

# RHAM SPORTS BOOSTERS

## Board Meeting October 2, 2017

### RHAM High School - 7:30

**Board Attendees: Vin Colonna, Steve Turco, Mary Cochefski, Alexandra Smith**

**See attached for additional public attendees**

### **Welcome/ Public Comment**

#### **Freshman Basketball**

- Jacob Dietz, student, provided a list of girls and boys who are interested in having Freshman basketball teams.
- Families are willing to fundraise and help with costs associated with fielding two teams (coaching, transportation, etc.)
- Group will research sponsorship funds from Corporations such as Travelers
- Wendy Dietz ready to start fundraising but needs to know if the Administration has approved the idea of having Freshman teams
- The Group agreed that it would be helpful for the Varsity basketball programs to help fund the Freshman teams as well.
- Sports Boosters will assist these efforts for Freshman teams once approved from Administration.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Secretary-** 9/6 minutes approved

**Treasurer report-** Balance is \$19,132

### **Open Positions**

**Membership, Communications-** still open.

- Student representatives are Daphne Wampold, Luke Slayter, David Kasper and Moss Smith. Student reps will act as liaisons to the student body, will help coordinate social media efforts, organize events, as well as boost attendance at games.

## **Operations update- None**

## **Open House- High School, Middle School-**

Excellent membership and apparel sales at both events.

## **Apparel – Current Inventory, Rhampage shirts**

An additional order of Rampage shirts was made to sell at the Coaches vs Cancer soccer and football events Oct 6 and Oct 7.

## **RHAM Admin.**

- The State of CT budget could severely impact Rham. We will know more in the next couple of weeks, but could mean that many sports programs get cut from the current school year.
- A survey on sports and extracurriculars will be sent to all MS and HS students to see their interests and help decide what cuts could be made.
- Freshmen sports are a concern, and the Superintendent will research the viability and see what other schools Rham could compete against.

## **Team Liaisons-** Beth Turo

## **Special Events**

### **Coaches vs Cancer**

10/6 and 10/7

- Joe Petroni to DJ
- Rhampage shirts sold to students at lunch on 10/6 and at the soccer game
- 10/7 fan tailgating will start at 4:30
- Grills will be available for parents and students
- Video will be taken to demonstrate community support for night events

### **Wine tasting 11/11-** Ongoing

- Will sell tix online and at various locations in town.
- Jen B sent sponsorship letter to local businesses. Looking 5 big ticket items to raffle at the event. Rich V. to handle wine tasting.

- Sponsors - \$100 min for 2 tickets  
\$250 for signage at the event and 2 tickets

Other team fundraising events

- Football hosting Casino Night Oct 14

### **Athlete of the Week**

- Vin to email coaches and get their input for reinstating the program for the winter season

### **New Business**

Financial Request - Girls tennis would like to raise funds for bleachers at the tennis courts. Vin provided different options of how they could attain the bleachers. Ideas are to contact Rich Calarco in case he has extra the town is not using or if he knows of some that other towns might be disposing of. Or to try and contact other local colleges and universities before investing in new bleachers. Once tennis has done some research the group agreed the team should approach the Boosters with their findings.

- Senior Nights - TBD
- Sports Banquets - 11/14 - MS ice cream social  
12/5 HS - Dinner by Gina Marie's
- Next Meeting - TBD

### Attendees

### Email

Julie Donnelly  
Barbara Meyer  
Kevin Hartley  
Maria Baroncini  
Tammy Waddell  
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