



# NEWBERG BOOSTERS

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## Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 2018 General Meeting Minutes

### Call to Order, In Attendance:

Kristen Davidson, Don Griswold, Jackie Griswold, Jen Yahn, Matt Chadwick, Jami Dikeman, Diana Takakashi, Kay Sunnes, Chris Harper, Mark Brown, Tim Burke, Mary Lou Reid, Dan Brown, Terri, Cindee Hoeffliger, Jessica Shinneman, Lydia Keuler, Brandy Penner, Taire Thomson, Tracy Hufschmid, Trey Watt, and Kristee Hampton

Meeting started at 6:33 P.M.

Don Griswold made introductions of board members and reviewed old business as stated below.

### Old Business:

After reviewing former grant requests, the Boosters have approved the yearly Water Polo Modesto Trip Grant Request for \$2k (\$1,000 each for both Boys and Girls).

The Boosters has also approved the Girls Soccer Small Grant Request (under \$500).

Don had Jen Yahn briefly went over the first annual golf tournament that occurred in August. The tournament was a big success and we look forward to continuing this tournament in August for years to come. Kristen Davidson, gave account review of the results which was \$5,600 in profit. Jen would like to concentrate on more sponsorships for next year. One of the coaches mentioned wanting to serve the participants in some sort of fashion.

Don reported the first tailgate which raised \$891.20 for the NHS Resource Room. For this first tailgate Boosters dedicated 50% of concession proceeds to the Resource Room. Don also gave thanks to Robin at Social Goods for hosting the post-game event and gave back 30% of their proceeds which amounted to \$211 to Boosters.

### New Business & Grant Request Overview:

Guests, Brandy Coffman Penner and Lydia Keuler, were present as representatives from the Newberg School Board spoke to the group about the need to be more involved with students, parents and community in order to bring as many voices possible to the issues and decisions the board faces each year. Currently the need for a strategic plan is underway.

- The Strategic Plan guides the work with our students and gives direction to administrators, and teachers to help implement educational plans, discusses budget and helps with the current search for a new permanent superintendent.

The current strategic plan can be found at:

<https://www.newberg.k12.or.us/district/strategic-plan-2014-2020>

Upcoming 4 meetings in October will be held at NHS West Commons on 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, and 11/7 from 5:30 – 7pm.

School board meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 7pm at the District Office.

Lydia can be reached at: keulerl@newberg.k12.or.us

Guest, Terri Representing Newberg Cheer came in to request a grant for Choreography. Lisa added the girls have already fundraised and paid for uniforms, busses and much has come out of their own pocket. With the 11-month season and volunteer work they do for community, she would like us to consider the request. Lisa mentioned fundraiser for pies will be happening in early November. Jen suggested having Kristen advertise their fundraisers on our Booster Newsletter via Email and Boosters FB page.

Guest, Coach Trey Watt in a new baseball coach to NHS. Coach Watt came from George Fox with 7yrs experience and was at the University of Portland for 1 year. Trey Watt also teaches Special Ed at Edwards and has been for 6 years. Trey mentioned he was inspired to follow the student he's known in the past, which gave him the desire to take this position. Coach Watt reported that he and Don Griswold have been working on the baseball batting cage situation, which has needed to come to a completion. Trey suggested to Don they use the Aux Gym with a built-in net system. This will run \$10,000 that is well within the budget and would avoid the need to build a new outdoor batting cage for baseball. Don will bring forward a proposal to present. Note, this will also require a power box which is also in discussions.

Guest, Coach Dave Brown from Tennis talked about the badly needed refacing of the current tennis court system which can run \$24,000. Tim Burke already issued \$6,800 towards this project (less then the est. \$7,800), however Dave is needing and requesting additional support. Dave has also pitched in funds out of his own pocket. He also revisited the grant request for new uniforms. Kristen Davidson has offered to get the quote through Nike (like previously mentioned earlier this year) in order to use their family/employee discount. Dave will resubmit his grant requests to the Boosters and is hoping for uniforms before end of the 2018 year.

**Grad night guest,** The goal this year is to raise \$50,000 towards Grad Night. Upcoming sponsor nights will be held at Red Hills and one night at La Sierra (dates to come). The idea of setting up a structure for future grad night committees was brought up. Don indicated they let the Boosters know about upcoming events so we don't have any date conflicts. Jen suggested they use NPS (Newberg Public Schools) Facebook page as a resource to record all events so no over-lapping and competing with fundraisers occurs. Jackie Griswold asked how the junior parents should get involved for their student's upcoming senior year. It was suggested junior parents start attending the current meetings.

Jen Yahn went over the \$7,500 Pavilion project (raised at the NHS Auction Paddle-Raise). She discussed the new lights and painting that has already occurred. The balance will go towards painting the concession panels as well as an additional \$50 will go towards repainting the goal posts. Jackie requested to make sure they match the paint color to the existing poles. Plans for new signage is the next phase, ie: "AUX Gym" (directions panels for visitors). Jen will get measurements on new McGrath gym sign.

Don gave overview on next tailgate for 9/21 which will feature: Food Carts from: Omar's Mediterranean, Rici's Tacos, Dutch Brothers and NHS apparel booths.

Don also announced the upcoming bonfire to be held Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> which will be held behind Mt. View Jr. High and the NHS tennis courts. The bonfire will take place from 7pm – 9pm. Mark and Holly will have activities and guests that include, Officer Moreland, Mark Brown and Tim Burke. Band and cheer will also be there for festivities and entertainment.

Kristen encouraged those to be connected to the new Boosters email newsletter on where to find "all things Booster" and High School" related. This is the Boosters PR page and comes out every Sunday (similar to Mark's Newberg Nation).

#### **Athletes of the Month:**

Girls: Stella Byles, Jr with Water Polo and Boys: Justin Holtan, Jr with Football

#### **Officer & Sub-Committee Reports:**

Diana Takakashi; Concessions

Diana shared that Don secured water and popcorn, which has been donated from Les Schwab. Diana revisited the need for additional concessions help, and the proceeds goes to all programs. Students can also get volunteer credits for working in concessions. Chris Harper pressed the need to have coaches schedule the parents on their team into volunteer spots. Diana encouraged those in attendance to go to the Newberg high school sign-up link. Mary Lou asked about age-limit. Friday football nights, high school and up; other activities with parent supervision but they cannot handle funds.

Jackie and Don Griswold; Apparel

History of apparel has been inconsistent and challenging for Boosters to manage. Don met with Cheryl at Dormers local screen print shop and they have offered to step in to manage and produce future

apparel needs and inventory. They have a better record of what has been ordered and will be financially responsible for the materials moving forward.

#### Dan Sperling; STEM

Dan reported students are off and running. Also added there are too many students for 1 team but short for 2 teams. Parent involvement is better this year and more students are showing interest in STEM. Upcoming fundraisers planned, such as a raffle for a donated case of wine from Owen Roe and will hold the raffle on 10/19. Tickets will be available at upcoming football games or see Dan Sperling. Kristen can help advertise via Booster's website and emailed Bulletin. Dan also mentioned students were able to visit A-Dec to review current engineering systems in place. Students are working on engineering two working robots and are ahead from years prior. The manufacturing open house on 10/5 will be a good segway to introduce more about this program. STEM competitions start early November.

#### Kay Sunnes; Performing Arts

Students busy getting ready for the upcoming musical events coming up the first two weekends of November. They will also be attending the Bonfire and Homecoming games.

#### Kristen Davidson; Treasurer

Reported we paid out two previous student scholarships, a soccer small grant, water polo grant request and "Tall Cop" presentation which will happen in January of 2019. Tim gave a brief overview of having Tall Cop here to speak to us regarding the current drug problem in our communities and creative ways to detect kids who are using. Officer, Jeff Moreland will enlist help from other law enforcements. Kids will not be welcome, this will be a parent-oriented workshop to educate them on new ways kids are abusing drugs/alcohol.

#### **Additional notes:**

Mark closed with stating this new school year is off to a good start and he would like to find ways to continue to inspire the students. Mark welcomes input from parents, staff and students.

There was a wrestling fundraiser with Newberg Ford on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> which raised an additional \$2,000 raised for wrestling.

#### **Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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