North Allegheny Unified Booster Organization September 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes

<u>Board Members Present:</u> Georgiana Thomas (President/Scholar Athlete Coordinator/Website Chair), Patti McClure (Vice President), Barb Liwosz (Secretary/Band), Peggy Lehew (Treasurer).

NA UBO Sponsor: Bob Bozzuto (Athletic Director)

<u>Chairpersons Present:</u> John Magorien (Membership/Football/Wrestling), Joy Manesiotis (Scholarship/Girls Golf), Ray Donley (Scholar Athlete Awards HS/Girls Lacrosse), Heather Kowger (Scholar Athlete Awards CMS/CMS Representative)

Representative Present: Daneen Leya (NASH Rep), Erin Phrampus (Baseball), Valerie Scolieri (Boys Basketball), Christine Erimias (Girls Basketball), Stephanie Howard (Cheerleading), Marcia Turkovich (Cross Country), Kelly Renninger (Field Hockey), Katie Rhoten (Boys Golf), Jay Murphy (Ice Hockey), Kathryn Duffy (Inline Hockey), Kelley Mowry (Boys Lacrosse/Water Polo), Ray Donley (Girls Lacrosse), Alison Edfors (Rowing), Janine Kennedy (Girls Soccer), Susan Klaich (Slow Pitch Softball), Gabe Laswell (Slow Pitch Softball), Janice Glinski (Swimming/Diving), Connie Angermeier (Track and Field), Chris Wilhite (Boys Volleyball) Rachel Stegeman (Gymnastics)

<u>Welcome Introduction:</u> Georgiana Thomas welcomed all those in attendance and thank them for volunteering. Georgiana stated that she was available for questions anytime, either email, text or call her. Georgiana introduced the Executive Board Members. Georgiana also requested all members to signin and review the Membership Roster for accuracy and correct any changes. Georgiana stated that she likes to keep the meetings to an hour so everyone can get home to their families.

Patti McClure asked all member to state their name and group and/or chair position. Patti McClure opened with appreciation to all who have volunteered, explained the new meeting format and introduced the Chairpersons.

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> No recommended changes proposed to the May 2021 Minutes. Motion made to approve minutes by Chris Wilhite and seconded by John Magorien. The May minutes were approved.

<u>Treasurer Report:</u> Peggy Lehew reviewed the treasurer's report. Current balance of 7,758.29. Treasurer's report was provided via email prior to the meeting.

2021-2022 Proposed Budget: Georgiana Thomas requested approval of the proposed budget. A motion was made to approve the proposed budget by John Magorien and seconded by Kelly Mowry. The Proposed Budget was approved.

Overview of UBO Purpose and Responsibilities:

UBO Purpose: Patti McClure explained the UBO was created during the 1990-91 school year and is under the umbrella of the Athletic Department.

- *Promote school spirit and pride in the North Allegheny community
- *Provide a means for better communication among all sports, booster, schools, and community groups

*Promote and encourage student and community support for all North Allegheny events, activities and sports

UBO sponsors the Balloon Arch rental – all reservations can be made by calling the Athletic Director's office at 724-934-7238. Larger (new) arch is \$50 and smaller arch is \$40.

UBO Rep Responsibilities: Patti McClure explained the UBO Rep is responsible to

- *Communicate with their group and the UBO
- *Attend 4 UBO Meetings

9/9/21, 11/10/21, 2/9/22 and 4/19/22

- *Give a report and share group information with the UBO Members
 - 1-Number of players are on the team?
 - 2-Tryout requirements?
 - 3-Summary of regular season, post-season play, awards, special

recognitions, and any other items of interest

- 4-Associated Dues or fees with the sport
- 5-Sponsored fundraisers
- *Advise the UBO Scholar Athlete Coordinator of your Banquet Dates to awards are available for banquet.

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- *Inform seniors of UBO Scholarship opportunities.
- * Kennywood Day details, Toys for Tigers program, balloon arch and tiger costume rental information

<u>Scholar Athlete Award</u>: The Athletic Department recognizes 3 individual and 2 team scholar-athlete awards. Individual Awards

- UBO Scholar-Athlete Award certificate for 3.4 -3.39
- AD All Scholar Award certificate and Shirt for 3.7-3.99
- AD All Academic Award certificate and for 4.0 or higher
 **One shirt per year

Team Awards

- AD All Scholar Award Wall Plaque inscription and local recognition for 3.2-3.49
- AD All Academic Award Wall Plaque inscription and local recognition for 3.5 or higher

3.84 was the Team Award GPA for 2020-2021 year

Kennywood Day: Georgiana opened with a special "thank you" for all those who sold tickets for the 8/13/21 and 8/14/21. Bob will work with the Band Director for the 2022 date in August again, due to the success of the 2021 Kennywood Day.

<u>Toys for Tigers</u>: Bob explained this is an important focus of the UBO to provided gifts and gift cards and food for Holiday Season for children and families that are in need. We asked each Booster group and school to donate \$150 per year. The groups may donate more and participate in the shopping and/or the wrapping. Requests for wrappers was made during the meeting. The spending will be \$150 per child, plus food for each family. Monies are due as soon as possible. Bob Bozzuto has started contacting people for lists. Checks are written out to NAUBO and leave them in the Athletic Director's office.

Fundraising Opportunities:

- Monte Cellos Night October 5 and November 9 25% per check will go to Toys for Tigers
- Metz will bake cookies for sale at Football games 9/24, 10/8 and possibly 10/22

Fall Special Event:

- Elementary Night 9/24/2021 NA vs. Central Catholic
- Volunteers are needed for UBO table at Football games to sell merchandise and cookies. Sign-up sheet s was passed out to membership.

Athletic Director's Report: Bob Bozzuto

- Bob Bozzuto welcomes Brittany Glass to the Athletic Office Staff
- Most athletic schedules for the 2021-2022 school year, with the exception of gymnastics, will be on the website very soon.
- The District has been very busy with Capital Improvement Projects with the addition of the Newman Stadium Turf, new bathroom/concession stand/press box building at the NASH Softball Field, new gym floor at NAI Upper Gymnasium, Baierl Center Ponce Room flooring, renovation of Marshall Middle School Softball Field and later this fall renovations to NAI's softball and baseball field.
- It is our expectation that the NASH tennis courts will get a full reconstruction upgrade and the MMS courts a re-surfacing project.
- This summer we had a successful Summer Recreation Program and an outstanding Just for Girls Camp
 with 150 girls attending in grades 2 through 8. Special thank you to Michelle Ruiz, Jordan Cotton, Frank
 Gilbert, our head coaches and our student-athletes that provided great instructions. We expect to
 expand the program in the future
- The Tiger Maul on-line store will be available tomorrow. You can get all your official NA clothing and accessories by ordering from our website or by contacting Andrew Heck (andrew.heck@footlocker.com). All profits go to the UBO's Toys for Tigers Program. Booster Groups can open their own school store on the Tiger Maul Shop and get use of the NA Logo.
- Booster Groups may not use the NA Logo (trademark) without permission from the Athletic Director.
- The WPIAL will have a Food Drive between October 11th and October 23rd. Additional information will follow.
- We will have a College Recruiting Night with host Rick Wire of Dynamite Sports on Monday, October 11th at 7:00 pm in the NASH Auditorium.
- We are evaluating a college eligibility software program and a college video software program. Additional information will be available soon.
- Bob discussed the current process for quarantining students in an indoor setting.

Meeting adjourned 8:11 p.m.

Regards, Barb Liwosz