

Grain Valley Eagles Football Booster Club Meeting Minutes

The GV Eagles Football Club met on January 6, 2009 in the FACS room of the GVHS at 6:30 P.M.

In attendance at the meeting were John Overstreet, John Miller, Tina Miller, Scot Sodano, Brenda Sodano, Paula Kremeier, Warren Kremeier, Pratt Buster, Angie Buster, Jamie Welch, Lisa Nace, Cindy Oddo, Amie Rogers, Kim Vittetoe, Jim Ferlisi, Lori Lindsey, and Michael Maynard.

John Overstreet called the meeting to order and the previous meeting's minutes were reviewed by all and the motion carried for their approval.

John Overstreet asked me, Brenda Sodano, what was on the agenda for fundraising. We discussed the fireworks tent. And that first thing we need him or John Miller to do is send a letter with a \$100.00 for a permit from the county clerk. Dates were discussed from January 1 until April, but that it is first come first serve and we need to do this as soon as possible to reserve our place. John Overstreet asked about other requirements and I explained them to be porta potties, no smoking signs, need of tent spec, John Miller said he would take care of that. Discussion of staying overnight and adult supervision at all times over the fireworks. Angie Buster had an idea to see if one of the RV companies would want to park an RV out by the fireworks tent to benefit them and us but John Overstreet thought that they probably wouldn't want us to use their RV for fireworks customers bathroom use. John Overstreet also asked about what is the liability insurance for the fireworks tent and John Miller said he would fine out.

John inquired about what other fundraiser were we considering, I told him probably the car wash, and the steak dinner and auction. Plus 50/50 at varsity games, some sales of License plate covers and clings, and the name plates.

John Overstreet feels we should consider doing a chili dinner instead of a steak dinner therefore allowing it to be more affordable for families. Other ideas were to serve hot dogs with the chili.

John Overstreet discussed about why the boys were limited to doing only one fund raiser. Questions were brought about the boys being present and visible to the patrons on the dinner and auction this up coming season. Others wanted to know why freshman's, sophomores, juniors, seniors could not be used individually for fundraisers. John Overstreet said they could probably be, but we would have to speak to the coaches. I informed them last year all the football players were asked to help at the car wash and we had a turn out of approximately 10 players there to lend their services.

Mike Maynard said that he thinks that Golden Corral offers fundraisers. Like busing tables for so many hours and then being paid, he said he would call and find out.

Lisa Nace thought that Hy-Vee offered some type of fundraiser; she said she would call and find out.

Jim Ferlisi asked what is our goal for fundraising. We discussed although there is no exact amount but more and more each year. Then it was discussed that we have \$4000 to start this year which is a huge improvement from last year of \$300.

John Overstreet brought up the scholarship fund, something that should be a goal every year and should start this year. And that the coaches ask for more each year. For example side line jackets are a \$100 each if we need thirty for thirty boys that is \$3000. If there are 70 boys that is \$7000.

Lisa Nace made the statement that the boys need side line stationary bikes to ride while they are on the sidelines to avoid hamstring pulls.

I inquired about who wanted to be on the Fund raising committee and John Overstreet thought it best just to send it to all unless someone requested not to be informed.

I had nothing further to say for the fundraising committee.

John Overstreet then asked about the Food committee. Jamie Welch said she was looking over all the information that Paula Kremeier had given her, and that she had picked up a lot of the food items that Ami Fogle was storing at her home.

Paula Kremeier said that the football schedules were available on the website. Jamie asked about when to contact Hy-Vee about the cost of the meals and the menu and Paula Kremeier responded around May.

A special kind of drinking cooler was discussed for the team.

John Overstreet said that February might be early but by March get more people to come to a meeting. Then the idea of informing parents by a telephone tree system was brought up. John Overstreet thinks we might be able to get the boys to get ten or so phone numbers each until we had most all of them. Paula Kremeier felt that the letters are probably just getting tossed and that a phone call would work better. She also thought that we should have something even if it was small while the boys are practicing to get more parents interested, possible in May.

John Overstreet said that we need to start planning and brain storming for phrases for the boy's shirts this year. He said the calm before the storm is what they used last year.

Mike Maynard thought Paula's idea was good because he said he didn't know about boosters until the Jamboree.

Pratt Buster said that we might be able to get the Middle School coach, Coach McClafferty to give us a list of the boys and parents who played football from 8th grade last year.

Paula Kremeier stated the boys are going to the gym more. John Overstreet said I bet they have so they can make their 75 makes.

Pratt Buster said then it sounds like \$14,000 to \$15,000 is our goal then. John Overstreet and many other members with nodding heads agreed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M. and the motion carried.

Next meeting date is February 3, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. in the commons of the GVHS.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda D. Sodano

Secretary of the GV Eagles Football Booster Club 09