

Erie High School Booster Club Meeting Minutes Monday October 10th, 2022 - 7:00pm

Call to Order - 7:04pm

Roll Call

Abbey Fluckinger - President

Matt Powell - Vice President

Jenn Slater - Secretary

Kate Arnold - Treasurer

Michelle Hall - After Prom

Michelle Kelley (via Zoom) - Bingo

Kim Fluckinger - Technical Support

Approval of Minutes - Kate A. motioned to approve the minutes from our meeting on September 13, 2022. Matt P. seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposition. Motion approved.

President's Report - Abbey Fluckinger

Abbey noted that she moved unilaterally with allowing member votes on grant funding and will bring all decisions to a board vote in the future.

What is going well with The Booster Club?

- Spirit Wear sales are going well. The shed is in place, so the logistics of selling gear is easier.
- Growing our social media audience and overall awareness of Booster Club is growing - Jenn
- The visibility of the Booster Club is increasing due to our presence at football games, Briggs Street Bash, etc. - Matt
- After Prom was successful and amazing - Abbey

Challenges within the Booster Club:

- Matt - Regarding the signs for the football field, the school district is holding up the process. They are working to overcome the issues, but it will be a challenge nonetheless.
- As a club, we are lacking in human capital. Areas with a high need include help with the calendar, open board positions and succession planning. We are still having difficulty with getting people involved.

Discussion of Articles of Incorporation

Michelle H. suggested we make it clear that upon our dissolution, all assets are to be donated to Erie High School. Abbey pointed out that should the Booster Club dissolve there would be a vote to allocate the funds first, and that this is standard language for Articles of Incorporation.

Kate A. made a motion to approve the Articles of incorporation as presented. Abbey seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor, no one was opposed. Motion approved.

Discussion of New Bylaws

Abbey noted several key points in the document: Officers & Directors are the same thing. We are legally obligated to have members. Our current bylaws ask for \$1 membership. Members are responsible for approving the bylaws. We need to make sure we are in compliance with our by-laws.

While membership is open to everyone in the EHS community, you have to sign up to be a member. If you have not signed up to be a part of the Booster Club, you are not a member. We need to place wording on our sign-up sheets that states that by signing your name you are volunteering to be a member of the Booster Club.

Michelle noted that previously, providing your email and showing up to volunteer has been considered membership.

A quorum in our new bylaws is 3 people or 10% of members.

There are 6 Items that Members can vote on - Amending the Articles of Incorporation, Amending By-laws, Election of Directors, Approving Mergers, Approving non-judicial Dissolution, and Revoking non-judicial Dissolution.

Several members noted that Member voting rights need to be clarified on our website.

We need to specify what member voting rights are, what they can vote on vs. what the board can vote on. Do we want to make changes?

Abbey made a motion for a vote to recommend for a membership voting approval as written in the updated bylaws.

Three options:

- Approve Michelle's By-laws

- Approve Attorney By-laws

- Not approve, host meeting with attorney

Michelle H. presented a document with proposed changes to the old and new Bylaws, including changes to the Voting Board of Directors and the VP Roles.

Jenn noted that Section 3.01 Needs to be updated as it currently states that the Board will have a minimum of 3 members with a maximum of 5. If we want to include committee members as having the same voting rights as the current board, this will have to change.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board decided to have a separate meeting regarding the bylaws. Abbey will create Google documents that we can all add our edits to for our review, and include in our discussion of the bylaws.

We will meet via Zoom on Sunday night, October 16th, at 7pm.

Treasurer Report - Kate Arnold & Michelle Kelley

Kate presented a Statement of Activity for September 2022 for the Booster Club. This was shared with the Board, and Kate will upload this to our website.

Kate presented our Proposed Booster Club Budget for Aug. 2022-July 2023.

Abbey suggested we take \$20,000 from scholarships to put towards grants, considering the current needs presented in our grant requests.

Michelle can't predict how much we will have at the end of the year for Bingo, or whether we can make up the shortfall in scholarships, but is in favor of the budget change.

Matt made a Motion to move \$20,000 from scholarships to grants. Kate seconded the motion. All present were in favor, no one was opposed. Motion approved.

Matt made a Motion to approve a new budget. Jenn seconded the motion. All present were in favor, no one was opposed. Motion approved.

Committee Reports

Bingo - Bingo is gearing up for their big event on Saturday October 22nd. They are still seeking groups to help all day with this event. They have 4 slots they need to fill.

Concessions - Krista still needs an assistant. Softball asked if they could do their own concessions for their regional tournament, but this presents issues. Instead, the softball players will provide players to run concessions for the softball tournament.

Teacher Appreciation - \$610 in donations garnered, Michelle H. has taken care of the food. Jenn & Kate will do clean up on Tuesday after Spirit Wear sales.

Spirit Wear - A BSN online store will open soon, but will also search for a new vendor in the future.

Grant Making

EHS has a single Booster Club, other schools have multiple booster clubs for their sports. However, we function as if we have multiple Booster Clubs with individual sports raising their own funds.

Do we want the vision of the Booster Club moving forward to be that we do fundraising for all of the sports/clubs/activities?

Michelle H. says no.

Mat, Kate, Jenn, Krista say yes.

Abbey discussed ways to increase membership, including having Kim Fluckinger become a Membership Chair.

Due to the time, further discussions of the Grant request guidelines will occur on Sunday.

Meeting adjourned: 9:21

Next Meeting: Sunday, October 16th, 7pm via Zoom for Board Members