

Dakota High School Boosters
GENERAL Board Meeting: 2022/2023 Term Year
Agenda: Monday, April 24, 2023 @ 7:30pm

Board Members Present: Shari Burnham, Denise Duron, Dawn Schlitt, Michelle Steinhebel, Stephanie Gorecki, Joyce Cronin

Board Members Not Present: Phil Vernengo, RJ Duron

Administrative Present: none

Participants: Heather Khami, Joan Abraham, LaShira Wade, Karri Rogers, Wendell Mcilwain, Alisha Mcilwain, Rachel Lasater, Marleisy Robinson, Nicole Simonsen, Kimberly Heugh

- **Call to Order & Welcome-** Shari Burnham, President
 - Meeting called to order at 7:45pm
- **Committee Reports/ Old Business**
 - **President Report-** Shari Burnham
 - There was a schedule conflict tonight, Phil Vernengo is running concessions for Lacrosse game.
 - **Secretary's Reports/Approvals-** Joyce Cronin
 - February General Meeting minutes were provided for review; there was not a general Meeting in March.
 - Dawn Schlitt motioned to approve minutes, Heather Khami 2nd. Motion carried.
 - **Treasurer's Report/Approvals-** Dawn Schlitt
 - January, February and March Treasurer's Report was presented for review.
 - January Treasurer Report motion to approve by Heather Khami, 2nd by Shari Burnham. Motion carried.
 - February Treasurer Report motion to approve by Kim Heugh, 2nd by LaShira Wade. Motion carried.
 - March Treasurer Report motion to approve by Kim Heugh, 2nd by Rachel Lasater. Motion carried.
 - **Sports Trustee-**Phil Vernengo
 - Powder Puff game was this past Friday April 21, Seniors vs Juniors. Seniors won 20-19.
 - Baseball received new batting cage.
 - **Cultural and Fine Arts Trustee Report-**Michelle Steinhebel
 - Dakota Night Live; 330 tickets sold for Friday and 250 sold for Saturday.
 - Mixed Varsity and Woman's Varsity Choirs are competing at State's tomorrow at Rochester HS.
 - Choir Spring Spectacular is May 19.

- 1st ever Combined Choir & Band Fundraiser, goes until 5/12
 - Marching Band started, 117 members; last year there was 100 members.
 - Drumline was #1 in States which was 4/2 at EMU
 - Drumline competed at WGI in Dayton, placed 16; this is the 2nd time they have competed in this event.
 - 2 bands are going to States 4/26.
 - Spring Concert is May 21 at 2pm.
- **Service & Scholastic Leadership Trustee Report-Vacant**
 - Science Olympiad medaled in 3 events per Stephanie.
- **Volunteer/Donation Trustee- Joyce Cronin**
 - Winter ended the season on 3/15, Winter payout #2 was paid out; 90 credits total for \$3150 paid.
 - Spring Craft show credits were paid out, 234 credits total for \$8190 paid.
 - Board approved donations of \$1250 for teacher appreciation week.
 - Boosters approved to provide pop and chips at Senior BBQ.
 - Board approved \$500 donation to Performing Arts All Night Party for a slushy machine.
- **Marketing Report- Stephanie Gorecki**
 - Website has been updated.
 - Do need minutes to upload, Treasurer report has been uploaded.
 - Working on pages that show what we have donated.
 - Will be working on updating Booster Board online page on DHS website. Right now, if you go to that website thru DHS it takes you to our old page.
- **Concession Report- Denise Duron**
 - Large Track meets coming up plus graduation.
 - Will be ordering a pallet of water.
 - Preparing for Graduation needs, we host concessions plus sell bouquets, candy cups and fans; we also presell these items.
 - Trying to end season without excess product to be fresh for Fall.
 - Question from LaShira- no more Mr Pita or hotdogs?
 - Depending on event is how it is determined what we purchase to sell. Always looking for ways to minimize cost and time it takes for product handling. Still having issued finding normal concession items/supplies.
 - We have 4 large events to get thru for year.
 - Question on credit allocation for an incoming freshman? you chose when you work an event where your earned credit would be paid to.
 - What are the fans? Handheld fans that we ordered last year to sell on graduation day only. They are generic for graduation- no year. It can get quite warm up in the stands during ceremony.

- What is in the candy cups? We make them up as chocolate based or sugar candy based. We use a variety of the candy we sell. We try and presell as much as we can, it helps with the planning.
 - We will have blankets to sell in fall.
 - Based on a student committee- they are tired of the “D” they feel it is dated. We took this into advisement when picking our blanket design.
 - We are looking into options of a generic sweatshirt to sell also.
 - **Craft Show Trustee Report-** Shari Burnham
 - Craft show was held 3/18.
 - Huge success.
 - Attendance just under 2000 shoppers.
 - 172 crafters selling their wares.
 - Crafters very happy with our student help. Students help with set up and tear down, we have lots of volunteers to help the day go smoothly.
 - Holiday craft show is November 4.
 - We have sold 50% of vendor spots that are available.
 - Spring 2024 Craft show will be March 9 or 16, will be checking with AD on potential conflict with basketball season before date is confirmed.
 - **Student Trustee-** RJ Duron
 - Nothing to report.
- **School Administrative Report-Attending Administrators**
 - Shane Finney the AD, attended the Executive meeting but had to go out to the field for Lacrosse game. No Administrator to provide report tonight.
 - Senior last day and BBQ is May 25
 - Prom is June 15
 - Honor night is June 10
 - Heather will help at BBQ
 - Boosters will be awarding 8 \$1000 scholarships. Student must be involved in clubs or organizations while at DHS.
 - Only had 13 applicants. We were advised that scholarship applicants were down overall in community.
 - Students applied on a Jot form, provided 2 letters of recommendation, completed an essay. GPA is used for a tie breaker.
 - Still tabulating results, but winners will be announced during Honor Night.
 - Board will host dinner for winners and their parents.
- **New Business Update**
 - Election for next year Board will be held at next meeting in May; current Board has stated their intentions.

- In order to be able to vote at this meeting, you would have had to work 2 events and attended 2 meetings. Attending the May meeting does not count toward the criteria of attending a meeting.
- **Open Discussion & Attendee Questions**
 - Question- Any chance of having a 2 hour shift instead of a 4 hour shift when volunteering?
 - Split shifts don't always have consistency in help, 2nd shift doesn't always show up.
 - If a spot opens and you can help but a shorter or delayed start time, please contact us to see if we can make it work for you.
 - Possible to brainstorm for future events in fall.
 - When we are short volunteers we can't always make popcorn.
 - Question- What is the Service Scholastic trustee that is open?
 - This trustee would report on DECA, NHS, Key Club, groups/clubs that do not involve fine arts or athletics. You would be the facilitator between these groups and the Board.
 - Question- How are donations made?
 - Donations can be requested by any group in the school. If they have an ASN # they can receive funds. When you work an event, you chose where your credit will be applied.
 - Parent expressed interest in Craft Show Trustee, Shari asked if she'd be interested in co-chairing it?
 - Kyle from Mustangs introduced himself to Board. He is the VP. He stated that Mustangs have new Board; they would like to work with Dakota Boosters to build the relationship.
 - Shari asked if the members of Mustangs attending could continue the conversation when our meeting ended, they agreed.
 - Question was asked about Football night at the races, if we had any information.
 - It is May 5, \$50 ticket, information on Laurie Hamberg FB page.
 - Any questions for Board they can be emailed to dakotaboosters@gmail.com
- **Adjournment**
 - Meeting adjourned at 8:36pm