CARDINAL BASEBALL BOOSTERS Meeting Minutes

*Monday December 5, 2022 6:00PM – CRHS Conference room*

Called to Order by Tracy Manders at 6:05 PM

In attendance: Tracy Manders, Becky Beck, Dorrie Novak, Sheila Ness, Christy Otte, Coach Mossey, Travis Ness, Catherine Dutton, Andy Chase

Guests: Jeremy Johnson (CRCLL president)

Secretary’s Report: Becky Beck. Minutes from Oct 10, 22 meeting presented and approved (Sheila-motion, Dorrie-2nd)

Treasurer’s Report: Dorrie Novak/Kari Myhre.

* Balances: Checking - $16,839.19, Savings - $8890.80
* Treasurer’s report presented and approved (Coach Catherine-motion, Christie-2nd)

Coach’s Report - Coach Mossey

* 98% of schedule is complete.
* Purchased bat rack for varsity dugout ($200).
* No movement on wind screen.
* Kurt (AD) is working to finish new back field for 2023 usage. It will be completed in phases/list. Field updates still needed include protected dugouts, scoreboard, cages, shed, etc.
* Priced out different replacements for portable batting cage (Turtle), FROM $5995 to $7200. Current one is about 20 years old.
* Captain's practice to start Jan 14, 2023 and end March 11, 2023. Saturdays, either 11-12:30 (underclass) or 12:30-2 (uppers). Cost is $225. Coach Mossey will send out a link soon.
* Senior night game will be Friday, May 12, 2023. Sections start May 31, 2023.

***Motion* – Allocate $6500 to purchase a Portable Batting Cage (Turtle).**  **Motion by Christy Otte, seconded by Sheila Ness, motion approved by unanimous vote.**

Coach's Report - Coach Bright

* Coach Bright was absent, and Coach Mossey provided an update. Coach Bright is continuing to work on 1993 State championship recognition at April 15, 2023 game. With Kurt's (AD) help, we will have a banquet or luncheon.

Mat Bandits will help with food cost. Ada is working with Coach Bright as well.

**Board Members Report**

President – Tracy Manders

* Non-profit Renewal – Done; good for another year.
* Grocery Bagging at Northdale Cub – (see Fundraising section at the end of minutes.)
* Booster Invite - Continue to send out invites to current parents and incoming freshman parents.

Vice President – Sheila Ness

* FMSC is set for March 30, 2023 from 7 - 8:45, check-in at 6:30.

Signs/Sponsors – Dorrie Novak

* Dorrie received a list of local Chamber of Congress businesses with the contact email. She reached out to allfor sponsorship and got back some responses. Sean Novack Agency (new sponsor).
* Responses from Chickafila and Famous Daves to for follow-up.
* New signs are $425 and renewals are $225. Mike Hanley did our signs earlier this year. His son no longer attends CRHS.
* We have 10 current sponsors. Still need to reach out to existing sponsors for renewal, except recent donors.
* Last year we sent an email out to all parents regarding sponsorship leads.

Website – Becky Beck

Becky will continue to put the next Booster meeting date/location on the CRHS Baseball website. Will also add short descriptions to the open positions listed on the website. Removed link to AH credit donation app.

Open Positions details

* Volunteer Rep – Open Position - This position would coordinate any volunteers for special events like Senior day, youth day, etc.
* Signing/Sponsors – Open Position - Dorrie will provide a description of this position. She explained that she sends out the invoices and asks for art images for signs. Discussion that the best approach to voluteer position would be a team of 3-4 persons. Contacts and associated tasks can then be divided amongst the team.
* 9th Grade Rep – Open Position - Typically is a 9th grade parent. Andy Chase may be able to help but his son is a 10th grader. Coach Mossey can try to provide contact emails of 9th graders planning to try out in the Spring.

Grade Representatives - no updates

* 9th grade – Open
* 10th grade – Christy Otte
* 11th grade – Sheila Ness
* 12th grade – Tracy Manders

Follow-up from 10/10/22 Meeting

* Fundraising – Ideas for 2023
* 2022 Fundraising/Volunteer
* AH Credit Union – People did not like that you had to download an App.
* Chipotle – Had some issues in 2022; will need to promote it better.
* Papa Murphy Card - We will likely do this again.
* Other ideas
* Texas Roadhouse gives back 10% and off giftcards sold.
* Impact fundraising – used for Hockey, is organized with incentives.
* Sammy’s Pizza – percentage; hand out flyers

New Fundraising Discussion

* Start fundraising effort earlier, like in January.
* Reach out to new businesses (Shine car wash & Zupas)
* Cub grocery bagging - Riverdale Cub on the Saturday before Easter Sunday 4/8/23. Contact – Rob Racine. Northdale Cub has many openings for team bagging groceries as well. Should be a weekend day. Hockey did really well recently with Cub bagging.
* Make fundraising emails more personable by including a team video, possibly with the captains.
* Other businesses to reach out to - Jersey Mikes, Canes, Chickafila, Smash Burger, Pizza Ranch. Put on school website, email and social media when a fundraising event is coming up.

CRHS Baseball and CR Cardinal Little League

* Discuss different ways that CRHS Baseball can be involved with CRCLL.
* Youth Night at CRHS home game - May 16, 2023 should work.
* Can include activities like having little leaguers on the field prior to game and including 12 year-olds with starters as announced on field.
* Either provide food or work with a food truck company. Some offer % of sales. Can offer prizes or raffle for little leaguers. Urban Air could provide free passes possibly.
* Sheila, Tracy and Christy will work on Youth night planning.
* CRHS players to come to CRCLL opening day May 6, 2023.
* CRHS players to come to a little league practice.

2023 Baseball Banquet

Discussion to use Banquets of MN again since the cost is all-inclusive. Dorrie will call them to determine a good date. Probably late May 2023 prior to sectionals starting.

Future Topics

* Tryouts
* Parent Meeting date
* Parent Fees
* Helmet fitting
* Booster Club Insurance

**Next Meeting Date – Monday January 9th 7:00 PM**

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM, motion-Sheila, 2nd-Christy