

Booster Club
April 18, 2016

Members Present: Jennifer Daul, Angela Rein, Heather Wolf, Anne Levin, Ann Commers, Kevin Huepenbecker, Shelley Berven

Attending: Theresa Neal, Jim Kinsman

Minutes:

- 3/21/2016 Minutes Approved -- will go to Margaret to post.

Principal's Report:

- Facilities Master Plan
 - Parents and students made a trip to Alexandria High School to see school design by project management group responsible for Como's upcoming redesign. Ann C. and Jennifer were on trip and saw many positives and potential in Alexandria H.S. design.
 - Facilities Master Plan meetings will be Tuesday evenings. A goal for design is to tie to academics. The Facilities Master Plan committee will look at flexibility and building relationships and community.
 - A Steering Committee will also be forming to liaison with the project management group and district. There will be a link on Como's website. Their meetings will be on Tuesday mornings.
- Parent & Community Council Meeting is on Tuesday 4/19
 - There will be a presentation on Athletic upgrade. There are dedicated parents and coaches advocating to the Board for Como, which has moved into the first cycle, but ideally the upgrade would happen in sync with the overall Facilities upgrade. While Como will get many needs in Athletics upgrade, not everything will be included. But this makes for a good opportunity for fundraising.
- Budget – The board anticipates a shortfall. There will be budget info provided at the Parent & Community Council meeting and Coffee with the Principal.
- Freshman Orientation – This Thursday 4/21 and next week - Wednesday evening.
 - Can Booster Club members staff a table (spirit wear) and help with greeting families?
- Murray 8th graders will be at Como next Tuesday morning.
 - Does the Booster Club want to send anything home with them for the parents?

Budget:

- Laura provided a draft budget for the Senior Grad Party – the draft budget will be discussed at the Grad Party meeting on Monday, 4/25.

Senior All Night Grad Party:

- We'll save discussion of the budget and planning progress for the Grad Party meeting – Mon. 4/25 at 6:30 in Grad Office

Taste of Como:

- Anne L. did Robo Call with Margaret's script for Mon. 4/18 and Sun. 4/24. Posters are up. Bottled water is purchased and there are some booster club supplies (plates, napkins, paper boats) to use. Ann C. may have plastic forks to donate. Anne L. will get remaining supplies. Ann B. can help set up night of. Ann C. will bring design team down to see example of school community use.

Teacher conferences/dinner:

- Suggestion to Booster Club to provide dinner for teachers and staff on May 5, 2016 – Cinco de Mayo theme. Ann C. and Jennifer will be approaching local restaurant to see if they could provide a buffet. Will look into donation options to cover cost of food (possibly leftover funds from teacher staff day breakfast, other donation options.)

Booster Club:

- **Openings:** There are members moving on and stepping down, so need to plan ahead for next year and recruit new members, board candidates. Look for people to commit to board positions by next month so the Booster Club can vote. Heather will be stepping down. Anne L. open to becoming secretary. Key needs also include heads for Fundraising and Volunteers – Ann C. plans to create "Want Ads". One suggestion for board is that everyone have a co-chair/partner. Goal to build membership and increase diversity. See if teachers and staff would have suggestions for candidates.
- **Promoting Booster Club:** Have a sign that shows what the Booster Club has funded and supported: Grants and student groups, Homecoming, Grad Party, Concessions... Could go in front entrance and be available to post as events. Could ask those who receive grants to recognize support of Booster Club to further get word out.
- **Concessions:** Will try to meet with AD soon during daytime to find out his plans for concessions for next school year and how Booster Club can support that – and date of Homecoming. Suggestion that a portable booth would be a help for outdoor events or even to go in hall at school. Homecoming needs advance planning before the end of summer/start of school.