches as much as possible
  - Need to get volunteers – get the right people in place
  - Let the coaches know to create a practice plan – or help them create one
  - Communication is very important; we need to work on this
  - Start earlier on recruiting players and coaches

#### Basketball – Lavar

- 5 teams
- Return head coaches from previous years
- 1 new coach
- 1 volunteer parent stepped up to coach
- Don't be afraid to ask for help. Anika emailed and texted requesting coaches
- Could do better on social media accounts (added Anika to PAA Facebook page)
- Paperwork goes in tomorrow

#### Tiffanie

- Brandon – Annual communication plan

#### Softball – Cathy

- Flyer – have not heard back yet for approval to send to Providence Elementary, Davis Elementary, Reams Elementary and Chalkey Elementary
- Do we want to send to more schools?
  - Stick with current schools
  - Maybe reach out to principals to ass to their weekly message
- Volunteer refund – if not requested then it just stays with the sport
- \$22 cheapest jersey
- Get a link for payment plan? Something will need to be done to make them work, links already exist.

- Softball budget – 12 coaches, 4 per team is correct. Jerseys listed in 2 spots; Tiffanie updated. Long term savings for baseball and softball will be \$250 per year for field dirt (cost about \$1500 for 15 tons).
  - \$115 per person registration fee
  - \$25 jersey
  - \$20 PAA membership fee
  - \$160 TOTAL
- Softball budget approved

#### Membership

- Tiffanie has created a membership form which will track our membership fees
- Michele's form collects a lot more information

#### Website – Anika

- The website (Sports Connect) will allow us to run a report to show paid fees for registration and membership
- We should look into using Sports Connect that way

#### Basketball – Lavar

- Parents uploaded birth certificates, but we cannot access them

#### Cheer - Sierra

- Try on uniforms will be delivered Friday
- \$90 uniform cost to parents, will cost us \$80 plus extra to expedite. Parents will need to get turtlenecks. So, we are back to traditional uniforms
- \$400 additional for jackets and pants
- Sierra, Rhonda and Marie are the coaches. No other parents that said they would volunteer have shown up to volunteer
- Fundraising for uniforms and to have money in our budget for team building activities. Krispy Kreme and Popcorn fundraising ideas. 50/50 raffle worked great for softball, they raised \$1800 total, \$900 to PAA and \$900 to winner
- Only 11 cheerleaders are actually showing up for practices
- Deadline to order uniforms is coming up, do I order for all? Even though they have not paid or just order for those that show up or pay?
- Anika mailed off CCL fees

Many open positions need to be filled; we will need a secretary. Bev's last meeting will be January 2023. All PAA records are with Michele Nichols.

8:20pm meeting adjourned