

Memo

To: Board of Trustees
From: Matt Holtry, Athletic Director
CC: R. Sauer, Superintendent; Dion Flaming, Principal
Date: 1/7/2014
Re: Athletic Director Report January 7, 2014

Homedale Board of Trustees,

We are just over the mid point with Girls Basketball with Boys Basketball and Wrestling just getting into the thick of their season.

Girls Basketball-

The Varsity Girls Basketball team is currently 10-2 and 2-0 in conference, JV is 9-3 and 1-1 and Frosh/Soph is 3-7 and 1-1. The girls program is just getting into the meat of the conference schedule and they are showing great promise. The Girls JV District Tournament will be held in Parma on February 1, 3, and 5 at Parma. The Varsity Girls Districts will be held February 8, 11, and 13 at TVCC in Ontario.

Boys basketball-

The boys basketball program played over break in the Elite 8 tournament in Nampa. Varsity went 2-1 in the tournament and had a good showing while beating Canyon Ridge out of Twin and Columbia High School with its only loss being to Skyview. The JV was also 2-1 and made it to the Championship falling to Nampa in the Championship. Currently the Varsity is 8-2, JV 8-2 and Frosh/Soph 7-0. These teams are just now getting ready to start conference play and we are looking forward to seeing their progress.

Wrestling-

We are currently 7 and 1 in duals and Glens Ferry Tournament Champions.
We have some strong individuals:

9	Jacob Furlott	10-5
9	Caleb Meligan	5-2
10	John Collett	3-2
10	Nash Johnson	11-1
11	Devin Fisher	4-1
11	Colton Grimm	3-1
12	Curtis Stansell	5-5

We are also looking forward to getting Michael Deleon and Jovan Cornejo back in the line-up. We lost Andrew Randall to injury this season.

We certified 40 kids this season, which might be a record. We don't have all 40, but we currently have a **full** wrestling room with around 31.

We have a very busy January set: 11th Skyview Duals, 17th-18th Magic Valley Classic, 24th-25th Parma Invitational, Feb. 1st Rodger Nash Duals.

Financial-

---See attached---

Other news-

---Baseball Scoreboard- After receiving a second bid from Fair-play at a comparable product. We are looking at a difference of \$217 in cost. In my opinion the Daktronics is known for being the higher end as far as quality product even though it is a little more expensive. Two other incentives for going with Daktronics is that they have a personal sales rep that is willing to come out and meet with us to trouble shoot as they did with our basketball scoreboards and our basketball scoreboard controls are interchangeable with the baseball scoreboard in case one goes down for some reason. If given the okay I would like to move forward with this purchase as soon as possible.

---Fall Coaches Evaluations and Recommendations for next year---I will have these to present to the board for the February Board meeting.

---Facility Upgrade Project---I am in the midst of trying to raise funds for the following 3 part project. First I would like to see the press box down at Deward Bell Stadium be doubled in length. On Friday nights it is a nightmare for our staff, the opposing staff, the announcer, clock keeper, stat keeper, films for home/away and media all to fit in the current press box. This structure is also used by the Middle school for home games, Youth Sports for Saturday home games, as well as high school track. My idea is to double the length of the press box by simply cutting out a door in the current box and building directly next to it extending towards the scoreboard over the concessions stand.

I would also like to create some sort of school spirit in our entrance to the stadium. At many stadiums across the state you see either a statue of the mascot, the school logo, or some sort of focal point for the entrance. I would like to see a large double side 3D metal cut out of the schools HT at the entrance to the stadium that would be held up by arching metal framework.

The final part of my 3 piece project would be to finish the baseball fence to finish up the look of our baseball facility. The fence simply needs the wood and materials to finish what has already been started at each end of the fence as well as two sliding gates that would allow access for the football teams to enter and exit with its equipment to use the outfield during football stadium. This would also help to keep kids/visitors out of the baseball facilities during home football games and home track meets. Our baseball facilities are close to being one of the top in the conference and I think by completing this, with the addition of the new scoreboard, it would bring a lot of pride to the program.

We have had Ideal Custom homes do an initial bid for this project and estimated numbers are around the \$15,000 range to get all 3 of these things accomplished. This is a ballpark estimate as we all agreed that we may be able to get a lot of the materials and labor donated. I just wanted to get an estimate so I could bring it to the board for approval to move forward with the project before I started going out and looking for donations.

We have already received \$3,500 in donations that we can put towards this project and I think that with sponsorships of which we could hang on the press box and the baseball fence I feel like we can raise the necessary funds to accomplish this goal. I have attached the initial bid. This Project is separate from the baseball Scoreboard as we already have designated funds to go towards this purchase, as it is something I feel is a must.