

DIAMOND BOOSTER CLUB

Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2007

Kirk Havens started the meeting by introducing the Board Members.

Kirk Havens – President

Dan Wuest – VP and Photographer

Tonja Miller – Treasurer

Andene Sailors – Secretary and Webmaster

Tonja Miller announced the starting balance of \$600.00. To date, there has been \$7700 collected from banner sales. Coach Carpenter stated that \$15,000.00 is a good number for operating expenses. Tonja also mentioned the different levels of membership and Kirk reminded everyone that memberships were a form of fund raising. Tonja stated that volunteers were needed for concessions, banquet, and picture taking.

Coach Carpenter was introduced and he in turn introduced the coaching staff.

Coach Maple

Coach Bowen

Coach Peacock

Coach Carpenter said he was excited to be in Prosper and ready for baseball season. He mentions a few reasons why he moved here, and plans to stay here until his retirement.

Coach Carpenter states that you need great helpers (coaches and Booster Club) in order to run a quality program.

He does not want to put pressure on parents to give money. He will play the top players with no exceptions, including parent's involvement in the program.

We need extra money to replace some items and to add new items. He will talk to us later about what he expects throughout the year.

Kirk announced the Concessions Managers: Chuck and Sandy Marshall

Again, he mentioned that the biggest fund raiser was the selling of banners which raise somewhere between \$12,000.00 and \$15,000.00 per year. He would like to get other fund raisers going and asked for volunteers to run that project. He said that the Booster Club's responsibility is to raise funds for the program.

Kirk read off a list of sponsors so far for this year:

Chandler Signs

Alford Homes

John Baker - State Farm

Employee Solutions

Reece Supply

Prosper Family Dentistry

Pogue Construction

Mona Simons - Farmers Ins.

Flow Rite Plumbing

Superscapes

American Bank of Texas

Merrill Lynch

Prosper Cleaners

David Toney, DD

Seabiotics

Collin County Land & Realty

Prosper Bank

Rhea's Mill Baptist Church

FBC Prosper

Encore Wire

Cotton Gin

Prosper Dentistry & Orthodontics

Projects completed last year include installing a new net and turf for the batting cages, lean bars for each dugout, new sod for the bullpen, and a new bullpen on the visitor side. Projects that he would like to address for this year are remodeling the press box and possibly putting reserved seating in front of press box. He does not want to put too much money in it because of the new high school opening in 2 years.

Mentioned James Park and his dedication to the program and would like everyone to thank him. James is currently working on cutting and straightening the sod.

There will be work days coming up soon and dads will be needed to help out. We have the nets to go on the lean bars, but need to figure out how to attach them.

Mr. Williams mentioned the problem hitters have seeing the ball as it comes across Multipurpose Facility's wall, and would like to see something done about the centerfield fence to cut down on this problem.

Coach Carpenter mentioned that the Frisco Roughriders contacted him about letting the team play on the field. We would purchase 250 tickets for \$10.00 each and in turn resell them for the same price. Doing so would allow the varsity team to play on the field against Sanger Feb. 25, 2008. Coach Carpenter plans on taking the varsity and the JV.

Coach Carpenter has not decided if there will be 'Green and White' teams or freshman and JV. Will look at the players and discuss with his coaching staff at a later date.

Coach Carpenter stated that if any parent had questions or concerns to talk to him, not any staff above him. This will save a lot of time and confusion.

Coach Carpenter believes in the saying "Look good...play good". It gives the players a greater sense of pride and willingness to perform. Because so, this season's uniforms will be first class, and the colors will be gray, black, and green.

Mr. Hicks mentioned a fund raiser he was a part of in Kansas. Selling water bottles with school name and logo on the labels by the case. Coach Carpenter said it was a good idea. However, because of UIL regulations, the boys are not allowed sell them, but the parents are able to and we can also sell them at the concession stand.

Next meeting to discuss items that need to be addressed for this season.

Meeting adjourned.