

## **Ossining Athletic Booster Club**

**Tuesday, September 14, 2010**

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm.

After the Board introductions the meeting started off with the Coaches and Captains for some of the Fall Sports.

**Coach Hill** representing the **Cross Country** team spoke first. They recently competed in a 4 team meet and won 2<sup>nd</sup> place. He has great expectations for the season with the returning Varsity runners as well as the number of freshman. This season's roster is about 32 and 10 of them are girls.

**Kelly Murray** (Captain), **Natalie Belvedere** (Captain) and **Grace Lombardi** (Goal Keeper) of the **Varsity Field Hockey** team spoke next. They won their first game. Even though they lost 10 players they are aspiring to make it to states. Grace personally thanked the Booster Club for supplying the much needed Goal Keeper equipment for the team.

**Coach Frank** spoke about the **Volleyball team**. He is thrilled to have the opportunity to coach such a beautiful and smart team. They are currently up 2-0. Lots of the team players are also involved in Club volleyball. The up and coming younger set look very promising.

**Chrissy Betancourt** and **Nicole Fortunato** the **Varsity Cheerleading Captains** spoke next. They lost 12 seniors to graduation so a large number of the current cheerleaders are new. They are investigating fundraising opportunities and just had a car wash. They are aware of the new Pride slogan for the school and are working to incorporate that into the cheers.

**Cathy Alvarez a Captain** for **Girls Varsity Soccer** says her team is looking forward to winning more games and getting to sectionals. They recently lost a nerve wracking first game, but what is past is past.

**Coach Scamarone** represented the **Boys Varsity Soccer**. Captains **Nick Tajera** and **Alaine Lopez** joined him. Tough loss was had against Byram Hills. They reported that approximately 89 kids tried out for the Varsity and JV teams. Each team took on 25 kids.

**Lauren Bailey** and **Hannah Kamen** represented the **Girls Varsity Swim team**. This year they have a large and enthusiastic team. In its first year the squad was only 8 girls. This year there are 32. The Coaches touted the sport as being not only fun, but a great experience as well. They are still seeking more fan participation and support at meets.

**Dan Ricci** spoke about the **Varsity Football** program. They are off to a rough start, but they were moved to Class AA. They are a great group of kids who are really working hard. He mentioned Homecoming weekend and how all the teams are playing home this weekend. He ended by thanking the Booster Club for their support and all that they do.

### **Committee Reports.**

**Membership & Merchandise** – Jackie Kopera and Luanne Riley

Currently there are 36 members with 24 of them being MVP. The coaches have been signing up with the \$5 Coaches Special. They showed the new Gym Bag with optional personalization that is being given out with the purchase of an MVP membership.

They spoke of and showed some of the new merchandise. Some of this merchandise was available during the 9/2/10 Football Scrimmage and they sold \$600 worth. Some of the new items available are:

Pullover Fleece	2 new styles of hats	Scarves
New Sweatshirt	New Flannel Pants	New Sweatpants
Throw	T-Shirts	

Merchandise is available on the website. Jackie is thinking about fashioning a small catalog-type brochure to hand out. They plan on having the merchandise at all back to school nights except Park School.

## **Concession** – Lucy Dubray

20 Cases of water have been donated from an employee of Nestle Waters.

220 Athletes were fed the night of the football scrimmage. The club made \$834 that night. Upcoming dates to be aware of:

- 9/16 – Football Game vs. Scarsdale. Shelley and her fellow Elks are hosting some Vets from the VA hospital.
- 9/24 – Homecoming weekend. Fall athletes will be fed from 5:30 to 6:30.
- 9/25 – The day will start about 9:30 am with a Football game. There are games on both fields for most of the day. The Fall athletes will be fed starting at 11:30.

Lucy advised everyone that the Concession Vouchers may start to surface. They are a 1x use only.

Shelley made a suggestion of having a concession stand at more games. Lucy brought up the need for more volunteers. Jackie mentioned that we cannot conflict with team fundraising. The group talked about the possibility of team parents and their involvement and the fact that not all coaches are interested in that idea.

AMD and OHS “Back to School Nights” are in the same week. There is a need for volunteers as these are two very popular nights.

## **Treasurer Report** – Carole Simonetti

Carole went over the proposed budget and the monies available to start the year. Copies of the budget are available on request. No questions or issues were raised so the budget was voted on and passed.

## **General Business**

**O Nation Sports Show** Premiere was on Tuesday, 9/7. More students needed to help. Those interested should contact Kay. The program is orchestrated by Kay but run by the students.

Boot Camp was very successful. We are looking ahead to next year. When available, info will be posted on the website.

Next 2-3 weeks are jam packed so again the pitch was made for additional volunteers. All monies raised through our efforts goes back to the kids!

## **New Business** – Lucy Dubray

Lucy brought the thank you note from scholarship winner Deanna Frugis. She also presented a check for \$1,000 from the Federico Family.

## **New Business** – Brian Rink

Brian is trying to start up the Girls Recreational Youth Lacrosse again. The program will be for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls. He is hoping to use the gym over the winter to get the girls ready for spring. To keep costs down he made a public plea for any donations of equipment.

Motion to adjourn was at 8:30 pm. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 12.