



## Blue Thunder Boosters October 26, 2009 Minutes

**Called to Order:** 6:58 pm at Timber Pointe Golf Club

**Attendees:** Deb Shawd, Sharen Knox, Sandy Kaske, Kim Larson, Craig Adams, Alicia Perez, Tracy McConnell, Michel Johannes, Brad Johannes, Carla Sullivan, Gail Adkins, Patti Kotarba, Spencer Byrd and Sue Rodakowski.

**Secretary's Minutes:** Kim approved the minutes from the September meeting, Craig 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All directors approved.

**Treasurer Report:** All bills are in. Payment of the 4-wheeler from the Thunderfest auction is still pending. Kim said it looked like a page from the treasurer's report was missing and Joan was absent, so approval of the report will have to wait until the November meeting.

**Athletic Director's Report:** Spencer said the date for the fall athletic awards is November 5<sup>th</sup> and there will be a social time from 5:30 to 6:00 pm with a dessert tray, coffee and juice. At 6:00 pm everyone will go to the gym and a coach from each fall sport will have five minutes to speak and hand out two varsity awards. Then a video of photos highlighting the season will be shown and sports teams will breakout at 7:00 pm for individual awards. Spencer said he would like to do a senior banquet at the end of the year. Winter team photos will be held November 20<sup>th</sup> after school. Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> cross country sectionals will be held at BHS; volleyball regionals and finals will be held at BNHS; and the first state playoff football game for North will be held at Chicago Robeson at 1 pm. Since our last meeting and request from Teresa Curry, Spencer has told his coaches that all funding requests must go through him first. He is working on better budgeting. Spencer also requested Deb email him all the wish list information and application so he knows the deadline and can meet with the coaches ahead of time about this.

**Membership:** Michel said we currently have 130 Founding Members – 30 Gold, 21 Navy and 79 Scarlet; 18 Lifetime Members; 47 Annual Members. This is a total of 195. We need to increase our number of annual members. A suggestion was made for us to keep membership forms available at the concession stand, merchandise table and have announcements at the home games.

**Fundraising:** 25 of our 100 Milt Brown Stadium prints have sold; our break-even point is 73. Kim will have forms at the fall awards and let everyone know that the first 50 will be signed by Milt. The fundraising committee may have to send out a direct mail piece to help promote this and set up a display in the athletic lobby with information on how to purchase.

**Merchandise:** Playoff shirts will be available during lunch hours Thursday and Friday. Michel and Deb will sell these. Short sleeve shirts sell for \$12 and long sleeve will sell for \$15. They are navy with red and gold lettering. Deb will email booster members to let them know these shirts will be available.

**50/50:** It has been difficult to get volunteers to help with this at every game.

**Concessions:** Next year each sport needs to be assigned a date to help. Possibly a team parent from each sport could set up the scheduled times for the day of their volunteer date. Carla will set up a meeting with Beth, the concession manager, Tracy (girls bb), Gail (wrestling) and Michel and Alicia.

**Thunderspud:** Brenda Trimble will take over organizing potato next year. Sandy has done an outstanding job managing this the past 3 years!

**Thunderbowl:** We have our first Thunderbowl coming up November 13 at Concordia Lanes. Registration is at 8:00 pm and bowling begins at 8:30 pm. The committee will meet after this meeting. The upcoming moonlight bowling nights will be December 18, January 22 and March 12.

**Old Business:** The Lacrosse bill has been paid.

**New Business:** We won't know until after the football game Saturday if we can have the concession tent taken down. There is a possibility, if we win, that the 2<sup>nd</sup> playoff game could be held at home. We did purchase warranties on two cash registers; 4 are ours and 2 are Sarah's. Brad will talk with Mike Rogers about moving the pod, if we need to, after Saturday.

Stadium Building update: There has been great input from the concession committee and Mary Jo Brown has also been actively involved in this process. The structure will now be located more in the northwest corner due to utilities.

There have been too many sports selling items at every game. Alicia will speak with Spencer and Dick about having each team reserve game dates ahead of time so they aren't competing against each other or the boosters for sales.

Deb will have information placed on our website about our JV Volleyball team having an undefeated season this year with 27 wins!

Motion made and approved to adjourn at 8:36 pm.

Respectfully,

Deb Shawd

Blue Thunder Booster Secretary