

Activities Committee Minutes

7am - Monday, April 6 - HS Office Conference Room

Present: Mark Jenson, Jason Kuehn, Justin Hegg, Mickey Okeson, Josh Omang, Julie Smith Yliniemi, Cali Harrier, Vern Schnathorst

Absent: None

Introduction to the committee and its purpose. I can have a quick description of the committee's purpose. From my side it is similar to the facilities, transportation and other district committees. It is to inform and discuss issues/information related to that area, in a small group setting to keep all informed which in return is reported back to the Board at a monthly board meeting to keep them informed.

1. 24-25 [Participation Numbers](#)
2. Central Lakes Conference Update
 - a. Honors Choir/Band this week 10-15/school in each choir and band Contest followed by honors concert that practiced on Monday.
 - b. Successful winter
3. GoFan - Online Ticketing used by whole CLC
 - a. Concerts/Musical/Prom
4. Revisit Winter Cheer Proposal - Approved at last meeting for 2025-26 budget year
 - a. Revisit with budget concerns?
 - b. Has not gone to the board yet.
 - c. Cost(\$4000 - Currently budgeted for Fall Additional season of coaching(6%) In Master Agreement
 - d. Currently on schedule C but not budgeted
 - e. Will be added to possible cuts shared by Jason
5. MSHSL Section Assignment Updates Info
 - a. Appeal down girls hockey approved
 - b. Section alignments should come out later today
 - c. Classification Alex Sartell, SRR, Tech(Football)
 - d. District FB -1st week of June will get schedule
6. Faith Christian School(Now K-12) - Eligibility
 - a. Renewal of joint agreement for participation may not be possible as they are expanding to a full high school.
 - b. No longer eligible to participate at the varsity level as they will have a HS going forward.
 - c. What does this look like going forward?
 - i. Would need Cooperative agreements for them to compete at the varsity level.
 - ii. MS participation - sticky for 7-12 activities and confusing if they can participate in some activities but not others.
7. Fall Parent/Athlete Meetings(Review)
 - a. Small number in attendance based on number of participants we have
 - b. Small numbers for fall sport meeting after so they have another meeting
 - c. Many options were discussed in an effort to improve attendance
 - d. We will pilot a short video that Rob will produce that can be shared at the individual sport meetings and discontinue the large meeting prior to fall sports
 - e. Rob will also do a short presentation at the fall open house for all freshman
 - f. Review effectiveness next winter at activities Committee Meeting

- g. Rob will check if it can be integrated into the Affinity registration process
- 8. Proposed Activity Fees/Budget Review(Jason)
 - a. Increase HS from \$135 to \$150
 - i. Agreed to freeze fees at \$135 per \$15,000 additional donation from the DLAF
 - b. Increase MS from \$75 to \$80
 - i. Agreed to freeze fees at \$80 per \$15,000 additional donation from the DLAF
 - c. Proposed Facility Fees
 - i. Hockey \$315
 - ii. Gymnastics \$200
 - iii. Robotics \$100
 - d. Jason shared a sheet with possible coaching positions that could be eliminated to help with cost containment
- 9. Proposed 2025-26 Ticket Prices
 - a. Single Game remain the same at Adult \$7 and Student \$5
 - b. Proposal to Increase Season Pass fees: Adult from \$45 to \$60 Student: From \$5 to \$10.
- 10. SAA Account Changes
 - a. Most well received
 - b. Challenge to help individuals with need(Apparel)
 - c. Apparel Orders(store)
 - d. Coaches would like to use personal CC and be reimbursed. Feel it is difficult to get check in advance for meals etc.. Explained that the process is the same to get a check before or after. Just takes some planning. We are OK with small and one off expenses being paid and reimbursed but should try to request in advance as much as possible.
 - e. Coaches/Rob are now receiving and monitoring SAA transactions deposits on a monthly basis
- 11. Fundraising
 - a. Continue to try to find alternatives to selling items(Popcorn, coffee etc)
 - b. Painless Fundraisers - Youth Tournaments etc
 - c. Challenges are most fundraising companies are operating the same so there are limited different options. Verna Also shared it is nice to keep manageable from a coaches standpoint with all of the duties on their plate.
 - d. Julie suggested maybe we start a fundraiser committee and set a deadline to submit fundraising requests for the year or each season.
 - i. Clarification/Details of process
 - ii. Should be education based
- 12. Sustainability of programs keeping coaches
 - a. Still tons of coaching/advisor turnover at the MS and frequently at the HS.
 - i. Need to hire people that are willing to take on after school activities.
 - ii. With the number of opportunities we offer it will be difficult if we are hiring staff that aren't willing to take on these positions.
- 13. Additional Items - None
- 14. Meeting adjourned.