



USC Football Boosters Meeting

February 12, 2024 – USC CRC

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm by President Jon Stein. There were 13 members in attendance. January meeting minutes were approved. Shauna Rozzo motioned to approve and Randy LaRocco seconded.

II. Treasurer's Report

President Stein presented the report. The report was motioned for approval by Susan Geyer and seconded by Randy LaRocco.

III. Correspondence Report

No correspondence report presented.

IV. Old Business

New Officers installed: Jon Stein – President, Tania Hellmann – Vice President, Kathy Hess – Treasurer, Jen Dahlem -Recording Secretary, Carrie Stohl – Corresponding Secretary

Survey: Purpose was to gauge interest in the programs that are existing, to know who contributed last year and who would like to volunteer.

V. New Business

Boosters Meetings, Events, Attendance:

Using Monday.com- trying to increase the involvement by looking at the tasks to encourage people to attend. Trying to set a cadence for this year- don't want to push everything out at once this year. We are trying to digest things now and key things for the future.

Committee Assignments:

Chair/Committees- Not looking to oust committee chairs of the past- looking to pull in new co-chairs-trying to pull in new people. If we can bring more people in and keep people included, more the better.

Merchandise:

Approval requested to provide T-Shirts to Swim/Dive boosters to sell at youth night. Our cost \$14, selling for \$15 = \$1 profit. Swim/dive team to sell for \$20. Motioned to approve by Andrea Kaczmarek. Seconded by Susan Geyer

VI. Committee Chair Reports

Spring Fling: April 6th- Lesley Fleckenstein -agreed to chair Spring Fling. Jon Stein to share volunteer list with Lesley. Anyone who showed interest, Lesley will be reaching out. If you know of anyone that is interested, please reach out to Lesley.

Merchandise: Shauna Rozzo working on 2024 logos- will be reaching out to Coach for input/approval. Will need 2-3 vendor quotes for comparison for merchandise.

Pasta Dinners: Structure remains the same for pasta dinner but looking to have the boosters cover the main proteins. Considering assigning the other items instead of using sign-up genius. Look at cost/possible donations for the main protein items. Jennifer Gillespie volunteered to contact Francos. Myra/Susan suggested changing up the menu weekly or bi-weekly- pending coach approval on the menu. It was suggested to get approved menu from coach before contacting vendors. Also, Freshman game day will likely be Thursday instead of Monday which may impact their attendance at pasta dinners.

Concessions: moving to an assignment basis – sign up genius doesn't work at all. There will be some junior and sophomore parents involved before and after games. Assignments will be planned so that we do our best to ensure everyone gets to watch their player if in the game. Freshman parents will be assigned to duties during the game.

VII. Coach's Report

Coach Junko stated he is on board with overall goal to have more involvement /more inclusive environment to get more parents engaged. As well as the goals to ensure more of our fundraising dollars go to the program than to the vendors and is open to new ideas. He asked everyone to recruit people to get involved. The new tools/Software will really help future years and streamline a lot of what we do.

Program Update: Varsity lifting moving to Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday– Friday will be football specific day – players can make up the Friday lift on Wednesday if they are unable to make due to weekend plans, etc.

Rising Freshman - Coach Junko /Coach Cremonese going to middle school on Feb 25th to speak with the 8th graders. 8th grade lift begins Monday March 4th- Monday/Tuesday /Thursday. There will be a bus taking players from Fort Couch to HS. Parents should pick-up players at 5pm. Some days may run over- Appreciate flexibility on pick up times.

Spring ball will be starting earlier. Sending linemen to WV for linemen camp. Adding more 7 v7 dates- calendar should be coming out. Working around track. This calendar as well as the summer calendar will be out soon.

Coaching staff (Morton spearheading)- locating video tapes dating all the way back to 1986 working to digitize film and will use to connect with Alumni as a way to get their email and contact info – In order to view, they have to provide contact info. This is a way to engage Alumni to support the boosters. The digital version will be on the booster website- hoping this helps with donations.

Rising Seniors- Coach is continuing to meet with current juniors on recruiting. If you still need to schedule reach out. If any younger parents have questions about recruiting just send email- Coach happy to help.

Season Schedule released after the meeting with the WPIAL on 2/19. Coach will then meet with the Athletic Director to determine game day themes. Coach requesting 1st home game to be senior night. Other themes will be homecoming, hall of fame, youth night-should have 5 home dates. CV backed out of our scrimmage, and we are looking for a new opponent.

North Hills reached out to scrimmage but first need to ensure they are not on our schedule which should be announced 2/19. Lebo will likely be our week 0 match up. Conference will likely remain the same. Baldwin, South Fayette, Bethel, Peters, Moon. Lifting program is going great. Highest numbers they've ever had. Coaches are blown away by the effort in the weight room. Coach Crem is doing a great job with the players.

Illness has been running through the locker room. Coach asked to keep sick players at home to try and keep everyone healthy. Squat machine and bars -cost came under the \$2500- \$500 surplus. The Laser timers starting to go bad- extra \$500 could be used for replacing those. Coach Junko to talk to Coach Crem to see if this is a need and will ask for approval at next meeting if needed.

\$247-chocolate milk approved along with after school snacks- bridging the gap between lift and dinner. Need to get carbohydrates and proteins in right away. Ask for approval to continue funding. Motion to approve by Shauna Rozzo and seconded by Randy LaRocco.

Coach ordered T-shirts for T-shirt Tuesday – should be here by the end of the week.

Fan Fest- If no home scrimmage – can we still have? Coach Junko open to still having it and open to discussing how we can incorporate.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at pm. Motioned by Susan Geyer and seconded by Stephanie Stein.

Minutes taken by Tania Hellmann.

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Next Meeting is Monday, March 11th at USC CRC at 7:30pm.