

April 16, 2009 Board of Director Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alburnett Community School District Foundation was called to Order by Al Sorensen at 6:00 p.m. on April 16, 2009, at Farmers State Bank. Board Members present were Carl Meiners, Sherry Cook, Eric Heims, Al Sorensen, Esther Kremer, Gregg Smith, Patty Shaffer, Wendy Callahan, Susan Koch, Sharon Robertson, Jeanie Neighbor, Mike Olinger, Bob Berry and Kelly Baier. Jeff Christopherson and Dave Boesenberg were also present. The Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The Board considered the following business:

Diamonds

A discussion was held regarding permitting youth baseball and softball teams from Center Point to use the Foundation diamonds for "home" games. It was agreed to permit such use. A further discussion was conducted with respect to providing concessions during the games. It was decided that at this time, the Booster Club would not try to run a concession stand during the games, except for USSSA U11 tournaments.

Building Committee

The Building Committee, consisting of Gregg Smith, Chair, Patty Shaffer, Jeff Christopherson, Dawnell Pauly and Karen Miller, are gathering ideas for the concession stand. A discussion was held regarding whether there should be more than one stand and it was decided that one concession stand was the preferable approach. Mr. Baier is to follow up with Denver regarding the plans they used for their stand. The Committee will also check out the new facility at Linn Mar's new elementary school.

Gala

Ms. Koch, Ms. Shaffer, Ms. Neighbor, Ms. Callahan and Ms. Cook reported on the plans for the Gala to be held April 18. Tickets are selling well and we expect a sell out. Board members were encouraged to sell more raffle tickets. We will have significantly more live auction and silent auction items. Board members were asked to help set up the Ballroom early on the afternoon of April 18. Mr. Sorensen, Dennis and Patty Shaffer will handle the check in functions. City State Bank is sponsoring the Ring Toss.

Community Service

Mr. Meiners has contacted Linda Franck to arrange for a group of high school students to work on projects at the Foundation Site as part of their community service day on April 30. Mr. Meiners will coordinate this effort.

Financial Report

Mr. Heims presented the Financial Report. He discussed the planned accounting for the Gala. The Financial Report was approved.

Site Work

Mr. Berry discussed the installation of the backstop at the upper diamond. Additional dirt work needs to be done in left field on the upper diamond. Mr. Berry is working on obtaining materials for batting cages. He also has obtained bases for the diamond. Mr. Boesenberg will obtain some shelving for the shed. He may also be able to obtain shelving for the concession stand. Mr. Berry has negotiated obtaining additional asphalt chips as part of buying rock. Mr. Heims will redouble his efforts to encourage Mr. Weber to turn his attention to completion of the grading of the track.

Pillars Scholarships

Mr. Olinger reported on the process to be followed for selection of this year's recipients. A discussion was held regarding under what circumstances a scholarship might be revoked. Mr. Olinger will draft a proposal for dealing with this situation. A discussion was also held about the possibility of reducing the number of recipients next year to three.

Pirate Dash

Ms. Robertson reported on her work for the Alburnett Pirate Dash during Benefit Days. She circulated the draft entry form for comments. She also discussed plans for advertising the race.

Newsletter

Because the next newsletter will be printed before our next meeting, information on the Foundation's summer activities was gathered for submission to the newsletter. Initial plans for the Pancake Breakfast were discussed.

Next Meeting

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at Farmers State Bank.

Kelly R. Baier, Secretary