



USC Football Boosters Meeting

May 13, 2024 – USC CRC

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:34pm by President Jon Stein. There were 16 members in attendance. April meeting minutes were approved. Nicole Albert motioned to approve and Natalie Livingston seconded.

II. Treasurer's Report

President Stein presented the report. He stated that the financials support what was reported from the last meeting. He mentioned Spring Fling was a positive event for us netting roughly \$800. He said the merchandise sales is a gross number as the costs are not included. Jon also received a check during the meeting so he said our overall balance is up an additional 6K. The report was motioned for approval by Tony Kaczmarek and seconded by Liz Pirain.

III. Correspondence Report

Carrie Stohl reported that Coach Assad had sent us a thank you note for his bereavement gift. She also said that the Boosters planned on sending Coach George a gift for welcoming a new baby girl.

IV. Old Business

Golf Outing – May 20, 2024 @ VBCC - Tania Hellmann was happy to report that this year's sponsorships are the highest we've ever had as we closed out at 72K. She said in the past the most the Boosters raised was 59K. She thanked all of those who have helped. She also mentioned trying to make the event a bit more casual when the golfers come in. Tania said there's now an option for hanging out, not having dinner and playing cornhole between 6 and 8pm. She said the program and signs are being worked on and we will be ready for the 20th. Jon Stein reminded everyone that we need volunteers for both the Golf Outing and Community Day. A small discussion was held on sign-up genius and volunteers.

Community Day – May 18, 2024 - Brenda Holt reported that enough prizes have been ordered and that there will be four trucks for the parade. She said the trucks can be divided by grade level and that those players not riding in a truck can walk the parade. Brenda mentioned that Andrea Kaczmarek will be assisting her all day and that they plan to have two cases of water for volunteers.

Mandatory Parent Meeting - May 29, 2024 - Coach Junko reported that the meeting is required by the school district. He said he plans to talk about the changes to Healthy Roster, about volunteering duties in the fall and to introduce the new coaches. He mentioned that the meeting will be in the small gym at the high school and attendance will be taken. Jon Stein said that the volunteer list will be ready and available at that meeting.

V. New Business

Donation for Sam Levine - Jon Stein proposed a \$1500 check for Sam Levine. A vote was held with an all-in favor vote result.

Summer Conditioning - Coach Junko reported the cost for summer conditioning is \$169/player but there is a discount for multiple players from the same family. He said the conditioning starts on June 10th and registration closes on June 1st. He stated the fee includes the stipend for summer coaching staff and for players' T-shirts. He mentioned conditioning is on the calendar for four days a week and typically it started at 7:30am but is being pushed to a 9am start with possible 8:30am arrivals. Coach also said some workouts will be in the afternoon. He asked to keep an open line of communication as changes may occur.

2024 Membership Drive - Denise Middleton said an email will be going out this week to start the membership drive. She reported that there will be opportunities to sign up at the upcoming Boosters events with QR codes. Denise proposed to have a drawing at the mandatory meeting as an incentive for signups. A vote was held with an all-in favor result. Denise also shared options for Century Club gifts: canvas totes, coolers, umbrellas, blankets. She initiated a small discussion where members gave their opinions. She will be looking into costs and said she will try to stay around the previous year's cost of \$20.

Panther Paws - Jon Stein brought up a new fundraiser. Mark DiSora presented a cement panther paw product that we can sell at Community Day and the Golf Outing. Jon reported that half of the proceeds will go to the Boosters. He shared that the paws are painted red and black cast molds and are available in three different sizes. He said we will be using an order form and fulfilling the orders on a needed basis with the costs being: \$30 for a large, \$20 for a medium and \$10 for a small.

VI. Committee Chair Reports

Merchandise: Shauna Rozzo reported that an order for Community Day and the Golf Outing has been placed. Jon Stein mentioned doing a replacement after these events and getting approval in June.

Community Day: This report was covered in New Business.

Restaurant Fundraisers: Natalie Livingston reported only six customers came to our Duck Donuts fundraiser. She reminded everyone that our next fundraisers are May 23rd at Chick-fil-A and June 4th at Chipotle. She said Michele and her are working on after June places and have reached out to Family Deli, Five Below and other places. Natalie did say OTB is on the books and will let us know when they confirm a date.

Membership: This report was covered in New Business.

7v7: Tania Hellmann reported that Meyers bus company has been called and the fee is \$1500 to book for the WVU 7v7. Coach Junko said to book the bus and the school would offset the cost. Coach also confirmed a stipend from the Boosters would be needed again for concessions at the W&J 7v7. A vote was held with an all-in favor result. He then mentioned the cost is \$50/player for the lineman to attend the WVU camp. He feels this is worthwhile and said returning starters and seniors will attend. Jon Stein agreed and proposed ideas to take more lineman.

Fan Fest: Liz Pirain reported that she would start working on Fan Fest after Community Day and the Golf Outing. She asked for the list of volunteers who signed up to help at Fan Fest to be shared.

Pasta Dinners: Myra Jones reported that only one date was not available for the cafeteria so she would look into booking the MAC. She also mentioned contacting businesses to receive donations or a volume discount. Coach Junko said the Boosters will be helping with costs this year. He also said the Freshmen will be included in the pasta dinners.

VII. Coach's Report

Coach Junko said he will send out a reminder to the players on SportsYou to arrive at 10:30am for the parade. He will also muscle up volunteers for Community Day.

Coach thanked the board for an amazing job on the golf outing. He said he's looking forward to the event as some alumni and even young alumni are coming. He also reported that Ben Huss wouldn't be attending this year's Golf

Outing as his father is having surgery. Jon Stein suggested a “double your money” contest on that hole at the Golf Outing instead.

Coach mentioned keeping the coupon card fundraiser on the back burner as we will wait to see how the Golf Outing finishes. He said if coupon cards are approved, he will assess how many cards will need to be sold per player. He will also meet with seniors to determine this year’s gear package.

Program Update: Coach Junko stated that he was at the recruiting event at North Allegheny today. He said he went up to NA because the schools there typically don’t come to USC. He mentioned talking to 25-30 schools with some of the schools having already reached out to the players, including one offer. Coach also said today was helmet issue day. He said the helmet fittings went well and that each player received a guardian cap. There will be another helmet fitting later in the week for those that missed. He said incoming 9th graders will be fit in June. Coach said spring ball starts May 21st for grades 10th through 12th. He said that eight days are blocked but times might have to be adjusted because the lacrosse teams are in the playoffs. He said this will be an opportunity for the coaches to welcome the football players back and to see who’s ready for 7v7. He mentioned that the WVU 7v7 is a short travel list unlike the other 7v7 events where everyone is involved. Coach asked for the boosters to purchase compression shirts and shorts again for 7v7. He stated he did buy some through his school budget but needs the boosters to cover roughly \$3200. A vote was held with an all-in favor result.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm. Motioned by Tony Kaczmarek and seconded by Liz Pirain.

Respectfully submitted by Jen Dahlem.

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Next Meeting is Monday, June 10th at USC CRC at 7:30pm.