

# **PMHS ATHLETIC BOOSTERS**

## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

### **February 8, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was conducted via Microsoft Teams due to the COVID-19 Pandemic keeping us from gathering at Patterson Mill. Maya Shertzer called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

**ATTENDEES:** Maya Shertzer, Julie Bechtel, Christian Shertzer, Jacob Bechtel, Jeroud Clark, Alison March, Jennifer Heymann, Sharon Bloss, Karen Pickard, Steve Lurz, Tina Tolliver, Lindsey Tolliver, and Charlie Tangires

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the January 2021 meeting were reviewed. Small corrections were made to clarify the sports books that John Campo has been working on. A motion was brought and seconded for approval of the minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Jen Heymann provided the financial update from mid-January to mid-February. The cash balance on hand is \$35,749 as of tonight's meeting. Income was only brought in by membership this past month. \$39,641 was the balance at our last meeting. Payments were issued for the girls softball uniforms (\$3,992). Coach Clark shared that the \$1000 on the books for Huddl for football can be taken off the list now as they won't be using it now that fall sports will not take place. A motion was brought and seconded for approval of the financial statement. The statement was approved unanimously.

**ATHLETIC DIRECTOR UPDATE:** Coach Clark shared information from the last month. The county's athletic directors weren't sure what was going to happen with fall and spring seasons but Dr. Bulson made decisions today (2/8/21). Fall sports will not happen. Spring sports will go forward but buildings will be closed for athletics. Conditioning sessions are allowed to start on 3/1/21 but may have to take place at off campus locations. Outdoor practices can begin on 3/15/21. First games will be allowed on or around 4/6/21. Practices and games must start at 4 pm or later on Mon-Thurs. Practices and games must start at 3 pm or later on Friday. There will be buses provided for away games. Practices are only allowed to be 90 minutes long. Games will not be rescheduled for any reason. All athletes must have a sports physical to participate. Academic eligibility is being required and will use 2nd marking period grades. Waivers will be considered. No participation fees will be charged for the season. Students do not have to be participating with in person school to participate in athletics.

Spectator rules are still a little up in the air. Options are all family members can come, 2 family members can come or no spectators will be allowed. Clarification will come soon. Any visitor or coach not participating in game activity will have to wear masks. Athletes will need to wear masks when they are not participating in game action. No concessions are able to be sold and no gate fees will be charged. Scheduling is still being decided as well. There are options to play only Harford County teams and only Harford and Cecil teams in our conference. MPSSAA has put together a state playoff tournament but it is up to individual counties to decide if they are participating. Its probable that regular seasons will be finalized by Memorial Day weekend with any playoff format taking place after

that. There will be a meeting with spring coaches next week and then there will be parent meetings sometime after that.

**MEMBERSHIP:** A discussion was had about whether we should offer memberships to spring sports families. Seniors must be members by April 1 to apply for the scholarships. We will promote memberships during parent meetings when they take place for spring sports. The membership form might need to be updated and then will be shared with Coach Clark.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

*Scholarships:* Application is available on the website. It will be shared with the guidance counselors and promoted on Facebook.

*Team Uniforms:* Boys soccer and cross country uniforms need to be considered for fall 2021. Tryouts for fall sports are currently scheduled for Wednesday, August 11 so we'd need these uniforms in shortly after that date to be available for scrimmages. Girls soccer uniforms were replaced in Feb 2020 and the cost for those was \$2500.

*Fundraisers:* A Super Bowl pool and a March Madness competition were talked about last month but weren't able to be undertaken. Harford County was not able to issue gambling permits for these fundraisers until sports gambling rules are clarified by state lawmakers. A decision was made by the Board to wait to do this type of fundraiser until we could do it with a permit.

*Senior Athlete recognition event:* Since there will be no fall or winter sports seasons this school year, we are looking to do an event before the school year ends to recognize graduating fall and winter athletes. Ideas were shared but a decision was made that we can't make plans until students are back in school and decisions have been made about whether spectators are allowed on campus for events. Some ideas that will be explored are to include fundraising in the event... flower sales, raffling baskets, etc. We are not able to sell food under current restrictions.

**FINANCIAL APPROVALS:** The following item was voted on and unanimously approved:

\$592 approved to cover additional cost for softball uniforms

#### **CLOSURE:**

Next Board of Directors meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 16th at 6:30pm.

Next General Membership meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 16th at 7pm.

Both will likely be held virtually via Microsoft Teams.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Minutes prepared by Alison March