

Amherst Tigers Booster Club
September Meeting
Monday 9/9/2019

In attendance: Marti Precurato Grubb, Lisa Roy, Karen Stelley, Neil Faller, Alex Alicea, Jeffrey Wheaton, Mike Serotte, Melissa Calandra, Amy Kantz, Cherie Rondeau, Lisa Murdock, Paul Biddle, Brian DeCicco, Marnie Belle-Isle, Shannon Lembke, Lisa Roy, Heather Bitka.

Secretary Report - Lisa Roy

Minutes for the past 12 months can be found online <https://www.onetiger.net/minutes>

Save the Dates:

- Fall Fest and Homecoming Football Game: Friday, September 27th
- Meat Raffle: Saturday, January 25, 2020

Monthly Open Meeting dates:

Oct 7, Nov 4, Dec 2, Jan 6, Feb 3, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, July 13, August 3 (open meeting)

Athletic Director Report – Mr. Wheaton

NEW THIS YEAR.....Local Live streaming (and recorded past event) online:

<https://events.locallive.tv/schools/guest/amherstny>

Current Camera on Dimp Wagner '48 Alumni Field. (password protected, will be shared with teams and parents) App version is available.

****tentative**** Camera for Winter Sports - South Gym



Athletics Projects under consideration and graphics shared:

- South Gym Foyer
- Tennis Windscreen
- Press Box Graphics

Mr. Wheaton is currently seeking RFPs.

Assistant Coach:

- Varsity Cross Country- 40+ student-athletes
- 2 Days per week over next 7-8 weeks

Presented with an overwhelming interest in Cross County, the school coach, and administration feel this is a unique circumstance that fell outside of the budget. After extensive discussion, and unanimous agreement that **student safety is the top priority**, the committee voted and motioned to approve Boosters funds to help support an Assistant XC Coach. (Motion: Marti Precurato Grubb and Mike Serotte)

Special Guest update – Paul Biddle:

- Boys and Girls Tennis Coach, Paul Biddle, joined the meeting and shared some thoughts and ideas to be very inclusive of the student athletes.
- Mr. Biddle plans to become an active member of the Boosters and appreciated learning all the Boosters do for ACSD Athletics.
- Agrees there is a brand awareness raising opportunity for Boosters to get in front of the students and talk about what we do to “Boost athletics for the district.”

- Student Athletes are looking for ways to give back to the community as a team.
- Amherst has an opportunity to host a Gold Level Tennis tournament.
- Suggested an Alumni Tennis Tournament
- The Tennis teams did an exceptional job selling Tiger Cards.

Treasurer Report - Alex Alicea

As of 9/9/19 balance is \$19,438.65

Anticipated possible upcoming expenditures:

Gala venue - invoice not yet received

President's Report – Neil Faller

2019-20 Booster Club Officers

- President - Neil Faller
- Vice President - Mike Serotte
- Secretary - Lisa Roy
- Treasurer - Alex Alicea
- Past President - Jim Mullane

If anyone would like to serve as an officer in 2020-2021, please let Neil Faller know. Seats will be open

Athletic Kickoff

- -Food Trucks nice touch. Promote more next year
- -Apparel sales were good
- -Gymnasium was warm
- -Emily Bitka gave a great speech
- -Excelsior presentation was long

Tiger Gala June 25

- -Feed back was positive
- -Students liked names listed in brochures
- -Number of Attendees?
- -Discussion of moving to Amherst area, closer to school
- -Captain Cord Successful, Boosters will continue to fund
- -Need to increase attendance
- -Limit speakers time?

2019-2020 Overview

FUNDRAISERS

- -Apparel
- -Tiger Cards
- -Snack Shack
- -Bricks
- -Meat Raffle: Jan 25th 2020

PROJECTS

- -Phys Ed Desk / Health Board/ Snack Area

- -Tiger Gala
- -Team Grants

Parent Liaison Update - Mike Serotte

There have been coordinated communications with Coaches to help identify a Team Parent Liaison.

Sign Up Genius Link is active: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f49a4ab2dabf85-parent>

Mike will coordinate year round communications with Team Parent Liaisons to help them prioritize the timely messages.

Meat Raffle Report

Will confirm the date 100% with Lynne Incardona (The Meat Lady)

Saturday January 25, 2020 is the same date as a Wrestling Tournament. This conflict proved to be difficult and resulted in event attendance reduction.

Boosters remain open to exploring other dates, venues and avenues.

Snack Shack Fall Preview - Marti Precurato Grubb

- -Assignment of dates to teams have been determined (see below)
- -Donations needed ASAP
- -Increased number of FALL dates open
- -Need items listed on onetiger.net page. The snack shack will not be as profitable without the help of product donations to offset the need to spend on inventory. Thank you to the families who have already made donations. Most needed items are: Gummy candy packs, chips, chocolate bard, bottles of water, Gatorade, soda, etc.

*****Easy Button*****

The link to order off Amazon and have delivered directly to the High School is HERE:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1H2AFXIFI6M4F?ref =wl_share

09/05/19	5:00 AM	G FH		Wagner	Marti
09/06/19	5:00 PM	H-FH-G		Wagner	BEFORE EVENT
09/06/19	7:00 PM	H-FB BV	WSE HS	Wagner	Cross Country 5 Parents
09/09/19	5:00 PM	H-Soc BV	Will South HS	Wagner	Cheerleading 1 parent/2 students
09/11/19	5:30 PM	H-Mod FB	Starpoint	Wagner	Boys Basket Ball I parent/students
09/12/19	5:00 PM	H-Soc BV	WSE HS	Wagner	Before EVENT
09/12/19	7:00 PM	H-FB JV	South Park HS	Wagner	GV Tennis 2 parents/students
09/17/19	530PM	H-Soc GV	Will East	Wagner	Girls Basket Ball 1 Parent/students
09/19/19	5:30 PM	H-Mod FB	Grand Island	Wagner	Boys Basket Ball 2 Parents
09/19/19	7:30 PM	H-FB JV	Will South HS	Wagner	GV Swim 2 parents/students
09/24/19	530pm	H-SOC GV	Maryvale	Wagner	Cheerleading 1 parent/2 students
09/27/19	7:00 PM	H-FB BV	Kenmore East HS	Wagner	GV Soccer 5 parents
10/02/19	5:30 PM	H-Mod FB	WSE HS	Wagner	Wrestling Boys 1 parent/students
10/04/19	5:00 PM	H-FH GV	Will South HS	Wagner	BEFORE EVENT
10/04/19	7:00 PM	H-FB BV	Sweet Home HS	Wagner	BV Soccer 5 parents
10/12/19	2:00 PM	H-FB BV	Albion HS	Wagner	GV Volleyball 2 Parents/ Students
10/17/19	5:00 PM	H-Soc GV	Hamburg HS	Wagner	Boys Golf 2 parents / students
10/17/19	7:00 PM	H-FB-JV	Grand Island	Wagner	GV FH 2 parents/ Students
10/18/19	5:00 PM	H-Soc BV	Kenmore West HS	Wagner	BOYS VOLLEYBALL 1 parent/student

TIGER CARD UPDATE - Alex Alicea

- As of 9/9 142 cards sold-accounted (172 cards sold last year-\$1,645 profit)
- 225 remaining in my stock
- Tennis Teams c/o Mr. Biddle sold over 70 cards!
- 30 in athletic office
- Best start to card sales yet!
- Cost \$564.55 - first 57 cards sold covered expense - balance is profit - potential profit \$4,435.45

The Tiger Card pre-sale incentive for the "party in the Press Box" was randomly selected and awarded to the untracked Tennis group of sales. The experience will be used for deserving students based on counselor feedback. Thank you Coach Biddle for the thoughtful idea.

Meeting Adjourned 8:30 pm

Meeting Minutes submitted by Lisa Roy, Secretary

**Next Meeting: Monday, October 7, 2019
7pm in the High School Library**