

August 20, 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 August 20, 2009, at Farmers State Bank. Board Members present were Al Sorensen, Sharon Robertson, Wendy Callahan, Patty Shaffer, Mike Olinger, Carl Meiners, Gregg Smith, Mike Olinger, Jean Neighbor and Kelly Baier. DeDe Eschen, Jeff Christopherson, Allyn Miller, Will Townsend, Tim Townsend, Adam Miller, Nicholas Morrison, Jennifer Slife, Dawnell Pauly, and Marv Porter were also present. The Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The financial reports were given and approved. The Board considered the following business:

Pirate Dash

Ms. Robertson reported on the inaugural Alburnett Pirate Dash during Benefit Days. She has received many favorable comments on the race and we are looking forward to increased participation next year. Ms. Robertson also discussed some possible ideas for changes to the course and a possible student entry fee.

Alumni Softball Games

Ms. Callahan reported on the Alumni Softball Games and some ideas for increasing revenue next year. She also discussed holding the games earlier in the year to attempt to avoid scheduling conflicts.

Pancake Breakfast

Mr. Baier reported on the Pancake Breakfast. We will try to coordinate it better with the Pirate Dash next year. By including breakfast as part of the entry fee for the race, we hope to increase revenues. We hope to hold the Breakfast at the School so that it will be much closer to the end of the race.

Site Work

Mr. Sorensen reported that Mr. Berry has made arrangements to complete construction of the dugouts. Seating in the existing dugout will also be improved. Marty Boyse is planning on finishing the upper diamond when things dry out. The grade of the upper diamond will be improved to promote drainage. Mr. Sorensen reported on the plans to complete tiling and to take additional steps to improve overall drainage at the site. He will also be meeting with a representative of Midwest Track to ensure that the grading meets their requirements. Mr. Sorensen is also working with Alliant Energy to try to finalize a price for electrical installation. The track has been moved 20 feet to the north to provide a better buffer to the south side of the property. A discussion was held regarding the projected uses for the remainder of the site and Mr. Sorensen will organize a day for measuring and planning the additional projects.

Concession Stand

Mr. Smith led a discussion regarding ideas for the concession stand. He and the rest of the committee (Patty Shaffer, Dawnell Pauly, and Jeff Christopherson) will continue to work on the plans.

Playground

Ms. Eschen reported on the plans for a playground at the site. She is exploring the possibility of a CAT Grant. She stated that the total cost is currently estimated at \$150,000 and that the goal is to have the playground built by the 2011 Benefit Days. A breakfast fundraiser will be held at Westdale Mall, but will not include pancakes.

Eagle Scouts

The Scouts presented their ideas for projects at the Site for their Eagle Scout projects. The possible projects include a sand volleyball pit, horseshoe pits, fitness stations, landscaping, batting cages, painting and other assistance.

Homecoming

Ms. Shaffer discussed the plans for the Homecoming Tailgate. The menu was discussed. Ms. Shaffer will be circulating a sign-up sheet to staff the event.

Soup and Shopping

Ms. Callahan discussed plans for the Soup and Shopping which is scheduled for November 15.

Football Camp

Mr. Olinger reported that 46 participants attended the football camp. The camp was conducted on 5 nights with 2 hour sessions.

Fundraising

Ms. Slife and Ms. Pauly discussed several fundraising ideas. They will follow-up on planning the programs to put the ideas into effect.

Next Meeting

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for September 17 at 6:00 p.m. at the ICN Room at the High School.

Kelly R. Baier, Secretary