

July 21, 2024; 6:00PM NLMFA Meeting Agenda

In attendance:

The Beers, Susan, Katelyn, Heather, The Wetzels, The Harts, Dru, Darry

- I. Minutes from June 2024 meeting
Approved!
- II. Treasury Report (Dawn)
 - a. Bills
Receipts from the raffles will be turned over to Dawn (from Katelyn)
 - b. Upcoming potential expenses
Coaches Gear, CFA, Sponsor Awards, Season Shirts
Port O' Potties will be ordered. Locations were discussed. Storage end of the concession and one down by the football shed.
- III. Organization
 - a. Fireman's Park updates
 - i. Items removed from storage area update (Adam)
No update yet.

Plans for new bathrooms have been drawn up.

So far we don't have to do any fundraiser or anything for Hinklefest. Need to find out how to reserve practice fields at the HS while Hinklefest is going on (week of September 9th).
 - b. Background checks updates
Laurie input all background checks and coaching certs she currently has. Received some at the meeting today. Adam will PDF Heist's and provide it to Laurie.
 - c. Registration Updates
 - i. Numbers review
Susan went over all the numbers for the football players and cheerleaders at each level.

Not sure when IttyBitty will start. Probably the same week that cheer is starting.

1. When to close
July 31st. Itty Bitty's can sign up until 8/15.
After that it can be coaches discretion.
CFA has to have roster finalized before the game.
 - ii. Organizational discussion/follow up
 1. Updates from discussions with Dave Kline and Coach Rice

Told Dave that we are not making any organization changes this year.

Coach Rice supports the program, not planning on having a Jr High team at this time. Asked us not to recruit non-NL kids, but doesn't have a problem with them playing on the team.

Susan made it clear that we are DONE with the out of district discussion. Especially in front of parents/players.

d. Committee Reports

i. Participation

1. Camp review

Concession made \$200-300 each night.

Sold lots of hotdogs and hamburgers.

Cheer camp was organized chaos, but it went well. HS Cheerleaders did a good job. Kids all enjoyed it.

Dawn and Heather aren't sure if the cheer team knows that they got the check. Susan will follow up with them.

2. Pool party review

Was really good for the younger kids. Would have been nice to have more HS players, but it might have been short notice.

Made good money from concessions. (Another \$2-300). Could probably have sold another whole watermelon. If we do it again would probably concentrate more on picnic foods and less on hot foods.

ii. Concession Stand (Dru)

Working on getting final schedule. Scrimmage on 8/17 is a go.

1. Volunteer signups

Dru talked to a number of people during equipment handouts. Many are willing to help. Will get the Sign-Up Genius put together as soon as the final schedule.

Looking for another tablet to use with the Square app to track purchases. Dru is going to donate a grill after he upgrades the burners. Heather will donate an older tablet.

Dru wants to get more volunteers ready for the games. Probably has enough for practices.

Susan is going to follow up with the concession stand people about menu items, etc.

Bell Evans is trying to put wings into the concession stand for HS.

iii. End-of-year award ceremony (Elizabeth, Katelyn, and team)

Budget for all the ceremonies is \$7000

1. Football 12/14 at Elementary School
 2. Cheer 12/13 at Elementary School
flowers (moms and cheerleaders), yard signs,
- iv. 13-year-old recognition (Elizabeth and team)
1. Tentatively 10/12 (last home game; also day of Itty Bitty Bowl)
Sweatshirt for cheerleaders as well? Look like cheer uniform?
- v. Spirit wear
1. Store update
Going to open up the stores 7/22. Leave Coaches store open for a week (7/28).
Cheer jacket store is going to close on 8/8. Going to close the spirit wear store on 8/8.

Coaches store is good for board members too. You get \$40 to spend. Dawn will provide you a check for \$40.

Usually a two week turnaround from closing to getting the items.
 2. Season shirts
 - a. Discuss Laurie's graphic designer quote
\$400-\$600 to clean up the image. Individual person to do the work.

Going to put the drawing onto the front of the program instead. Adam will come up with designs for the Season shirt. Going to use a tri-blend material for the shirts. Going to go with a darker gray.

Susan is going to pull together the logos/names for the shirts.
 3. Coach store (will need to have items arrive before 8/19)
Going to open up the stores 7/22. Leave Coaches store open for a week (7/28).
- vi. Fundraising
1. Bonfire Update – 10/5 date needs to be approved by Fire Company
Good for 10/5!
 2. List of raffle prizes is complete or close to it
Only waiting on Angst Gun Barn for a gift card. Otherwise Katelyn has ~35 raffle items ready. Including a yeti cooler, yeti cups, PS5.

Susan will put a draft of the tickets together in the next few days. Should have tickets ready by the 2nd/3rd week of practice.

Storage unit combo lock is 1983, just like the shed.

Going to get Texas Roadhouse free kid's meal tickets for Halloween.

3. Sponsor banner order will be placed this week – if you know of someone on the fence, have them submit ASAP (By Wednesday!)
- vii. Program
1. Shout out form deadline 8/22/24
 2. Picture Night scheduled for 8/21; with a rain date of 8/22
 - a. Any preference on order of squads for scheduling?
Youngest group to oldest, at the HS stadium

IV. Safety

a. Material/Supply Updates

Currently all stocked up.

b. Safety review at meet the coaches night

c. Game Day Coverage – Elizabeth obtained contract from provider; can be finalized once schedule is confirmed. Going to be there on 8/17, 2:45 - 8:30. Currently on contract for JV and Varsity games. If we end up not using them for JV, Elizabeth will adjust times and get a refund.

Dawn paid already.

d. Volunteers will provide coverage during practices

Elizabeth has coverage for nights she isn't here (first two nights). She will talk during meet the coaches night to get volunteers for practice.

i. Are all walkie talkies accounted for?

Should have 4, but might only have 3 accounted for. Susan will check the bin from camp.

Darry is going to be in charge of the equipment, including the walkie talkies.

V. Cheerleading

a. Equipment/uniform needs

All have come in and have been labeled. (Shells, skirts, and pants)

18 are stained. 2 need to be sewn.

70 uniforms are ready to hand out right now, without the ones that need the repair/cleaning.

Have plenty of speakers. Bows and socks came in.

b. In need of additional coaches(?)

Pony and midget squad were going to be combined. But now have 21 girls registered. If we don't get another coach, might still have to keep them combined and have them alternate attending Pony/Midget games. Require one game each game day and then see if anyone wants to volunteer for the other games (at home).

Maybe have another coach, but not responding to messages.

VI. Football

- a. Equipment repair, reconditioning, and potential purchases
Being handed out, trashcans have been purchased. 90% has been handed out. Midgets have a lot to hand out. Pony's are mostly done.

Lots of Medium pants are left. We have a lot of Large helmets left over.

Currently don't think we need any more equipment. Will send out a link for the preferred socks for games.

- b. Speed & Agility update
DONE

- c. Coaching certifications
Coming in slowly, not actually required by the CFA. Some people don't like technology. Some people don't have time. Going to give them until the end of August to complete.

\$15 per certification. Dawn will reimburse.

- d. August home scrimmage
8/17 confirmed! Will be charging a scrimmage admission fee (\$5 a family)

9/5 the park is reserved (Thursday) so we will have to move that practice to either Friday or to the HS.

10/3 (Thursday) is a HS away game, so we will have practice a different day, Friday 10/4)

VII. CFA Updates

- a. Schedule change is for Saturday games only; Pony level will be the last team that plays on Sunday game days

- b. At last CFA meeting all teams attended and the commissioners are working on the final schedule.

Roster night will be around 8/16. JV schedule 8/21.

VIII. Upcoming Events / Dates

- a. 7/28/24 6pm Meet the Coaches Night
Big meeting to start, Elizabeth will talk, talk about fundraising, then break into small groups.
- b. 7/29/24 first football practice
- c. 8/18/24: NLMFA Board Meeting

9/21 Still have board meeting after the games on that Sunday.

IX. Open Floor

HS needs a new end zone camera for the Huddle system. Will be a better purchase than flags.
Will need to bring trashcans to the stadium for our home games (not the new ones!)

Boosters already purchased one of these. Will have to think of something else.