

Regina Athletic Booster Club Meeting
Wednesday March 10th, 2021
7:00 PM

Attendance/Prayer

Phil Arendt, Sean Beard, Jan Beaver, Myrna Boyle, Sarah McLaughlin, Jane Molony, Zach Ries, Leigha Rios, Bryce Smeins, Chase Stafford, Todd Streb, Ed Wallace, Beth Wick, Katie White, Geoff Wilming and Zach Wendehl from Quality Care.

Reports

AD-Bryce Smeins: Getting ready for spring sports, have approximately 42 girls out for track and about 28 boys. For soccer about 22 girls and 20 boys. For track all the meets will be co-ed and Chad Swope will be covering both programs. Working on getting the summer stuff ready to go.

Treasurer-Myrna Boyle: There is about \$25,000 in the bank and \$2,000 cash on hand. Nothing specific to point out unless there are any questions. St. Burch income will come in later.

President-Sean Beard: Had the votes come in between Quality Care and Krafka from the board. It was 11 votes for/ 0 votes and 1 did not vote. There was feedback from the Board of Education, Bryce and Glenn. Excited to have Quality Care. From a fiscal standpoint it is what we need to do, it is what is in the best interest of Regina.

Fish Fry update: Three weeks into it, have \$800.00 back from St. Burch. Our numbers did not go up, but we are going into spring break. It is not ideal, but we have positive cash flow. At the end of the day we will hope to have more positive cash flow than that.

Coaches:

Phil Arendt-Strength and Conditioning: We have gotten the final quote and are 10% over. \$330,000 with \$295,000 raised so far. We have someone who will match \$ for \$ on the last amount needed to be raised. Should be in hopefully by June or July. Anyone that would donate would be great, and the final renderings will be sent out. Great job Phil!

Zach Ries-Wrestling: Wrestling is finished, and the banquet is this weekend at Big Grove. We sent five wrestlers to districts and three wrestlers to state. Aiden Udell, got 4th at State, Ronan Poynton came close and Sam Aitchison got his first taste of state. Starting to use more sources for wrestling off season, Big Game and Ubaso and maybe use some of our space down the road. Sean says great job to Zach, heading in the right direction and a lot of positives. Put together some fundraising ideas to bring forward for the program.

Old Business:

February 10th, 2021 meeting minutes to approve: Motion to approve made by Sean Beard, second by Myrna Boyle, all in favor.

Katie White-Golf Tournament: Sean starts the discussion; of we would like an overview of the event and how it is run. It will probably be the signature event of the year and want to figure out how to raise the most money. Katie says we need to get title sponsors and heads of committees. Reach out to those that have helped in the past. It has been at Pleasant Valley, and we have not compared prices much. Check out what others may be able to get for service. In 2019 there was 36 teams, went 18 holes of golf, had 27-hole sponsors. Had a putting green contest that made \$1125. CSB sponsor gave \$925. Gross income was \$25,875.00 after cart fees, charges, etc. was \$21,819.00. Going forward, ideas to maximize space would be to put two teams per hole and enhance with entertainment at each to fundraise. Tom Hine with Pleasant Valley has taken a role in planning and has been supportive and helpful in the past, maybe can utilize him more. Next is to figure out a good weekend, set a date and decide who will all be involved. Possibilities to think about would be to combine with the Family Fun Fest and play a tournament on Friday and then come to the tent after. Sean and Todd both agree and like the idea of tying it into the Family Fun Fest, Ed Wallace states August is a good idea. Other options are to pick an Iowa bye weekend. There is no perfect date, but to if people know when it is, then what would be helpful, and market it. We need to talk with the BOE, AD, Events coordinator to get the green light to go ahead with the tournament and see if all could be coordinated with that weekend. To work around football scrimmage, coordinate golf and tie it into the family fun fest. All ideas that can be investigated and addressed with everyone involved.

BC Fundraising Campaign: We need an initiative outside of what we have. Must be more of an active campaign. We have a clear idea of our budget and need to stay accountable, but how to raise money? For the maintenance school will continue to pay until we can take it back, but how to we fundraise?

Jane Molony will continue checking with other schools on their fundraisers, golf seems to be everyone's big fundraiser. Another school has had a "Booster Bash" during football to bring awareness to their booster club, that could be another idea to think about. Gives people more idea of why they should join, what they can get by being members and tie more people in. So, it is not just "this" year that we go out and find members but keep the money and the members coming back year after year. Also talked about Amish pie sales, car raffles, 50/50 raffles, alumni tournaments, ask about taking on Benchwarmers. See what possibilities are out there to keep a positive cash flow.

Quality Care- Geoff Wilming and Zach Wendehl: Geoff says thank you for approving us. We have been working with the Iowa city school district for 26 years and have a background in this. Zach has been overseeing things for many years. We are here to entertain any question or concerns you may have. Our question is, who will be our main contact? It will be Bryce for day to day things, if there are any big decisions to be made it will come back to the Boosters.

Concerns coming from the Boosters, the contract. Having it be one year so that we have some flexibility, making sure capable of doing the work, having it work out the way we think then it can be there a lot longer. Open the floor to questions. If contract say it is for 20 applications and we only get 16, do we get billed only for what is done? Yes, will seek direction from Bryce. Will schedule a time to get the layout of irrigation for the fields. We have techs available for service. Jan Beaver asks do you have knowledge if infield needs redone on the softball field, can you do it? We could handle it and would consult with the coaches and get the dimensions. Need to check on the sloping, pitching mound and batter's box. If no other questions... Thank you to Quality Care. Sean, Bryce will set up a meeting next week with Zach.

Regal Cast-Brandon Mills: Not able to be present, Sean read the report. In short, Jess can help with laptops but not hotspots. He gave some good advice on the hotspots. When the time comes to get one, we should just get one Verizon hotspot. Talked with Mr. Foley about the sound board, and my estimate was close to what that is going to cost. He is going to let us use the Regal Cast board as a POC with the Hudl Focus camera (as long as we get that done prior to returning the board to Regal Cast). Based on that, ready to start buying equipment.

Need to refine the letter and get list of businesses. Start sending letters out to Regina owned companies to get on board. How do we market, and keep comparable for fall, winter, spring/summer. Maybe a rate of \$500.00 for one season or flat rate for the whole year?

Sean Beard makes a motion to instruct Brandon to purchase equipment, Myrna Boyle second, all in favor. Sean Beard made a motion to charge flat \$500.00 per season or \$1250.00 for all three seasons, Jane Molony second, all in favor.

Adjourn: If no new business or other comments, motion to adjourn made by Sean Beard, second by Sarah McLaughlin, all in favor. 8:14 PM

Next Regina Athletic Booster Meeting is Wednesday April 14th 6:00

Respectfully submitted by Leigha Rios