

## PTHS Diamond Backers Booster Meeting – October 3, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7pm by President, Beth Thompson.

September booster meeting minutes were reviewed and approved by Carrie Miller; second by Kathy Lawlor.

New Board Members: Margaret Riotto, Treasurer and Shannon Edeburn, Secretary

**Communication** – primary communication from organization is thru email blasts and the website. Please reach out to Freshman players/parents that may not be on the list if they are interested in the PTHS baseball program.

### **COACH'S REPORT: Coach Maize was in attendance to discuss the following:**

- FALL DROP INS – remaining dates are 10/5 (4-6pm) and 10/11 (5:30-7:30pm); participation is not mandatory but is a great opportunity for the boys to play ball.
- PLAYER MEETING – Coach Maize will hold a meeting for all players in late October/early November. Date TBD and will be announced in school announcements and via email blast from boosters. Winter training will be discussed. Including weight training and winter workouts at Bianco's.
- Winter workouts at Bianco's. Pitchers and catchers scheduled to begin on January 18 & 20, 2017. All others begin on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Sessions will be M-W-F from 3-5pm. There will be a total of 20 sessions for training and an additional 3 sessions the week of tryouts. These sessions are a valuable part of the program.
- SPRING TRIP – the JV and Varsity teams will be returning to Myrtle Beach Ripken for 2017 Spring Training. March 28 (travel day); March 29 (2 practices); March 30 & 31 (each team will play 3 games in 2 days); April 1 (1 game – will request early game and the boys will travel home on April 1<sup>st</sup>).
- TRAVEL RELEASE FORM – If there are circumstances that require your players to not travel by bus – there is a waiver that needs to be completed prior to the game. Verbal requests are no longer permitted per the district. The form is available at [www.ptsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.ptsd.k12.pa.us) – athletics tab – forms. Coach Maize is encouraging all players to go to and from all games as a team.
- PNC PARK – day at the ballfield – tentative game dates are 4/30, 4/23 or 5/7. Coach Maize to confirm dates.
- SALLY SCRAMBLE – 1<sup>st</sup> annual golf outing – raised approximately \$58,000. The DeAngelo Family has expressed their gratitude with the assistance with the event. The exact amount of money to be donated to the scholarship fund is TBD. Coach Maize will revise the application form and ask for the family's input in the selection process. There are plans for a percentage of the money to be used towards restoring the "History of PTHS Baseball". Ideas including, but not limited to – updating banners at PWP (i.e. section achievements, including previous scholarship recipients). Banners to be displayed during the season but then stored inside over the winter. Karen Allison suggested to also include previous scholarship recipients to the media guide. Coach Maize will be meeting with the DeAngelo family to discuss. He would like to invite them to the next boosters meeting and suggested a small reception after the meeting.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA – date TBD. Reagan Lawlor and Tor Sehnert to coordinate and present at a future meeting.

BOOSTER DUES are due on November 1, 2016. \$100 check payable to PT Diamond Backers or \$104 if paid via paypal via website.

WINTER TRAINING FEE – \$50 due on January 1, 2017 (fee is reduced to \$20 if can only attend a few session i.e. play a winter sport). Checks to PT Diamond Backers or pay via paypal.

### FUNDRAISING

- Fall Car Wash – raised \$550; thanks to parent volunteers Dan Thompson, Scott Colcombe, and Marty Comini. About 25 players helped. Special thanks to the Sophomore and Junior classes for good attendance. A chair is needed for this event.
- Pirate Ticket Sales – Briefly discussed. Beth Mary and Andrea Young to chair; would like volunteers from each class to learn the process.
- Media Guide – Greg Mottola has done last 2 years. Many volunteers are needed. Particularly underclassman parents to help and learn the process. This was our most profitable fundraiser last year.
- Spring Youth Clinic – date TBD. Rich Riotto is chair for this event. Looking for additional volunteers.
- Spring Car Wash – date TBD. Carrie Miller and Kim Dailey will chair event
- Alumni Game/Picnic – need chair/volunteers.
- Senior Rec Night – date TBD; Michelle Vulcano and Beth Mary to chair. Will need more volunteers.
- Year-End Celebration – date TBD; need chair/volunteers.
- Organizational fundraiser discussed (ie cash bash) to help offset the cost of spring trip. Not much interest. Alternative ideas of selling items like golf umbrellas or folding chairs was discussed. Carrie Miller volunteered to look into these ideas. Additional ideas were Super Bowl Squares or March Madness (Dave Hoffman volunteered). Fundraisers at Chipotle, Swirlie Whirlie, Max & erma's, Dairy Queen, Anthony's Coal Fire Pizza. Dunkin Donuts coffee mugs.

CLASS REPS: Parent volunteers to assist with email communications during the season.

- Seniors – Kathy Lawlor
- Juniors – NEED A VOLUNTEER
- Sophomores – Beth Quinn
- Freshman – Dave Hoffman

NEXT MEETING – Monday, November 7, 2016 at 7pm in LGI1.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.