# Avon Grove Sports Boosters Meeting Meeting Minutes March 13, 2024 7:00 PM- High School Cafeteria

#### Meeting called to order by Christina O'Connor President at 7:05pm

## I. General Sports Booster Information

The purpose of the AG Sports Boosters is to engender, foster and promote the athletic program and school spirit at AGHS. We are to assist and support the coaches and faculty members involved in the administration and conduct of the interscholastic athletic program. We are to raise funds for special equipment and programs deemed necessary or desirable by the coaches or Club not specifically provided by the District School Board. We also provide an umbrella organization for team booster organizations by:

- Supplying Operator's License and Food Handler's License for concession stand operations
- Supplying PA State Tax Exemption as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, we are exempt from sales tax, which covers team booster clubs
- Supplying a PA State Gaming License which covers booster clubs for 50/50 type fundraising
- Paying for the preparation and filing of all government documents for booster clubs/teams
- Maintenance of Concession stands and equipment

# II. Sports Boosters Updates- Christina O'Connor President

- A. Make sure you sign in and note the sport you represent, this helps us with tracking for the wish list at the end of the season.
- B. The Booster Board is asking for everyone to support the upcoming Booster Bingo Event on April 5th. We are asking for members to not only volunteer and support but to help us spread the word to others for their support. Our basketball event was a success and we are hoping for the same success for Bingo.
- C. The board will be losing members next year. We are looking for interested people now so we can possibly have some time to properly pass on the positions. Please reach out to someone on the board if you are interested. It is very important for anyone interested to be an impartial person that will advocate for ALL sports.

# III. Treasurer Report- Payments- Stephanie Norton

A. Stephanie is working on reconciling the profits from our Basketball event.

B. Your individual sports account will get charged with any fees that accumulate after bounced checks.

## IV. Treasurer Reports- Deposits - Nicole O' Rourke

A. Nicole reported no new items. She continues to highlight that the amount of money available for fulfilling wishes will be directly affected by how successful our Bingo 4/5/24 fundraiser is, please support this event.

#### V. Concessions-Millie Lee

- A. Millie was not in attendance.
- B. If anyone needs training for the outdoor concession stand square reach out to Millie.
- C. Reminders- Don't change prices of items and don't bring in your own stuff to sell unless it is a fundraiser. If it is a fundraiser please go through proper channels to get it approved.
- D. Millie continues to work hard to fill the concession stands for events including the Booster fundraisers.

## VI. Social Media/Website- Lisa Strobel

- A. Lisa's email is <a href="mailto:agsportsboosterswebsite@gmail.com">agsportsboosterswebsite@gmail.com</a> Please continue to send her things that you would like to be posted on the Avon Grove Sports Boosters social media accounts.
- B. Lisa mentioned that she is just getting to know Instagram and if anyone has any helpful hints or comments she would welcome them.
- C. When you are posting on your own social media pages please mention or tag Sports Boosters so we can share it, if we are not mentioned, we cannot share.
- D. Please send flyers with interactive links or provide links to Lisa. QR codes work the best.
- E. Lisa loves to post records, the athletes love to see their names and team info posted, students are starting to pay more attention to our great sites. If you send records and updates of your teams, freshman, JV and Varsity, Lisa will post and recognize their accomplishments.
- F. Lisa will post live updates for events that she attends but obviously she cannot be everywhere. If you send updates during events, she will do her best to post live.

# **VII.** Signage- Cristen Lauzon

A. Looking for local businesses to advertise in the stadium and at the sports fields.

#### VIII. Fundraisers

- A. The **Staff vs. Student Basketball Tournament** occurred on Friday, March 1st. The event was well attended and tons of fun to watch. We had an awesome team of teachers and 5 student teams. The Students came away with the win this year. Again it came down to the last shots. The teachers went home with goodie bags full of icy hot and advil and the students went home with bragging rights until next year.
  - 1. Thank you to all of the teachers and students who participated.

- 2. Thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers who helped make this event a success.
- 3. Also included in the event was 50/50, half court shot contest (3 students made shots and won Dunkin gift cards). Spirit wear was also sold.
- B. Dine and Donate fundraisers TBD- if anyone has restaurant ideas, please reach out.
- **C. Bingo** is scheduled for Friday April 5th.
  - 1. Sign up genius was sent out for this event. If you did not receive it please email <a href="mailto:agsportsboosterssecretary@gmail.com">agsportsboosterssecretary@gmail.com</a>
  - 2. Each sports team is required to sell 5 tickets in advance or the teams account will be charged.
  - 3. Each team is responsible for assembling a prize basket worth \$100 or donating \$100 out of their account so prizes can be purchased.
  - 4. We have hired a DJ that will be playing music and calling the games for this event.
  - 5. Some of the team baskets will include Family Game Night, Summer Fun and Local gift cards wallet.
  - 6. We will be looking for silent auction items and raffles to be donated. The booster board will also be putting together baskets. The parking spot and graduation tickets will again be silent auction items.
- D. Online Spirit wear store is always open and ships directly to your house.

## IX. Team Highlights

- A. Baseball- The field looks good and already is being maintained by the team. Had 2 scrimmages 1 win, 1 tie. First game next Tuesday.
- B. Boys Lax- also 1 win 1 tie and they had a really successful playday.
- C. Girls Lax- Play day was cold and rainy. 1st game Friday. Looking for people to advertise in the Senior Program.
- D. Softball- Lots of rain disrupted their preseason. 1 win, 1 loss, 1st game Friday.
- E. Track and Field no meets yet. Continue to train.
- F. Boys Tennis- Have 20 guys. Lost last contest, 4-3 but were still successful.
- G. Boys Volleyball- Lots of boys came out. They will have enough for a varsity and Jv team this year. 1st scrimmage this week.
- H. Kyle Christy- Athletic director mentioned some exciting new events
  - 1. The school will be adding a Spring Pep Rally to celebrate the spring athletes.
  - 2. Girls Flag Football will be coming to Avon Grove. This is a grant funded program. 25 athletes will play 8 games
  - 3. Unified Track and Field is also coming to Avon Grove. This is a program where special Olympic athletes and non special Olympic athletes at the same level will compete side by side.
  - 4. Spring Sports Media day pictures have been scheduled ask your coach for days and times. 3/18 and 4/1. Will take place in front of the learning stairs inside the high school.

The next sports booster meeting will be on April 10th 2024 at 7:00pm in the AGHS cafeteria.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28pm.