

MINUTES
FMHS Cross Country/ Track Booster Club
November 9, 2010
FMHS Field House/Team Meeting Room

I. WELCOME

The meeting was called to order by President Craig Walter at 7:04 pm.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 5, 2010 meeting were posted to the www.fmjagscc.com website and notice was provided to the membership. Kim Walts announced that a correction would be made to show the amount added to the budget to pay for the girls' uniforms should read \$810, in lieu of \$180. Alicia Waterman moved that the minutes be accepted with the noted correction. A second was offered by Sam Van Scoyoc. The minutes were unanimously accepted.

III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – J. CRAIG WALTER

- End of Season – The middle school cross country meets and the banquet are the only events left on the fall semester agenda. A couple of things successfully accomplished throughout the fall were (1) a smooth transition of spirit wear sales to a new coordinator, (2) a new course established for the FM Invitational Meet.
- Craig offered special thanks to all those who volunteered and helped out with the athletes that attended the regional meet.
- Wall of Honor – Approximately 40 feet of wall space in the field house to be used to recognize achievements of excelling teams and individuals in both the cross country and track programs. Volunteers needed with creative abilities to head up this project. The Booster Club will financial support the project. Alicia Waterman suggested establishing a start-up budget of \$200. Discussion was tabled until future meetings and until a project director can be put in place.
- Homecoming – Coach Cook thought the Cross Country group ended up around the “middle of the pack” in terms of involvement/performance at the parade/pep rally. General feedback was that the event as a whole was not spectator-friendly.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT – SHARON FRITTS (ZELLER)

- The spirit wear budget has been increased by \$112 to accommodate invoices. There was also a charge of \$179.75 for online entry fees for the Nike South Regional Meet. A total of \$93 in excess of the budget amount for supplies at the FM Invitational was covered with the remaining funds in the trophy budget for the same event.
- Monthly Income/Expenses
 - Income – Program Fundraiser (\$478), Spirit wear sales & Memory Book Ad Sales
 - Expenses – Uniforms, Spirit wear, FM Invitational expenses
 - Note that Coach Cook is still attempting to collect approximately \$400 in entry fees for the FM Invitational Meet.
 - Current Balance = \$13,603.73

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Membership – Sam Van Scoyoc reported that membership “stalled” at 67% of the cross country families. At this point, his plan is to start working on building the track family membership base.
- Spirit Wear – Alicia Waterman reported that she is working on track spirit wear now. She still has a few t-shirts and shorts. For track, items to be added are: Caps, Beanies, Girls & Boys Pants, Sweats, Long & Short-Sleeved Shirts. Also, announced that she will be using more generic logos since so many athletes participate in multiple sports.
- Banquet – Karen Hazboun reported that only 12 athletes and a total of 32 people have RSVP'd and paid for the banquet. She is also desperately seeking donations for the silent auction. The second deposit will be due soon for the banquet hall. Jani Blocker is working on a banquet theme.
- Sponsorship – Craig announced that the Flower Mound Presbyterian Hospital had an incorrect address and that they were sending out a new check. No other news at this time.

VI. COACH'S REPORT – COACH ANDREW COOK

- District Meet – Varsity Girls are District Champs. Varsity Boys are the District Runner-Up. JV Girls are the District Runner-Up. JV Boys are District Champs.
- Regional Meet – Girls were the Regional Runner-Up, finishing 2nd to Southlake-Carroll by 13 points. Connor Ward now holds the school record with a time of 11:06. Boys probably had their worst race of the year and still finished 3rd to qualify for the State Meet.
- State Meet – Coach expects the girls team to finish somewhere between 1st and 7th; the boys to finish anywhere from 5th to 12th.
- Season Review – For the girls, the positives were great leadership, lots of hard workers, runners that were not afraid to take initiative in their own training. The only negative was that the girls suffered too many injuries. For the boys, the positives were that they had a great team dynamic, they were all best friends. On the negative side, Coach felt they were not as driven and even sometimes complacent, allowing teams to beat them that shouldn't have. For improvement, the girls need to work on staying healthier and the boys need to develop some strong leaders.
- Spring Semester – Focus will be on getting ready for Track & Field season and also increasing distance in workouts.
- Bus issue for State – The district has offered to provide a 46 passenger bus for this trip. There are 45 people travelling. This presents an issue because the type of bus to be provided has no storage for luggage, tents, etc. Marcus may offer the use of their trailer. Coach asked the Booster Club to consider getting another bus for this trip at our expense. Sam Van Scoyoc made a motion for the Booster Club to provide a bus for this trip, with the understanding that the Marcus HS Booster Club has agreed to split this cost. The total cost is not to exceed \$900 for each school. Vicki Gulley seconded the motion. After much discussion, the motion carried. Votes were cast as follows: Aye – 11; Nay – 1; Abstained – 1. Coach will continue to follow up with the district regarding several possibilities that are currently being considered to resolve this issue.
- 5K Distance for Girls' Races – This is being pushed for next year within our district. More info to come.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- Middle School Cross Country Meets –
 - Meets will start on 11/10 and there will be 4 races.
 - There will only be 2 races per event – 7th Grade and 8th Grade. Two chutes will be set up, one for girls, one for boys.
 - Volunteers should arrive by 4:00 on race day. Event should be complete by 6:00pm.
 - Meets will be held at Gerault Park, starting near the baseball fields.
 - FMHS Athletes will act as Course Marshals.
- No news regarding a permanent storage facility to report.
- Track Facilities should be addressed by the district sometime this spring. No definite dates have been provided.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- State Meet – Karen Hazboun and Sharon Fritts will bring water. Larry Waterman will bring the tent and the tarp. Sharon Fritts announced that cost to get in to the meet is \$5 per person, regardless of age.
- Alicia Waterman announced that State T-shirts will arrive Thursday morning and be delivered to the athletes.
- Finish Line Banner – Craig Walter announced that the digital files for the original banner have been located. Kinkos will make the banner for us for a very good price. Alicia Waterman moved that we replace our Finish Line Banner for a cost not to exceed \$200. Karen Hazboun seconded the motion. All voted AYE and the motion carried unanimously.
- Coach announced that the top 7 runners will compete at Nike South Cross Regionals as Varsity. The other runners will compete in the “Open” race.

A motion was made by Sam Van Scoyoc to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Barb Walther. All voted “Aye”, none opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
 Kim Walts
 December 6, 2010