

Independence Athletic Boosters

Meeting minutes from October 21, 2009

Attendees: Ray Martin, Joe Kanyok, Jerry Narduzzi, Tim Skoczen, Dave Linscott, John Kapusta, Bob Juran, Bob Fields, Ken Storme, Don Krolkowski, Mike Osysko, Terry Boylan, Lisajoy Kemenyes

- Minutes approved from September meeting.

Treasurer's Report (provided by Dave Linscott):

- Balance sheet was provided and reviewed.
- Expenses/bill from baseball field needs to be re-submitted to city of Independence

Athletic Director updates (Tim Skoczen):

- Proposal to increase the number of "athlete of the week" awards from 10 to 12 during the Fall season.
- Outback steakhouse date was confirmed for November 17, prior to the Fall Sports award program.
- Request and presented quote for a new John Deere Gator tractor (approx cost is \$7,000).
- Request and presented quote from Dollamur for a set of 4 new wrestling mats (approx cost is \$23,000):
 - High school competition gym-demo mat for meets
 - Middle school wrestling room
 - Sectional piece of mat
 - High school wrestling room
- Boosters recent financial support to programs :
 - Middle school football pizza party (Independence versus Cuyahoga Heights)
 - Multi-team warm-ups for soccer, cross country, track, swimming
 - New Cheerleader uniforms
 - Renee Roche volleyball tournament

- Tim Skoczen provided and update on Athletic department news.

Proposed Website

- Don Krolkowski provided a demonstration of the Independence boosters shared website, split between academics, athletics and the arts/music. Athletic Booster information will be posted to this site in the near future.

New Business

- Proposed dates for 2nd annual Wine tasting event (March, April or May)
- 2nd annual Holiday Boys and Girls basketball tournament will be held from December 17 to 19
- Boosters need to identify a new vice president; Ohio schools site a conflict of interest between Board of Education and participation on additional boards.
- Holiday Inn Independence (tentative) will be hosting the November board meeting.
- Opportunity for fund raising was discussed; provide dealers for charity card playing events in Cleveland.
- Question was raised on becoming a 501c3 chartered organization, further review is needed.