

**Booster Board Meeting**  
**October 9, 2008**  
**@ Darrold Davis' Home**

**In attendance:** Mary Martin, Gene Levin, Richard Vermazen, Liz Stewart, Carlos Huelga, Darrold Davis, Peter Urbon and Joyce Hile

Meeting was called to order at **7:07 pm**.

Minutes of the May 8, 2008 Boosters Board Meeting were reviewed & approved. The only change was spelling correction of Peter Urbon's last name. The Board did not meet in June due to graduation and other conflicts. **M-S-A**

**Membership Committee:** Discussed the different levels on membership. Liz, Joyce & Mary will come up with a simpler model.

**Publicity Committee:** Mary Martin has not "played" with the website yet but will become familiar with the site in the next few days. Thanks Mary!

**Fundraising:** The Board wants to be more conservative with the Boosters' finances due to potential difficulties in fundraising this year due to the slowing of the economy. We discussed having a professional fund raiser where we pay a commission. We also plan to have a "Meet the Coaches" party at Peter Urbon's home. (See below-New Business)

**Ways & Means:** General discussion about the budget. We have approximately \$6,800 but we have allocated some of this \$\$ for the Delgado award and to reimburse Mary Martin for accessories that were purchased/ordered/will be ordered. We owe Mary \$500, and she feels the pending orders will consume \$500-\$1,000 additional funds. These funds were already approved in the spring.

**President's Report:** See Ways & Means

**Snack Shack:** We had a short discussion about the Snack Shack. We continued the idea of having a "buy out" option and pay \$10 per hour as well as Coach P. giving extra credit to students that want to volunteer to work in the Snack Shack. Mary stressed that it's hard for parents of Seniors to work since this is the last year that they can watch their sons play high school baseball. We will talk more about this as the season nears.

**Unfinished Business:**

Scoreboard: We have it stored next door to the Snack Shack. We will just have to go and replace it. Duane Skarbic's name was mentioned. The Board is comfortable that we have enough Dads with construction background where we will not have to pay to have it mounted.

Sound System: We need a proposal then we can ask Tom Nielson's contacts for funding. We discussed asking David Zedaker about his ideas in the spring.

## **New Business**

### **Coach White Pitching Program**

This year Coach P. decided to not have a conditioning program as most Varsity & JV players are already playing Travel Ball and played summer ball.

Coach P. asked for \$3,000 to run a pitching program that lasts 9 weeks and is one day per week. Coach P. will choose the pitchers. It was felt that the majority of the pitchers will be Varsity, but there may be 1 or 2 JV pitchers.

Comments were made that because the program last year was 100% financed by Boosters and Coach P., there were a couple of pitchers that weren't 100% committed. The Board felt that those pitchers/parents invited to the program should share in the financial commitment. This should increase the participation level to 100%. The Board felt that \$3,000 is a big commitment in light of our bank balance once we pay Mary, Coach Delgado award and buy the additional merchandise. Rich also mentioned we will have to commit to the Coaches' fees in the next couple of months.

The Board authorized \$2,000 towards the program. The Board feels that charging \$100 per player is very reasonable as the training program runs 9 weeks. The Board further approved a tentative commitment of \$1,000 to absorb any shortfall between the players'/parents' share and the Board's \$2,000 and Coach P's share. While it was interpreted that Coach P. wants to apply a portion of the \$3,000 to Coach White as a "tip/gratuity," the Board feels that any money applied by the Board should be applied 100% towards the players' fees and not to a gratuity to Coach White. **M-S-A**

### **Peter Urbon's Home**

Peter suggested having a "Meet the Coaches" dinner at his house on November 15<sup>th</sup> to start our fundraising. We decided that \$30 per person is reasonable and that we should be able to raise \$\$ since Peter would be able to get a Band and food at a good price. We also want to invite Correia Middle School parents for those parents that have 8<sup>th</sup> grade students that plan to play on the Frosh team.

### **Casino Night & Alumni Game**

We discussed better coordination between Casino Night and the Alumni game. We have set the date of the Alumni Game for **2/21/09**. We will have the Casino Night on that date. Darrold will ask the Masons' Lodge about availability for that evening. We plan to sell a lot of merchandise and Sponsor Banners at the Alumni game and will have a table at the game. Mary talked about the Silent Auctions to be used as fund raisers. What she

summarized was that the Silent Auctions tend to not be worth it if the prizes are not attractive. Darrold mentioned that rather than give cheesy prizes for bidding, why not just donate the money that was used to build the basket, make a blanket or other prizes that get limited bids?

### **Next Meetings**

- a. Booster Meeting: Monday, October 20 at 6:30 pm, PLHS Room 851.
- b. Booster Board Meeting: (Time TBA & Location at Davis' house.)

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.**

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Point Loma High School Baseball Booster Club is to promote team awareness in the community, increase pride and morale among the coaches, players, parents and friends of the PLHS Baseball program, and to provide support for our mission through volunteer and fundraising activities.