

## August KP Boosters Minutes

**Minutes taken by:** Patti Akrouche

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM

**Attendance:** Patti Akrouche, Mary Bushway, Tom Howard, Dan Mason, Marge Ducharme, Jen Burks, Cathy Pimentel, Steve Schairer

**June's Minutes:** Reviewed and accepted

**Treasurer's Report:** No report given Treasurer away, not much action on the account during the summer months. We did receive a check from Norfolk Rec for three seasons on the calendar. Diane V. Designer Photography and Doherty Flowers both sent in money for the fall calendar (\$100) and a \$50 check from Norfolk Rec for the Girl's Softball. We also received the monthly bank statement. The checks and statement will be given to Donnie when he returns from vacation.

**Athletic Director:** Steve has received one written estimate on the trophy cabinet for \$9,750.00 and one verbal estimate for \$9,000.00. Another person came and looked at the job but Steve hasn't received an estimate yet. Steve will contact him regarding the estimate. Since two board members weren't at the meeting we will wait until they come back to vote on the cabinet. The board members that were at the meeting thought we should wait until after the 3 on 3 tournament in October to see how much money we make on that before we spend such a large amount. The cabinet won't really benefit the student athletes that are now attending KP. The high school intended to include the cabinet when the renovations were being done; due to funding it wasn't done.

Steve also received a letter from All-American Sports Posters regarding doing our

Sports calendar. They would do all the work and get the sponsors and we would get a portion of the funds. Since we have already received sponsors for this year's calendar we told Steve that it certainly wouldn't be done this year. We can revisit this in the spring.

Freshman orientation is Thursday August 27<sup>th</sup>; Steve asked if someone wants to give a presentation for the Boosters and if not he would be willing to do it for us.

Tom Howard volunteered to give the presentation. The plan is to distribute a letter along with a membership application and a KP sticker to all incoming freshman parents. Patti will do a welcome letter, Mary offered to get copies of the membership application and get the 325 stickers needed for the freshman. Cathy Pimentel has offered to man the table in the library and answer any questions the parents might have. Stickers and membership applications will also

be available. Cathy said she will get students that need community service hours to help with putting the packets together.

**Booster's Web Site:** Dan Mason discussed his meeting with Sean McInnis regarding switching the web site. There were a few items that were discussed. One was that with the new site we would have to pay a higher yearly fee than we presently pay. We would be able to have people sign up for membership online and sign up for fundraisers. There would be two fees taken out before the funds came back to the Boosters. Dan is checking into lower fees for paying online. He also felt that the web site would be limited regarding the design of the site. It would look very similar to the other sites using the same company. Since we only have about 79 members at this time we decided to wait on switching over the web site. If membership increases and we find a need for the other site we will revisit this. Dan has done a great job with the site and said he doesn't mind continuing to do it. We would like to be able to let members pay online, Dan will get back to us with information on that.

**Tom Howard:** Tom made a presentation for signs that would go on the press box of the bleachers saying Home of The King Philip Warriors and signs for the dug outs. The signs can be seen from 140. All the members that attended the meeting thought the signs looked great. He has gotten numerous quotes for the job and the best quote is \$2,400.00. The job could be done within the next couple of weeks and would be up and finished by the first home game on 9/11. The signs are good quality and will last for years to come. Patti will send an e-mail to Donnie and Sue to ask for their vote. Hopefully we will be able to move on this next week. All the board members in attendance were for this and feel it is something the Boosters should do.

**Fundraising:** Cathy got some new prices on the shopping bags, the minimum order is 1000 and it seems like we would only make \$1000 and that would be after all 1000 bags were sold. That would probably take a few years and we decided to put that on hold and look into other fundraising items that would make more money.

**Cushions:** We are still looking for decent cushions to sell but so far the numerous samples that have been sent to us aren't what we are looking for. Mary has placed a call to a Norfolk resident and is waiting for a response.

Tom Howard had two really good suggestions: Thunder Sticks which he brought samples to the meeting in Green and Gold and all board members liked them. They could be sold at all the games and seem like good money makers. Tom also mentioned popcorn holders that are also a megaphone. We could sell the popcorn in the concession at higher price and we would make money. The younger kids would love it and there are lots of younger kids at the football

games. All the board members at the meeting were in favor of ordering those. We are also looking into blankets as a fundraiser that will be discussed at the next meeting when we have more information.

Concession stand: No one has stepped up to run the concession stand. Patti and Mary will continue to run the concession stand. Football and possibly cheerleads Will be responsible for having 6 parent volunteers at each home game, all profits will go to the Boosters. Tom is contacting Brian Lee regarding the volunteers. They will have to provide Patti and Mary with a list of volunteers by Monday for a Friday game. **NO VOULUNTEERS NO CONCESION STAND.** We have five home games this year and the first one is 9/11.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM