

## **Grain Valley Eagles Football Booster Club Meeting Minutes**

The GV Eagles Football Booster Club met on June 3, 2008 in the library of GVHS at 6:30 P.M.

In attendance were John Overstreet, Scot & Brenda Sodano, Greg & Lynda Tolen, Warren & Paula Kremer, John & Tina Miller, Jamie Welch, Amie Rogers, JP Pauley and special guest Mr. Jim Ferlisi.

The Sodano's were busy prior to the meeting going over the forms for plaque requests for the signs at the field and with the steak dinner tickets. Ami Fogle had another commitment for the evening, so Brenda took over the distribution of the tickets.

John called the meeting to order and requested a review of the minutes. There were no additions or corrections. Warren made the motion to accept them and Greg made the second and the motion carried.

John informed the group that the snapper that the Coach wanted for the team was ordered 2-3 weeks ago and should be in anytime. John also met with Jim Helsper and talked to Pratt Buster regarding the battle chute and what will hopefully be an effort to make one instead of having to order one. John also mentioned that he has had contact with Mr. Tebbenkamp regarding the construction on the weight room and that is still in limbo due to conflicts with materials and help.

John had a sample of the women's shirt that the officers had recently approved for purchase for the ladies of the booster club. There was some discussion regarding the purchases, mainly centered around the type of material that they need to be so that screen printing can be utilized. The group pretty much decided that the main objective here with the shirts and/or jackets is to draw attention to the group, so we'd like for the garments to read something to the effect of booster club "members" so that others will notice and want to be part of the group. There was also talk about how some of the mothers particularly of the senior players would want to be wearing their son's second jerseys to the games instead of other booster club apparel. Brenda, Tina and JP all had input as to possibilities for purchasing and screenprinting the shirts. Once something has been put together, John says we will put pictures on the website for ordering purposes.

The next topic of conversation was the intended purchase of t-shirts for the boys for the upcoming camp the last week of July. John led the charge for the adoption of the slogan "The Calm Before the Storm" which is something that Coach Rovello likes to say, so the group felt it appropriate to choose that for the t-shirt slogan. After some discussion, the group pretty much decided that \$6 was the top dollar we needed to pay for the shirts due to the amount of them that need to be purchased. Greg made the motion to spend that for the shirt purchase and Scot made the second and the motion carried. There was also talk about the sizes needed and the urgency of the situation since camp will be here soon.

The Sodano's reported that the garage sale netted the group around \$1100-\$1200. Food sales were not good at either location. Right now the group has in the \$2000 range in the bank.

The next topic of discussion was the group's desire to have a cookout sometime during camp. After discussing all the possible dates and times, it was decided upon that the cookout would be on August 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 after the boy's scrimmage. The group will keep it simple with hotdogs, chips and drinks. Invitees will include all the boys at camp plus an extended invitation to the freshmen boys and any parents who are on hand. We will have a donation jar on hand and will need volunteers as to what everyone can bring as the time draws closer. It will be officially known as the "Eagle Tailgate."

Paula has been doing some calculating on the upcoming meals and Gatorade needs. She indicated that we would need approximately \$3000 for the 10 Varsity meals. Right now the school of thought is to charge the Varsity players \$50 for meals and \$25 for the freshmen who will benefit from the away game sack lunches. As always, the 50/50 ticket sales at the home ballgames will supplement the food purchases. Paula got a quote from HyVee to supply the sack lunches as well as the home game meals. For \$3 per sack meal, that was pretty much a no-brainer to eliminate booster club members from having to bag sandwiches in their homes prior to the games.

Discussion about the meals and the freshmen led up to talk about the group's efforts to encompass ALL of the GV football players, not just the Varsity. The group needs more parent involvement from the freshman class. We have had basically the same core group for the last two years and with the departure of this year's senior parents, we need parents of upcoming players to take over the reigns of the group and keep it going.

Last year senior player grandpa Jim indicated that he will hit up Price Chopper and HyVee again this year for coupon cards which came in handy last year to purchase water, fruit, etc. Jim also graciously volunteered his time to the group for upcoming endeavors!

John motioned to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:20. Next meeting is scheduled for the first Tuesday in July.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Tolen, Secretary  
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