

## North Allegheny Unified Booster Organization

### May 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes

**Board Members Present:** Georgiana Thomas (President/Scholar Athlete Coordinator/Website Chair), Patti McClure (Vice President), Bonnie Genter (Secretary).

**NA UBO Sponsor:** Patti McClure represented

**Chairpersons Present:** Barb Liwosz (Scholarship/Band)

**Representative Present:** Daneen Leya (NAI Rep), Kelly Phillips (Girls' Basketball), John Magorien (Football), Katie Rhoten (Boys' Golf), Janice Glinski (Swimming/Diving)

**UBO Scholarship winners:** Georgiana Thomas Scholarship recipients were Elizabeth (Lizzy) Groetsch (Basketball) and Lola Wihite (lacrosse) the Don Vandergrift recipient was Julianna Werener (Soccer). The Scholarship winners were announced, they each gave a brief synopsis of their time at NA and plans for the future. The winners were presented with their scholarship checks and certificates.

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

**Approval of Minutes:** No recommended changes proposed to the April 2021 Minutes. Motion made to approve minutes by John Magorien and seconded by Barb Liwosz. The April minutes were approved.

**Treasurer Report:** Georgiana reviewed the treasurer's report. Current balance of 1,679.06. Treasurer's report will be on file if anyone wants to review.

### **Ongoing Committees:**

**Kennywood:** Date August 14<sup>th</sup>. Same day as Fall Fantasy Parade which NA Band attends. Tickets can be used any operating calendar day. Open May 8<sup>th</sup> can buy tickets in AD office (8am-3pm). You can buy tickets through Kennywood online but there is a \$3 surcharge. Price still \$35 (Prices at gate are 59.99 -44.99) This is NAUBO Main fundraiser so please share this information with your groups. Patti will create a flyer for you to share with your groups. There will be a sign-up genius

sent, via email, for reps to sign up for a 2-hour shift to sell Kennywood tickets day before and morning of Kennywood Day. You can also sign up to place yard signs at schools and in your yard promoting Kennywood day.

**Membership:** Roster was sent around, and members were encouraged to review and make corrections.

**Scholar Athletes:** Spring sports should be contacted about picking up shirt/certificates next week. Please let Georgiana know if there are any questions or mistakes on certificates.

**Scholarships:** Barb reviewed the scholarship process and thanked the interviewers: Peg Lehew, Alison Edfors and Connie Angermeier. There were 12 applicants. Barb cannot be chair next year, due to having a Senior. Anyone interested in chairing next year, she will be happy to discuss.

**NA Items for Sale:** A portion of NA items sold portion goes to Toys for Tiger program Items for sale are: Blankets- \$35, Tiger paw magnet \$7 and hats \$ 20

**Rep Reports:**

Baseball- No rep present

Boys' Lacrosse- No rep present

Girls' Lacrosse- No rep present

Rowing - No rep present

Softball- No rep present

Boys Tennis (read by Barb Liwosz)

There were 20 players on the team (10 Varsity and 10 JV) Tryouts were conducted the week of March 8 on NASH courts where 25 young men participated. Due to the pandemic and lack of play in 2020 the Varsity team had only one player with prior varsity experience. They opened the season with a tough loss to Upper St. Clair (4-1) after that, they had 12 straight wins, including a 7-0 record in section 2 competition. They beat Sewickley Academy to win the section crown. They advanced to WPIAL playoffs as number 4 seed and defeated Central Catholic in the opening round. The dream ended in quarterfinals against Mt. Lebanon. For a team with limited experience, they gained valuable experience. Senior, Chase

Davidson and Junior, Shomik Telang won the section 2 doubles championship and advanced to WPIAL where they finished second and qualified for the PIAA State championship. They will participate in state doubles playoffs in Hershey on Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.

Track and Field- No rep present

Boys' Volleyball- No rep present

Girls' Golf

Water Polo- No rep present

Boys' Soccer- No rep present

**Girls' Soccer** (submitted by Brandon Smith and read by Barb Liwosz)

The 2020 NA Girls' Soccer season was unique like so many other sports since last spring. New regulations, a limited season, 2-week quarantines and a late start, just to name a few. The girls began the season by winning 2-1 in OT against Norwin and 6-1 over Pine Richland in the first week. The last 4 games of the season were cancelled due to a 2-week quarantine. They had already earned enough wins to qualify for WPIAL playoff. They rolled into the WPIAL championship with a +9-goal differential and 3 shutouts. The championship match was won by a margin of 2-1 in double OT vs Butler, advancing the team to PIAA playoffs and back-to-back WPIAL Champions. IN the state playoffs they easily moved past Erie McDowell. In PIAA final they faced Pennridge and battled for 110 minutes but came up short in 0-1 loss in double OT. This was by far the most successful year for NA girls' soccer. 9 players were named to Big 56 All-Section team, 1 player named All-State, All- Region and All-American team, one player earned the Moe Rosenthal Player of the Year Award.

Swimming/Diving (Janice Glinski)

43 Swimmers (20-Boys and 23-Girls) and 12 Divers (3- Boys and 9- Girls)

Girls Swim was 7-0 and won section, WPIAL and State Titles and Boys finished 5-2, 3<sup>rd</sup> at WPIAL and top 20 at State meet. Molly Smyers won 200 and 500 Free and 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at States. The Girls team won the 400 Free relay at WPIAL and 3<sup>rd</sup> at States.

## Diving:

Second year got 1, 2 and 3<sup>rd</sup> at WPIALS. Only top diver got to go to States which was a shame because 10 grade divers went and senior second place was not permitted to go. 7 girls went to states. Won state title by margin of diving points. Diving was able to assist swim team win due to points.

Dues- 50 per athlete. No concession only income were ad sales. Each athlete pays 100 dollars in escrow for meals.

## **Athletic Director Report:**

Bob Bozzuto could not be at meeting due to Boys Lacrosse WPIAL playoff games. Patti shared how happy they were that all the teams could participate in the number of games that they did due to Covid.

## Capital improvements:

- New Turf this summer. Newest type of turf will be laid at no cost to NA.
- At end of the stadium (corral area) we are building a storage area- for goals and large equipment.
- Softball bathroom/concession stand/press box building. bleachers and score board.

Most of Fall schedules are complete and on website. Homecoming second weekend in October. Still discussing possible Elementary Night. Plan is to return to normal play next year.

Due to Covid, we attempted online tickets. Not sure that this will continue next year. Poor WIFI connections at stadium makes it difficult to check online tickets. Business office is working on this.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting was made by Barb Liwosz and seconded by Janice Glinski the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm.

The next meeting will be on September 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Bonnie Genter, UBO Secretary