



MINUTES

FMHS Cross Country/Track Booster Club

February 16, 2010 / FMHS Field House/Team Meeting Room

I. WELCOME

President – Craig Walter opened the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Craig re-iterated the new “Booster Buck” Program and also said a door prize was going to be awarded tonight. The prize was two Texas Brahmas Hockey tickets.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – J. Craig Walter

The minutes of the January 5 meeting were accepted as submitted via email.

III. PRESIDENT’S REPORT – J. Craig Walter

- Middle School Meets – Summary of meets presented, 3 meets, 580 runners, Thanks to core group of parent volunteers. Jim Cook, Jacqueline Qureshi, Sharon Fritts, Alicia Waterman, Barb Walther, Bob Dubek, Karen Hazboun, Tracy Walter
- Track Season: Review of Kickoff meeting, poor parental attendance. First MS meet is March 10, Marleen Milles is chairing the concessions for the season, Christina Long will aid and train.
- Track Banquet: Karen Hazboun will be chairing this event, and looking for venues, the target date is May 22.
- Permanent Storage: The Booster Club will aid coach in securing permanent storage.

IV. TREASURER’S REPORT – Sharon Fritts(Zeller)

- Current bank account balance is \$11,017.12.
- Minor activity this month.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Membership** – There is one two new members to the Booster Club.
- **Spirit Wear** – Alicia reports brisk sales of vintage stock at the Track Kickoff meeting.
- **Sponsorship – Scott Sanderson** – Scott discussed the “buy back” method of sponsorship, and the pros/cons. The general consensus was that it was difficult to administer. Scott proposed creating and distributing a donor sheet for members to use for direct soliciting (i.e. their vet, hair stylist, oil change, etc.) This idea will be developed. Corporate sponsorships were discussed, with emphasis on large companies with local ties. Scott announced the acquisition of the replacement sound/PA equipment, donated by Albert Leon’s company. The donation will be recognized by a prominent display on the next Club event T-shirt.
- **MS Track Concessions – Marleen Milles** Marleen said Renee Smith would be recruiting for volunteers. Preparation of the south concession stand is in progress.

VI. Coaches Report: Coach Andrew Cook

- First meet this Saturday, training has gone well. Equipment levels are good, no new materials needed. Acquired a new high jump pad this past week.
- Coach talked about recent discussions regarding the construction of a permanent CC/Track storage facility as part of the football field house construction. Our plight was noted by Coach Mays, who is in a strong position to aid in resolving this problem. Coach was optimistic on a positive solution.
- Materials ordered online are still in route. Coach felt this should have been completed by now.

- Coach said the LISD proposal of moving up the school start time by 30 minutes should negligibly affect next years CC training. He said the athletes would just come 30 minutes earlier for practice.
- El Paso HS will be coming to the Jaguar Invitational.

VII. Old Business – Jaguar Invitational

- Craig discussed the upcoming event and opened the Chairman position and all Sub-Chair positions to interested volunteers. Eight Sub-Chair positions were discussed, with general responsibilities outlined. Marleen Milles committed to chair concessions, and Tim Milles Awards. The remaining positions will be listed on the website or email blast for filling.

VIII. New Business

- **End of Year Run (EOYR)** – History of the event was discussed. The goal had always been to generate long term interest in FMHS running through the interaction with elementary school students. FMHS athletes would go to the schools in running attire, and promote running, and encourage participation in the EOYR. A very motivated Club parent made the early years of this event very successful. Last year the elementary schools prevented all student contact and only allowed flyer distribution through the PE teachers. This along with waning Club interest, competing events, swine flu, foul weather, made a poorly attended event. The level of effort and expense was weighed with the returns, both tangible and intangible. It was decided that FMHS Track/CC Athlete interaction with elementary students was a major element, any future run would require this component. Coach said he would investigate a change in policy.
- **Door Prize** – Two tickets to a Texas Brahmas Hockey game, were awarded to Tim Milles. The tickets were donated by the Texas Brahmas

The next meeting will be held March 9th in the Field House at 7:00 p.m. A motion was made to adjourn by Vicki Gulley; seconded by Tim Milles. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Craig Walter
February 17th, 2010