

North Allegheny Unified Booster Organization

April 23, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Georgiana Thomas (President), Melanie Rutan (Vice President), Bonnie Genter (Secretary/Field Hockey), Heather Earle (Treasurer/NASH)

Chairpersons Present: Karin Monteparte (Membership/CMS), Kathy Egnaczyk (HS Scholar Athlete/Boys' Basketball), Jacki Herring (Scholarships/Slow Pitch Softball), Janeen Atkins (Scholarships/Cheerleading)

Kennywood Coordinators Present: Peggy Lehew (Kennywood Publicity), Tina Hamm (Basket Wrapping)

Representative Present: Mike Mlecko, (Cross Country), Krista Colella (Football) Bernard Caputo (Football), Rebecca Haywood (Gymnastics), Matt Gentile (Ice Hockey), Matt Lawrence (In-line Hockey), Patti McClure (Girls' Lacrosse) Trish Cloonan (Rowing), Paula Sansosti (Boys Soccer), Mary Lee Kolano (Boys' Tennis) Joe Migliozi (Track and Field), Liz Shaffer (Wrestling)

Welcome Introduction: Georgiana Thomas welcomed all those in attendance. She asked all members to state their name and group and/or chair position.

February 15, 2018 Minutes: No recommended changes proposed to minutes. Motion made to approve minutes by Karin Monteparte, and seconded by Mary Lee Kolano. The February minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report: Heather Earle reviewed the treasurer's report. Current balance of 5,584.38. Treasurer's report will be on file, if anyone wants to review it.

New Business:

- May Meeting-Everyone should have received the invitation for the May meeting
 - Please RSVP to Karin Monteparte
 - Scholarship winners will be honored at this meeting and refreshments will be served

Old Business:

- **Toys for Tots 2017 Program:**
 - **Rename Program-** Last meeting discussed name change in order to clarify that program is different from National program.
 - Motion made to change name to Toys for Tigers by Kathy Egnaczyk, and seconded by Trish Cloonan. The name change was approved unanimously.

Ongoing Business:

- Kennywood

- Kennywood Day is June 21, 2018.
- Ticket price is \$30. Tickets at Kennywood are 45.99 and weekends 48.99.
- The advantage of buying tickets from UBO are, buyers get to participate in the basket raffle. There will be 30+ baskets and auction is at 6pm. UBO Ticket holders will get one free ticket for raffle and 1 ticket for "grand Prize (\$100). Additional ticket will be sold 6 tickets for \$5.00.
- To increase sales, tickets sold between from May 1-30, will receive a ticket for general admission to non-playoff sporting event at NA. These tickets will be effective for any athletic event from May 2018 - 2019 school year. You receive one ticket for each ticket purchased. Please share this will your groups.
- Ticket purchased from UBO can be used on June 21 or any day May- June, any weekday in July or August, with no surcharge or any weekends in July or August with \$10 surcharge.
- In-school ticket sales are May 30.
- You can also purchase tickets online www.kennywood.com/na. You DO NOT get free sport event ticket with online tickets. You can participate in basket raffle.
- You can purchase at AD office starting May 1st, or have tickets mailed From AD office. There is a mailing charge.

- Kennywood Assignments- Each rep is expected to participate on a kennywood assignment committee. Members present, signed up for a committee, member not present will be assigned.

- In-school Ticket Sales-

- Need a Chair and 4 volunteers.
- Tasks include:

- May 30, 2018 go to assigned school, to drop off envelopes (with information on raffle and map), then return at end of day to collect left over supplies. You drop off at one school, and pick up at a different school. Heather has done this in the past, and will help mentor.

- Publicity

- Chair- Peggy Lehew - need 6 volunteers.
- Task include:
 - Place yard sign in assigned school, a week before in school sales.
 - After sales, replace yard sign with regular "Kennywood" sign.
 - After Kennywood, you pick sign up and take to AD office.

- Ticket Sales

- Need coordinator and 10 sellers.
- Tasks include:
 - Selling Tickets June 20 (10am-6pm) and Kennywood Day from 9am-12pm. Need 2 volunteers for each 2 hour block.

- Chair needs to be available during sales for change and as back up.
- Georgiana Thomas has done this in past and will help mentor.
- Basket Wrapping: Chairperson -Tina Hamm. Week of June 11 to start wrapping. Mary Lee Kolano volunteered to help.

Advertising: The board requested that each representative place a poster in a business to help increase advertising and sales. Posters handed out and reps shared areas where they may hang them.

Other Fundraising:

Tiger Paw Magnets \$7, Earrings \$10, and blankets \$35

Membership: Karin Monteparte, Chair passed around the roster and asked members to update information.

Scholar Athlete Awards: The AD office is working on scholar athlete information and that spring sports should have scholar athlete awards for banquets.

Scholarships: Jacki Herring informed us that there were 26 applications for Scholarships and first round of interviews occurred with AD office today. Jacki Herring reviewed the process for scholarships and requirements for interview committee. The committee will interview applicants on May 1. Currently, Krista Colella, Jill Guthrie, Melanie Rutan have volunteered for the interview committee, we need one more interviewer and an alternate. Trish Cloonan volunteered and Bonnie Genter volunteered as an alternate.

Reps Reports:

The following Reports were read by their representative:

Bowling no rep, presented by Patti McClure:

The boys bowling team did very well. They tied for 4th place in the district and 2nd in the section and the girls finished 3rd in section. Individual championships 3 boys (2 freshman) and 1 girl went to regionals. Very young group of bowlers, have many years to improve.

Swimming and Diving presented by Patti McClure:

The boys won states, again for 2nd year. 4 boys in 200/400 freestyle fastest relay in US right now. Broke public school/private/parochial school national record. A lot of private schools are notoriously fastest swimmers and train Olympic winner. Our boys beat their records! Girls did well. They finished 7th in states. Girls have the most consecutive WPIAL Championships.

Girls' Volleyball:

Lisa Pilotta not present, will be added to next meeting agenda.

Boys' Basketball by Kathy Egnaczyk

The NA Boys Basketball program included 3 middle school teams, along with freshman, Junior Varsity and Varsity teams. Tryouts for the program were held in November. The coaches (including freshman and JV) were Keith Noftz, Aaron Smith, Will Saunders, Jim Dudas, Anton Constantino and Rob Greenleaf. The freshman team had 15 players; the Junior Varsity, 11 players; and Varsity, 11 players.

CMS roster – 10/7th grade; 10/8th grade

IMS roster – 14/7th grade; 13/8th grade

MMS roster - 13/7th grade; 13/8th grade

Game schedules for each team began at the end of November and ended at the beginning of February. North Allegheny competes in the WPIAL 6A Section 1, with rivals Shaler, Butler, Seneca Valley, Pittsburgh Central Catholic, North Hills and Pine Richland. Other exciting matches this season included a trip to Erie to face Erie Cathedral Prep. The Varsity team ended its 2017-2018 season with 8 wins/14 losses. This record did not earn the team a place in the WPIALS. The teams practiced at their respective schools, with the JV/Varsity practicing on a daily basis at NASH and the Baierl Center. Dues this year were \$250 (middle school being lower) – players/families were asked to purchase lottery tickets as a fundraiser. Team clothing (including lettermen jackets), transportation and food for away games, and uniforms are supplied by the Boosters.

Committees included Concessions, Senior Night, Letterman Jackets, 50/50 and Banquet.

NABBA receives support through concessions (did not host WPIAL games this year), 50/50 sales (this year we did not have 50/50 program), program and game-day flyer ads, and Wright Automotive Holiday Tournament.

Senior Night was held on February 9 during a home game against North Hills.

This year's Banquet was held at Sieb's Banquet Facility – attended by freshman, JV and Varsity families. Boosters pay for Middle School team parties.

Girls Basketball:

Dawn Fischer not present, will be added to next meeting agenda.

Cheerleading by Janeen Atkins:

Tryouts were in May, 2017. There were over 130 girls try out. 106 girls are selected; 25 on Varsity, 16 on JV, 14 on freshman and 51 on their respective middle school teams.

Cheerleading is a 2 season sport; both Fall for Football and Winter for Basketball/Competition. The girls cheered through March 2018, cheering on the Girls' Basketball team at their WPIAL win at the Peterson Center. Competition teams were selected in late August and they competed from November through February. The team had 3 Competitive teams this year; JV, Varsity and Game Day. Competition season ended in February when the Varsity and Game Day teams traveled to Orlando, FL to compete in the UCA HS National Competition.

Booster dues are \$200 at the high school level and \$80 at the middle school level. Parents are required to purchase the girls' warm ups, shoes, practice wear, and megaphones and letterman jackets for Varsity.

The boosters are a 501c3 with multiple fundraisers throughout the year. The largest fundraiser is the minicamp, hosted the week after school lets out. The cheerleaders teach the campers cheers, dances and other skills with a performance at the end of the week. Attendance was down last year because, due to construction, the camp had to move to Carson MS instead of NAI home, and split the camp into a morning session for younger campers and an afternoon session for our older campers due to space constraints. (This was hard for some families that had campers enrolled in both sessions, and who were not able to attend the afternoon session.) Other fundraisers include the t-shirt sales, micro-mini camps for both Football and Basketball, pepperoni roll sales and car washes.

The cheerleader's community service project was a shoe collection drive to support micro-enterprises in developing nations through Funds2Orgs.

The banquet was held in March. The HS Cheer Banquet was held at The Holy Trinity Center, off of Babcock. The team had 12 graduating seniors this year, the largest senior class in recent memories. The Boosters gave out 2- \$500 scholarships to Anna Fenlon and Madison Brahim, both lettering on the Varsity Squad all 4 years. There were 43 Scholar Athletes. (80% of our HS Cheerleaders qualified as Scholar Athletes.) The MS Cheer Squads also hosted a banquet for the cheerleaders at Treesdale.

Gymnastics by Rebecca Haywood:

Had a very good season with 12 players- 2 out very early due to injury. Had a strong season and received 2nd in section. In WPIALs received 3rd. Individual Championships, NA player received first on floor and another girls received 5th place. No fundraisers, dues are \$100. Had banquet at Walnut Grill and gave girls each [personal photos from season.

Ice Hockey by Michael Gentile

Have 4 teams- Varsity, 2 JV and Middle school. Each team has a roster of 18 players @017-2018 Season, Varsity finished with record on 11-7. 4th place out of 10. Host tryouts to asses skating, stick skill. Only 3 seniors graduating, so high competition for team placement. They may increase number of players to allow more players on the team. Tryouts are currently happening for next year, to allow players to try out for club teams if they don't make school team. It is a fairly expensive sport. Equipment is costly and team fees \$1700. Team banquet to be held 4/29/18 at the Marriot in Cranberry.

Inline Hockey by Matthew Lawrence:

NA Inline is a Club and COED sport. We play 4 on 4 Hockey and our Home Rink is at RMU Ice Complex on Neville Island. This year we fielded 8 Teams in the PIRHL, 4 at the HS Level, Two

Middle School and Two Elementary Teams. A Total of 89 Players were involved at some level and we had 12 seniors recognized at our Senior Night. We had One Girl play Goalie for the H5 Team this year. Our V1 Team this year made it to the Finals and Our H5 Team this year won the PIRHL Championship. We sell Advertising on our Website to raise money and our Annual clothing sale profits benefit our Eric Pelly Scholarship fund which is awarded to one NA Inline graduating senior each year. Registration for fall is usually in early May. Boys and Girls entering grades 2 thru 12 are eligible to participate. Players are evaluated based on their skill level and are placed on the appropriate team. Teams are announced in June. Evaluation fees are around \$40 and the Player Fee is around \$550 annually. This covers rink time, Referees and our Spring Banquet.

Wrestling by Liz Shaffer:

Varsity 18 wrestlers this year, 10 seniors. Fairly young Varsity team next season. JV team had 35. No tryouts. Everyone make the team and players wrestle each week for position. Junior High 7-9 and Varsity 10-12. Host a parent prior to the season, dues 225 if attend parent meeting, and 265 if you don't attend. Include warm-ups, and travel cost, and equipment in program. Banquet at Chadwick. Junior high team traveled to an away meet this year, it was a positive experience. Varsity player won states this year. Junior high placed 10 overall in states.

Athletic Director Report- presented by Patti McClure:

Projects:

- This summer, the football, baseball, softball field and soccer will all be getting turf and a new track. Bleachers, dugouts and lights will also be added. This summer projects to be started at NAI-new track, football and baseball fields and soccer fields will be turfed.
- Other project still pending approval- Bathrooms at NASH baseball field. Still negotiating for plumbing, buildings will be donated.
- Spring Sports- Dealing with multiple rain outs due to poor weather.
- Security Changes-Plan is to refigure the secure doors, so that visitors can enter into AD office, but not access remainder of building.
- Schedules on website for fall and winter sports. Spring sports will be posted soon.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Peggy Lehew and seconded by Matt Lawrence. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Bonnie Genter, UBO Secretary

The next meeting will be on May 22, 2018 at 7:00 pm

