

Dakota High School Booster  
General Board Meeting 2022/2023 Term Year  
Agenda: Thursday, September 15, 2022 @7:30 pm

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**Board Members Present:** Shari Burnham, Denise Duron, Dawn Schlitt, Phil Verenego, Joyce Cronin

**Administrators Present:** Mr. Koskos, Mr. Finney

**General Members:** LaShira Wade, Meagan Mace, Elizabeth Wilson and Michelle Steinhebel

**Call to Order & Welcome:** Shari Burnham- President called to order at 7:34pm

- First general meeting of year, Board introduced themselves by name and position.

**Committee Reports/Old Business:**

- President Report: Shari Burnham
  - Will be posting October and November meeting dates and times. Meetings are not being held on a specific day i.e., Tuesdays, 3<sup>rd</sup> week of month. There would be a conflict with already scheduled athletic events if we did.
- Secretary's Report/Approvals: Joyce Cronin
  - Motion made to approve General Meeting Minutes by Dawn Schlitt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denise Duron. Motion carried unanimously.
- Treasurer's Report/Approvals: Dawn Schlitt
  - Treasurer's report presented for May 21/22, June 21/22 and July 21/22
  - Motion to approve May 21/22 made by Denise Duron, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shari Burnham. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Motion to approve June 21/22 made by Phil Verenego, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denise Duron. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Motion to approve July 21/22 made by Shari Burnham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil Verenego. Motion carried unanimously.
- Vice President: Denise Duron
  - Nothing to report
- Sports Trustee: Phil Verenego
  - Attendance seems high at events, not a lot to report
  - as of 3<sup>rd</sup> week Freshmen football are undefeated.
- Cultural & Fine Arts Trustee Report: open
  - Information provided by Denise Duron and Michelle Steinhebel
  - Drama-meeting on Tuesday for the musical Shrek
  - Marching Band is practicing, has 4 competitions this year, November 5<sup>th</sup> State Championship will compete downtown. They have an early competition time this year.
  - Drumline will start when marching band is over.
  - Winter Concert is December 11 at 2pm

- Collage concert is only 1 day this year on Friday, October 14.
- Tickets for events will be sold online this year.
- They have a day trip planned in May.
- Band banquet is Friday, November 18.
- Buy your tickets for “Win the Band” \$10 each to win a band concert after Thanksgiving Day parade at your house. Purchase tickets from band parents or at football games. This is their only fundraiser that is specifically for marching band.
- Service & Scholastic Leadership Trustee Report: open
  - Clubs just starting out.
  - Boosters taking over Cougarfest with Phil taking on this endeavor.
  - There are trips planned to Germany and England for the respective clubs.
  - Spanish may join CVHS for a Costa Rico trip.
  - No trip planed for French club that we are aware of.
- Volunteer/Donation Trustee: Joyce Cronin
  - Sign up Genius is up, find our link either thru Facebook or from the Boosters page in Dakota’s website. Volunteers can earn a \$35 credit that is paid to group of their choice. When you work an event like craft show or concessions, you earn that credit. Credits are paid out at the end of season but in Fall we do 2 payouts.
- Marketing Report: open
  - Shari is posting on our Facebook page information regarding boosters. She will post information for other groups to spread the word, like upcoming fundraisers, etc. This should be emailed to [dakotaboosters@gmail.com](mailto:dakotaboosters@gmail.com).
- Concession Report: Denise Duron
  - Need volunteers
  - Still a struggle to get some supplies like sugar candy, pretzels
  - Looking into purchasing a used pretzel warmer, would be second warmer. Found one for sale online. Have contacted seller.
- Craft Show Trustee Report: Shari Burnham
  - Fall Craft Show is November 5. It is sold out, actually, over booked. Will speak to Mr. Koskos for a way to make it work with extra booths that are needed. The hardest part is mapping the space, once that is completed, everything falls in place. \$30,000 was grossed last year.
  - Spring show is growing. Application is on our website.
  - Sign up will be up soon for the event. We also utilize student volunteers to either earn volunteer hours or money for their group. We use student help for set up and tear down along with some other day of spots.
- Student Trustee: RJ Duron
  - School started, in 8<sup>th</sup> day, things going well.
  - West entrance drop off has changed. Cones go up after buses go thru so parents cannot go thru bus line after buses leave parking lot.
- School Administrative Report: Mr. Koskos
  - Anxious and excited for school year. We have returned this year better than before pandemic. Vibe good in the building, 1<sup>st</sup> 2 weeks going well. Looking forward to full year of education. We are back to basics. Fundamentals right away.

- NHS induction 9/29. First Family Night out 9/27. Suicide Awareness 9/28. walk/run 10/15. 1<sup>st</sup> week of October is spirit week. Cougerfest by Boosters with Phil leading it. Link Crew advisors who had overseen cougerfest have stepped away from it.
- Great turnout for Meet the Teacher night, great audience.
- Student Section for Friday night Football needs some tweaking, it is a very energetic section.
- Athletic Director: Shane Finney
  - Excited to be here. He stated he will ask a lot of questions, wants to be aware of what's going on, learn, understand and support Boosters.
  - Athletics will be going digital in a lot of ways. Tickets are purchased through GoFan. No longer printing rosters- they will be available as QR code on game day.
  - Working with section leaders for an engaged activity. Had some issues at an earlier game that was halted immediately.
  - Teams: Football is undefeated, Volleyball is an amazing team, they are 9<sup>th</sup> in State, Soccer is growing they had a good battle with Stevenson last week, Swim team will be back in our pool on Monday. Cross Country has a meet coming soon.
  - Girls Lacrosse will still be a CO-OP team with CVHS for this school year. It was stated in the general meeting on May 17, 2022 that this team would be split into 2, one for each school. For the 22/23 school year, the girls will play 2 home games at Chip and 2 at Dakota
- New Business Updates: none
- Open Discussion & Attendee Questions:
  - From Michelle, at the Chip game it will be band 8<sup>th</sup> grade night. They will have extra band parents at the game to supervise.
  - Question where does the money go that is collected for stadium entrance? Per Mr. Koskos- the money goes to the district, then after costs are subtracted, there is a formula applied and money is redirected back to the schools -gives us budget back.
  - Michelle brought up that Band is looking for ways to offset transportation costs, Band is looking at what fundraising they can do for it. Mr. Koskos will reach out to Mr. Makarowicz regarding this.
  - Michelle Steinhebel expressed interest to join board as Cultural & Fine Arts Trustee. She will have some limitations during fall because of band. Motion made for Michelle to be Cultural & Fine Arts Trustee; motion carried unanimously.
- Adjournment: called at 8:56 pm