LSHS Booster Club Meeting

20 DECEMBER 2023 / 6:00 PM

Attendees:

Coach Anderson, Coach Connor, Jennifer Dominguez, Andrea Stanley, Brandy Reese, Miesha Smith, Bryan Williams, Thomas Smith, Angela Tillis, Kanika McClary, Odetta Wiggins, Frances Baker, Jacqueline Onyango, Tamika Scott, Reginald Scott, Colette Jackson, Masa Gumiro Sr.

Agenda Topics:

Meeting started at 6pm and the following topics were discussed.

Concessions

• We need help! Concession stand help is needed by parents of all players. Please sign up for a game to help out. This is a small part of the program, but a great fundraiser. Concessions sales last year were \$13,916.20, and after expenses, we made about \$8,300 from concessions alone. The 2023 profit for concessions so far is \$3, 224.67. This is not including the approximate amount of \$2659 that was earned via concessions during the Wakeland game on 12/19/2023. We do not want to be forced to close the concession stand for the season due to lack of volunteers.

Uptempo Fundraiser

- What did we raise? Total amount raised after fees were paid is \$21,726.42.
- How these funds will benefit our program going forward.
- Discuss allowance allotted to coaches does this need to be reviewed? Last year the coaches were allotted \$2500 to use at their discretion. Part was used for locker room decor and part for subscription to the recruiting website for all teams.
- At our next meeting (in January), we will vote on how much money the coaches will be allotted this year. We will touch base with the coaches in January to get their suggested amount based on the needs of the program.
- What can we provide for our athletes now using some of the money that was raised? Due to the fact that athletes are required to stay and watch all 3 teams and each home and away game, a parent suggested providing snacks for athletes on game night.
 - At home games, each player would receive a concession stipend for one food item and one beverage (maximum \$6 for each player/manager). This

would add up to approximately \$1800 total for all remaining home games. Coaches will provide rosters for concession workers to track players that have received their free items. This is another reason why concession volunteers are needed to assist with providing all of our athletes with their allotted snack and drink.

- For away games, boosters will provide drinks and snacks that the coaches will give to players and managers before leaving Lone Star for the game. The goal is to get the snacks and drinks to the coach the day before the away game to allow the coaches the opportunity to choose the distribution time.
- There were many other suggestions for using the funds: shoes for the team, cost of team bonding meals, additional banquet tickets for each player, . However, they were not discussed any further at this time, because we have to be careful about gifting items to players. The district gifting amount allowed for each athlete is \$70 and we also don't want this amount to cut into senior night for those players.
- What amount do we need to carry over for next season? Everyone was asked to start thinking about what this means for our program and fundraising next year.

Committee Help Needed

Senior Night

- Dates: Girls senior night is the last home game (2/6) and the boys senior night is the following week (2/9).
- What does the night look like? Last year, the parents of all seniors were given a rose. All senior boys and girls received gift bags that included items like a travel bag, gift cards, candy, things they could use in college. The boys also had large action shot framed photos. The committee will meet to come up with ideas for the seniors' gifts (boys and girls).
- Maximum spend per athlete is \$70.00
- Committee volunteers: Holley Carr, Angela Jones and Jackie Onyango.
- If you need action shots for senior gifts be sure to get with Heather to make sure the action shots are done early.
- Seniors
 - Boys: 6 players and 1 manager
 - Girls: 5 players and 2 managers (Coach Anderson will confirm this number later)

Year End Banquet

- Dates? Wednesday, March 27, 2024 Coaches would prefer to have the banquet on a Monday or Wednesday, due to athletes moving onto other sports and being busy on other nights.
- Venue -last year's venue was Frisco ISD Athletic Admin building and we would like to use this location again. Ann Ludlow is the district contact. We need to extend the booking time for the banquet room this year to allow more time for decorating and to allow people time to leave the venue. Dee will contact Ann via email about booking the room for March 27th, extended booking time, and ask how far out can the room be booked for future events.
- Caterer, decorations, and additional activities (if needed) to be done at the banquet will be discussed by the committee.
- Committee volunteers: Masa Gumiro, Loretta Gumiro, Nicole Williams, Brian Williams, Frances Baker (able to assist with setup and cleanup), and Colette Jackson (able to assist with cleanup)
- Maximum spend? Last year's spend we spent \$2,900. Last year we voted to spend \$4,100 for this year's banquet. This amount includes location, decorations and dinner. Athletes' tickets are included. Additional tickets are based on food costs only.

Votes:

Voted on concession allowance and snacks and drinks for district home and away games. Starting with Jan 2nd games. Andrea motioned , seconded by Brandi, all in favor yes.

Additional Topics/Questions:

Are there any concerns with doing Uptempo every year? Only concern with doing it every year is that the amount of participation and donations could dwindle with each year. Ultimately, this is something that the parents would vote on each year. If parents want to do it, we will do it. From a treasurer's perspective, we need to have a plan on spending the money raised each year. Raising too much and not spending could put us in a different non-profit bracket.

Next Meeting

Next meeting will be in January. The exact day and time will be communicated via email and SportsYou later.