

North Allegheny Unified Booster Organization
April 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: **Georgiana Thomas** (President/Scholar Athlete Coordinator/Website Chair), **Patti McClure** (Vice President) **Barb Liwosz** (Secretary/Band), **Peg Lehew** (Treasurer)

NA UBO Sponsor: **Bob Bozzuto** (Athletic Director)

Chairpersons Present: **John Magorien** (Membership/Football/Wrestling), **Joy Manesiotis** (Scholarship/Girls Golf), **Ray Donley** (Scholar Athlete Awards HS/Girls Lacrosse),

Representative Present: **Daneen Leya** (NASH Rep), **Deb Dixon** (Baseball), **Valerie Scolieri** (Boys Basketball), **Nicole Williamson** (Marshal Middle School & Girls Basketball), **Stephanie Howard** (Cheerleading), **Wendy Joyce & Chhayal Thomas** (Field Hockey), **Katie Rhoten** (Boys Golf), **Jay Murphy** (Ice Hockey), **Kathryn Duffy** (Inline Hockey), **Connie Angermeier** (Track and Field & Boys Soccer), **Chris Wilhite** (Boys Volleyball), **Kim Redondo** (Bowling), **Amy McDonough** (Softball-Fast Pitch), **Kelly Haller** (Boys Tennis), **Kelly Mowry** (Girls Lacrosse & Water Polo)

Approval of Minutes: No recommended changes proposed to the February 2022 Minutes. Motion made to approve minutes by Nicole Williamson and seconded by John Magorien. Motion passed. The February minutes were approved.

Welcome Introduction: Patti McClure welcomed all those in attendance

Treasurer Report: The report was reviewed. Motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report by Chris Wilhite and seconded by Amy McDonough. Motion passed.

New Business: NA Tiger Paw Electrostatic Stickers

Ongoing Committee Reports:

Kennywood: Sunday August 14, 2022 –Purchase in Athletic Director's office all summer for \$39, the ticket prices will be \$44 online and \$54 at the gate. The flyer will be posted to the website and yard signs are available for anyone interested.

Membership Report (John Magorien): John requested everyone to review the roster and make any corrections or changes.

Scholar Athlete Awards Patti went over details that all reports are complete along with the 9 week grade requirements.

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| Fall | 1 st 9 week grades |
| Spring | 2 nd 9 week grades |
| Winter | 3 rd 9 week grades |

Georgiana advised the t-shirt sizes are pulled from FamilyID; exchanges are not made, but families can update their child's shirt sizes in FamilyID. Summary sheets are available by reaching out to Ray Donley or Georgiana.

UBO Scholarship Report Patti explained the meeting was preceded by the banquet recognizing the winners of the 2 scholarships. Patti further explained that the interested students can apply at anytime prior to the deadline and do not need to wait. It is important for the applicants to know the details of the person the scholarships are named after.

The 2021-2022 scholarship winners were: Ben Lindgren for the \$1000 Georgiana Thomas scholarships and Stephen Laun for the \$700 Don Vandergrift Memorial scholarship.

Sports Representative Reports:

Swimming & Diving (Barb Liwosz on behalf of Janice Glinski)

1. HOW MANY ON THE TEAM?

25 male swimmers 3 male divers

18 female swimmers 6 female divers

2. ARE THERE TRYOUTS?

YES and there are cuts

3. SUMMARY OF THE REGULAR SEASON, POST-SEASON PLAY, AWARDS, SPECIAL RECOGNITION(S), AND ANY OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST.

There were 10 regular season meets girls team ended up undefeated and boys lost one meet

POST SEASON RECORD-

WPIAL Boys - 3rd Place; Girls - 1st Place

PIAA Swimming and diving championships at Bucknell University Boys - 19th Place; Girls - 3rd Place

4. ARE THERE ANY BOOSTER DUES ASSOCIATED WITH THE SPORT?

BOOSTER DUES

Dues were \$100 per swimmer and \$75 per diver (diving less as they have less events)

5. WHAT FUNDRAISERS?

Concessions income \$1545

50/50 and other games of chance \$350 income

Ad sales in our yearbook \$2435

6. BANQUET- April 22nd at The Chadwick

SENIOR RECOGNITION- RENTED THE ARCH, PLAYERS ESCORTED BY PARENTS after the meet on the pool deck.

Baseball (Deb Dixon)

The baseball program does hold tryouts and does make cuts. This season we have:

- 5 Teams with a total of 117 players
 - o Varsity-25(10playersarealsoonJuniorVarsityRoster)
 - o JuniorVarsity-20
 - o Freshmen-20
 - o CarsonMiddleSchool-20
 - o IngomarMiddleSchool-20
 - o MarshallMiddleSchool-20

- Records- The weather has caused a number of games to be postponed and rescheduled o Varsity:
 - 5-2,Section3-1
 - o JuniorVarsity:4-1,Section1-1
 - o Freshmen:2-1
 - o CarsonMiddleSchool:1-0
 - o IngomarMiddleSchool:0-2
 - o MarshallMiddleSchool:2-0

- Dues-
 - o Varsity & Junior Varsity:\$200
 - o Freshmen:\$165

- o Middle School:\$100
- Fundraising-
- o Spring Lottery during April
- o Website Sponsorships
- o Pretzelroni Sale
- o Cyclebar Fundraising Ride
- o Restaurant Nights
- o Yard Signs & Fatheads

The banquet for Junior Varsity and Varsity players is scheduled for June 12th pending final approval. The Freshmen and Middle School Teams will have team parties at the end of their seasons.

Boys Lacrosse (Kelly Mowry)

- # of players: 54 total – Coach did not announce specific Varsity vs JV players, but all seniors are Varsity. The rest of the classes divide amongst both Varsity and JV to maximize play time.
- Tryout requirements: There weren't any cuts this year. They had a scheduled week of "tryouts" – but all players made the team.
- Summary of the season: Season is still active. Varsity has 4 wins and 4 losses at this time. They have 9 games left to play this season.
- Postseason play – still to be determined.
- Awards and special recognitions: Cole Bordo is playing D2 lacrosse for Seton Hill next year. Most of the seniors will be playing club lacrosse for their respective colleges next year. The boys lacrosse team sponsored a family for Toys for Tigers. We bought gifts (winter coats, blankets, etc.) for three girls. The entire team participated by wrapping and organizing the gifts for Christmas delivery. They did a great job!
- Associated fees: \$575 fee, \$100 deposit (returned if families meet their volunteer commitments), \$50 deposit (returned if uniforms are returned in their entirety and without damage)
- Sponsored fundraisers: Zroni pepperoni rolls, concession stand, youth night raffle (tonight), and Boar's Head ham sale.
- Banquet date: 5/22

Girls Lacrosse (Ray Donley)

1. How many Players on the Team?
For the Spring 2022 season there are 23 players on Varsity and 23 players on the JV Team.
2. Are there tryouts?
Yes. Tryouts were held March 7, 8 and 9. Teams were announced March 10.
3. Summary of regular season, post season play, awards, special recognitions, etc:
Girls Varsity Lacrosse is 5-1 in Section Games this season. The WPIAL Playoffs for Girls Lacrosse start May 16.
4. Dues associated with the sport: Booster dues are \$250.
5. Fundraisers: Girls Lacrosse sold "Gourmet" Popcorn as a fundraiser in February.
6. Banquet Date: The Gils Lacrosse Banquet will be held on May 31.

Rowing (Barb Liwosz on behalf of Alison Edfors)

High School Roster: 15 Boys/ 26 Girls
12 Middle Schoolers "Dev Team"

We don't currently have tryouts aside from athletes' need to commit to the schedule because we have enough seats available in boats for everyone however, were quickly on our way to implementing tryouts. Rowers must also pass a deep water test to participate.

Spring 2021 Highlights:

Dominating at Pittsburgh Sprints the City Championships!

1st at Stotesburgh Cup Regatta Women's JV Quad - the nation's largest scholastic regatta

3rd at Midwest in the Women's JV 4+

Grand finals appearance at SRAAs in the Women's Lightweight 2x (final canceled due to weather)

Fall 2021 Club Season Highlights:

2nd at the Head of the Hooch Women 2x

3rd Head of the Schuylkill Women's 2x

The program's first appearance at the prestigious Head of the Charles in the men's and women's coxed quads

13 medals at the Head of the Ohio and 10 and the Morgan Grimm Memorial regatta

3 Division 1 Commits!

Alexandra Junko - Georgetown University

Charlotte Bentrin Drexel University

& Rachel Lessure - Temple University

We had a Chik-Fil-A fundraiser which raised \$115, a Zroni sale which raised \$1375, and Erg in the Berg which raised approximately \$3500.

Fall and Spring fees average about \$600 for participation and another \$600 or so for travel each. Winter conditioning is \$200. So yearly costs are approximately \$2600. Each rower is responsible for purchasing their own uni

The team has been on the water as much as possible this spring and dealing with some flooding and but we're looking forward to starting off the season with our first race this weekend in Michigan and hope to carry 2021's success into this spring!

Softball-Fast Pitch (Amy McDonough)

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Tryouts are first week of March

Varsity/JV (4 Freshman, 10 Sophomore, 9 Juniors, 3 Seniors)

Total 26

Varsity 10

JV 9

Dual rostered 7

Dues: \$200

2022 Season 6A (3/18/22-5/11/22)

Current record:

Overall 5-2

Section 1-1 (Seneca, Pine Richland, Butler, Norwin, Hempfield)

Middle School

Roster 17

7th grade: 10

8th grade 7

Dues \$75

Fundraisers:

Apparel and Concessions (new concession stand and press box with restrooms)

Fall Ball Tournament

Senior Night: Friday April 29, 2022 scheduled to play Butler

Balloon arch, senior gifts, and refreshments following game

Banquet May 15, 2022 at the Camelot

Charities we participate in are: UBO Toys for Tigers and January Softball clinic for K-5, the team picks a new charity each year.

Track and Field (Connie Angermeier)

Number of players on the team:

517 grades 7-12

235 (total HS)

282 (total MS)

High School boys: 125

High School girls: 110

Middle School boys: 138

Middle School girls: 144

Tryout Requirements:

Tryouts for outdoor track are held over the first three days of spring track practice, weather permitting. Students able to achieve the standard in any one event will be admitted to the team. (Very few cuts are made.)

No cuts at all are made in middle school.

Summary of regular season, post season play, awards, special recognitions, etc.:

regular season meets:

We are still in season! But so far...

Meets:

Boys: 2-0

Girls: 2-0

Invitationals:

Boys: 1st place at Wildcat Invitational

Girls: 2nd place at Lady Spartan Invitational

Dues associated with the sport:

High School: \$145 (\$60 for sibling); to lower costs, if an athlete had the previous year's team hoodie, then dues are \$110

Dues pay for:

- Athlete Supplemental Uniforms : short and long sleeved t-shirts, hooded sweatshirts
- Snacks and beverages for long distance travel meets and invitationals
- Senior gifts, end of season party, team banner, additional attire (coaches shirts, MVP awards, clean sweep awards, custom t-shirts for state competitors)

- Equipment/training programs requested by coaches Middle School: \$15 (\$12 for sibling)

Dues pay for:

- Athlete short and long sleeve t-shirt
- End of Season party

Fundraisers:

Concessions, "yard signs"; clothing sale

Banquet Date

High School: April 27, 2022 (at the Rose Barn in North Park)

Middle School: Date tba, but will likely be a pizza party at NAI cafeteria.

Volleyball (Chris Wilhite)

- 13 Varsity, 24 JV with some playing up for various games and tournaments (really the program reaches down into the middle school level so the water runs deep)
- Tryouts are the standard Spring tryout window. Typically host pre-tryout open gym days. It is a Cut sport as they can only carry so many
- The season is a mix of tournaments the teams travel to, especially early in the season, plus the weekly area games. Typically make it to WPIAL and States which takes us through graduation. This year varsity is going for 4th straight state championship
- Dues are ~\$250 plus some off and on additional support throughout the year (donating supplies to concessions, buying swag, buying snacks for roadtrips)
- Fundraiser started new in Covid. Raffle for a freezer full of meat and second place of \$500 Giant Eagle gift card. Has proven very successful for the past 2 years
- June 13 is the banquet

Tennis (Kelli Haller)

1. How many players are on the team?

The North Allegheny Boys Tennis team in 2022 consisted of 26 players; 13 on the Varsity and 13 on the Junior Varsity. The varsity squad has 8 seniors, 3 juniors and 2 sophomores. The JV squad is comprised of 8 freshmen, 3 sophomores and 2 juniors. It is the highest number of players on both teams since the 2006 campaign.

2. Are there tryouts?

Tryouts were conducted the week of March 7, indoors at the PURE Athletex Sports Complex and also on the NASH courts, where 31 young men participated. Students in grades 9-12 are eligible to play.

3. Provide a summary of the regular season, post-season play, awards, special recognition(s), and any other items of interest.

Varsity:

Coming off a successful 2021 year, the 2022 season started slowly for the Tigers. After starting 1-3 in non-section exhibition matches, the Tigers then went on a six match winning streak that included five Section 2 victories and a win over defending WPIAL Champions, Shady Side Academy. An influx of "new," first-time high school players who were absent the first week of the season helped turn the tide for the Tigers. Section play concludes this week as the team takes on two traditional rivals, Sewickley Academy and North Hills to determine the section crown.

On the individual side, sophomore **Trey Davidson** and junior **Manas Kathir** finished first and third respectively at the Section 2 Singles tournament. That qualified them for the WPIAL Championship last week where Davidson finished as the runner-up. He qualified for the state (PIAA) championships in Hershey starting on Friday, May 27. Davidson is the first NA state qualifier in singles since 2006. The squad has had four doubles teams qualify for PIAA championships in the last eight seasons.

The WPIAL team playoffs begin the week of May 2. Seeding of the qualifying teams will be released on Monday, April 25.

JV:

As of mid-April, the JV boys are 9 - 0 including wins over Pine Richland, Seneca Valley (2), Shady Side Academy, Mount Lebanon, Upper St. Clair, Fox Chapel, Moon and Chartiers Valley. The talent level of the team is exceptional, and they are developing extremely well in both their individual play and their teamwork. This squad has a very promising future

4. Are there any dues associated with the sport?

(See #5 below.)

5. What fundraiser(s) do you sponsor?

4/5 Players' families are asked to join the NA Boys Tennis Booster Group at the start of the season, and dues this past year were \$100 per family. This was strictly voluntary. It is the only fundraiser of the season for the team.

Attendance Award: Barb Liwosz

The groups who had attendance at 3 meetings and earned a pass to an event in 2022-23 school year:

NASH, Band, Girls Basketball, Bowling, Cheerleading, Field Hockey, Football, Boys Golf, Girls Golf, Girls Lacrosse, Boys Soccer, Softball-Fastpitch, Track/Field, Boys Volleyball, Wrestling and Baseball

Athletic Director's Report: Bob Bozzuto

*Rain has delayed many sports activities, the AD's office is working hard to rearrange all activities to play.

*2 year cycle for the PIAA schedule begins in fall of 2022 – fall schedules are predominately complete – winter has some complete schedules displayed on the website (wrestling and swimming. Basketball will display in June 2022 and gymnastics in October 2022, delays are related to changes to 4A, 5A and 6A, which are being finalized.

*Bus costs have increased due to driver shortages and gas prices. Each team should allocate funds to accommodate the increase in bus prices. There is also a supply and demand problem and competition with other schools/colleges to reserve the limited availability of busses.

*Many new capital improvement projects are planned: Ponce Room, Baierl Center front entry, ticket office

*Website is the official form of communication: schedules, summer camps, hall of fame inductees, championships and tiger maul shop

*Girls Flag Football – 6 teams begin in Ambridge, schedule is located on the website

*Thank you to all teams and UBO volunteers

Round Table & Questions/Answers:

*Cheerleading: How do other teams capture payments from parents? Responses included FamilyID, Venmo, PayPal, TeamSnap and Check - confirm how the sport is registered with the IRS (501C3 is how each sport should be registered with the IRS)

*It was requested that the format of the UBO meetings include details of how other groups/teams are being run versus the current format – Georgiana and Bob agreed and will take away the request on how best to incorporate the collaboration among the teams/groups.

*Elementary Night (Football game) is scheduled for September 16, 2022

*Fall Sports registration via FAMILYID will open June 1st (deadline August 15th)

*Football, Girls/Boys Golf, Tennis opens 1 week early (August 8th) - all other Fall Sports begin 8/15

*Concussion protocol will come out by May 2022

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn the meeting by Daneen Leya and seconded by Amy McDonough, the meeting adjourned at 8:22.

Next Meeting: September 14, 2022

Regards,
Barb Liwosz