

Location: Gold Hill Middle School

Attendees:

Daniel McCallum, FMSDAC
Grey Young, SMS
James White, GHMS
Matt Wallace, FMMS
Helen Combs, SMS
Tommy Schmolze, FMSD*

Melissa Helms, FMMS Booster*
Jill Marr, FMMS Booster
Dawne Reddeck, SMS Booster
Lisa McCarley, FMSDAB
TBD, FMMS

Brian Horine, GHMS Booster*
Carrie Newman, GHMS Booster
Steve Sappe, SMS Booster*
Camille Randolph, SMS Booster
TBD, FMMS
(*Not Present)

Minutes

- A. Call to Order (L. McCarley)
- B. Approval of Prior Minutes
- C. Nomination of officers/committees (L. McCarley) - Secretary ; McCarley mentioned Brian Horine’s involvement with the group and offered to discuss situation with him.
- D. Discussion of Non-Profit Status, By Laws and Articles of Incorporation, Start Up Financials (L McCarley/C. Randolph on behalf of M. Helms) –
 - Non-Profit status is still being pursued, but requires approval by the State of SC. The State has asked for additional information prior to granting state approval, including social security numbers of the current officers.
 - The question was raised if it is necessary for the booster club and board officers to be bonded and if we are already covered by the district’s policy. It was decided that this needs to be reviewed and evaluated for the protection of all.
 - Security of the funds generated at the school was also discussed as an opportunity for improvement. Many of the treasurers have hundreds of dollars coming in and out of the school. The suggested was made for the treasurers to work with the Administrator on Duty to keep the funded secured in the school’s safe until a time that the funds can be counted and then deposited. Policies need to be established for the security of funds for the booster clubs.
- E. Transition from 3 ADs to 1 AC (D. McCallum) – All has gone well with this transition and is now complete. This item can be changed to Report from Athletic Coordinator for future meetings. McCallum did mention an expense of \$100/per person for State mandated training for new coaches. For the fall \$500 was spent for this training.
- F. Activity Fees & Scholarships (L. McCarley) – The three schools will provide their final numbers for fall scholarships and athletes at the October meeting. Preliminary numbers show approximately 35 full or partial scholarships between the three schools (10 – SMS, 16 – GHMS, 9 – FMMS). AA’s are negotiating with the families for partial payments and/or volunteer opportunities with the booster clubs.

Discussion was held regarding setting a limit to the number or amount of scholarships that will be available through the year. Suggestions were made regarding a point system for the families to repay their scholarship with volunteer hours prior to receiving a second scholarship. SMS is already implementing a program. Decision was made to work with the district to see what limitations the board would have and if this would be authorized.
- G. Scheduling and Conference Discussion (D. McCallum) – Everything is in place for the winter season. Additional games have been added to maximize the amount of play time for each athlete and the amount of revenue for each school. All schedules will be posted on the Athletic Board website.

- H. Coaches Meetings (D. McCallum) – There are still vacancies for coaches for the winter sports, especially at GHMS.
- Meeting with Winter Coaches
 - Cheerleading safety & training – McCallum and Schmolze have had multiple discussions regarding the safety of the cheerleading program. The district has evaluated the training and feels the sport to be as safe as possible with the necessary precautions being made. It is now up to each school’s principal to decide to what level the cheerleading program will be able to stunt. The only stipulation by the district is to abide by regulations set forth by the SC High School League.
- I. Fundraising (L. McCarley) – Goal \$40,000 Requirement \$32,000
(Note: Fundraising events not already in place will be held until the golf tournament is complete and the fundraising committee is able to discuss the options for future needs.)
1. Sponsorships/Pledges
 - a. Yearly Sports Passes – It was voted to have the payments for the passes to be paid from the booster clubs to the schools 797 fund. The 797 is where each school tracks the gate receipts. This payment by the booster club is to be made prior to the last home football games and needs to be reported as a separate entry by the bookkeeper.
 - b. Season Passes – In order to keep the value of the yearly passes, the group decided not to offer season passes at this time.
 2. **Golf Tournament, Sept. 17 at 10:00, moved to Tega Cay Golf Club**
Tournament is expected to be full and is still on target to raise \$8,000-\$10,000
 3. Cabin Fever Evening/ Casino Night – To be discussed at a later date.
 4. Field Rental/Tournaments – School District will be having the final meeting soon regarding rental of field use. Once this has been established, events can be determined.
 5. Concert – To be discussed at a later date.
 6. Carnival – To be discussed at a later date.
- J. Health of Athletic Board – Discussion was held regarding the long term health of the board. It is important to start working/recruiting for new members that will represent 6th, 7th and 8th grade student-athletes. Further discussions need to be had to keep this at the forefront.
- K. Transportation for Athletes - Change for the winter in transportation will have genders traveling together on busses, not grades.
- L. Middle School Students playing on High School Teams – Further discussion with T. Schmolze present.

Next Meeting, Monday, Oct. 18th, 2010 at Towne Tavern-Suite 160. (Meals are available for purchase. The Athletic Board will not be responsible for providing meals.)

Meeting adjourned 9:00 p.m.