

**Amherst Tigers Booster Club**  
**September Meeting**  
**Monday 9/10/2018 7pm**

**In attendance:** Jim Mullane, Neil faller, Jamie Tiberi, Heather Bitka, Mary Rosen, Cherie Rondeau, Lisa Powers, Dwayn Powers, Josh Janese, Mike Serotte, Lisa Roy, Kristin Stark, Maren Stelley, Marti Precurato, Debbie Sullivan, Alex Alicea, Kiel Illg, Melissa Calandra, Beth Jajkowski, Rachel Kautz.

**Secretary Report**, Lisa Roy

Future Booster meetings - 7 pm in High School Library  
10/1, 11/5, 12/3, 1/7, 2/4, 3/4, 4/1, 5/6, 6/3

**Event Dates:**

- High School open house 9/13 6:00 - 8:30
- Middle School open house 9/20 - 6:15 - 8:45
- Meat Raffle: Saturday, Jan 26, 2019
- Tiger Gala: Tuesday, June 25, 2019
- PTSA Meeting to represent Boosters: 9/12 7pm MS Library

Parent Liaison update: Mary Rosen – working through coaches to identify their Team parent to also be a Boosters Parent Liaison. We have created a Parent Liaison coordinator role to better streamline communications from Boosters to Coaches and parents.

Current Parent Liaison list [HERE](#).

**Athletic Director Report**, Dr. Illg

Coach Chris Kensy personally thanked Boosters for helping the Amherst Boys Basketball program, presented a thank you note signed by athletes and gave a quick update on future plans for the team.

**Grant Requests discussed:**

- Sportsplex Facility Update (Wrestling) – motioned to approve the funding gap to initiate project.
- Boys & Girls Tennis - motioned to approve \$250 in restricted funds to be used for Girls Tennis class. Boys Tennis request will be postponed until Spring. Discussion ensued about what the mini grants will cover and process for approval.
- Unified Sports – Enthusiastic response to the proposed plan to introduce Unified Sports to Amherst Central School District. This is a program designed to engage students with disabilities through a competitive and supportive team environment. The plan is to engage all HS student athletes for support. Motioned to approve \$1,000 to help start the program.
- A Previously budgeted project for gymnasium Individual Championship Banners was tabled in order to make room for the Sportsplex and Unified Sports project.

**Facilities Update-**

- Track & Turf Field update included Facility Rules, Entrance Updates, Parking for Events
- Fall Fest Update - October 12, 2018 -Amherst Central High School Front Lawn
- Sports Plex branding plans shared

**Treasurer Report**, Alex Alicea

- As of 9/10/18 balance is \$10,546.25

- Anticipated possible upcoming expenditures:
  - Apparel restock for fall - TBD
  - Fall sport grants - TBD
  - Wrestling room- \$1,493.50
  - Recent major expenditures
  - Sound system - \$2,750.00

#### **President's Report, Neil Faller**

- Kick-off re-cap – another successful kick off.
- Tiger Card update – 168 cards sold to date. Discussed the cost of cards. May coordinate \$10 flash sales. Goal is to build a fan base. Discussion ensued about “Athletes for Athletes” and the encouragement of teams supporting other school teams.
- New committees/positions – shared draft organizational chart.
- Poster – the Fall sponsor is The Amherst TigerSharks Swim Club
- Future Projects – Present the idea of a Tiger Mascot installed inside the stadium gates an only accessible by Amherst Team entrance. Could be a naming contest, and multiple years of Senior Class gifts. Bronze sculpture idea. A referral to a district resident who specializes in sculptures was suggested.
- Bylaws in place by October meeting. Neil will work with Jim Mullane.
- Men's Hockey Fundraiser 9/23, Snyder Bar and Grill 12:45 - 4pm - \$25 includes food and drink. Bills Away Game day. Funds will support general operating expenses such as bus and ice time. Tickets are available through Jim Mullane or Kristin Stark.

#### **Apparel Update, Alex Alicea**

- Athletic Kickoff - Another successful sales date \$1,422. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped setup, sell, and clean up after the event.
- Parent volunteers will be needed all year long!
- New white shirts well received
- Very low stock on Sweatshirts -will consider re-design for Fall 2018
- Blankets down to 2 dozen
- Full allotment of performance style shirts and white cotton t-shirts are available
- Apparel Sales table will be present at the HS Parent Night 9/13 and MS Parent Night 9/20. Volunteers have been secured.
- An assortment of apparel will be available at the Snack Shack all season.

#### **Snack Shack, Marti Precurato (Grubb)**

- Coverage of the Stand during peak games – contest dates will be reserved via coaches and parent Liaisons. The SignUpGenius Schedule is [HERE](#).
- Re-org current Snack Shack completed over the summer (THANK YOU MARTI AND KAREN STELLEY):
- Updated Inventory
- Updated All Sheets START UP/TEXT
- Snack Donation Promotions on: Amazon Prime, One Tiger, Tiger Times
- Cooler was cleaned and lines drained
- Coffee pots broke, repair needed
- Standard Signage Added
- Apparel Added

- Set Up Instructional Wall
- Popcorn Machine placement
- Recycling bottles and cans: discussion ensued, decided to incorporate into schools recycling activities and forego any recycling funds.
- Additional promo ideas shared such as walking tacos, tattoos for marshmallows
- Pizzas for Home Varsity Football games have been generously donated by the Mohan Family.

**Commemorative Brick Program, Marti Precurato**

- Lead Sale with Granite Pavers for \$100
- Will Purchase 25 versus 50
- Marti shared photos of bricks past and present.
- This is not just an Alumni engagement opportunity, the bricks can make ideal Coaches gifts, or commemorate Championship achievements by team and or individuals.

**New Business:**

**Fund Raising Opportunity, Debbie Sullivan, Alumni Parent**

- Presented opportunity to sell Magnetic buttons with Tiger Brand and earn a portion of the proceeds.
- Shared Tony Walker Center online fundraising opportunity to direct purchase portions to Boosters via <https://iworldshoppingcenter.com/fundraising/>

*Meeting notes prepared by Lisa Roy*

**Next Meeting:**

**Monday, October 1, 2018  
7pm in the High School Library**