

**Avon Grove Sports Boosters**  
**Meeting Meeting Minutes**  
**February 14, 2024**  
**7:00 PM- High School Cafeteria**

**Meeting called to order by Christina O'Connor President at 7:03pm**

**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 upcoming Booster events. We are asking for members to not only volunteer and support but to help us spread the word to others for their support.
- C. Nicole O'Rourke has worked extremely hard to make sure we are working under a legal license. This came with some extra legal expenses. We are now working to make money to be able to make some wishes come true at the end of the year. We need support and attendance at events. Two years in a row the board has granted every team a wish, that continues to be our goal this year.
- D. The board will be losing members next year. We are looking 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 was not in attendance
- 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 also highlighted some of the board's efforts on raising the money for our operating budget. We are now close to being able to save money for the wish list items. The amount of money will be directly affected by how successful our Basketball 3/1/24 and Bingo 4/5/24 fundraisers are.

### **V. Concessions- Millie Lee**

- A. Millie was not in attendance but inside stands are doing well.
- B. If anyone needs training for indoor 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.

### **VI. Social Media/Website- Lisa Strobel**

- A. Lisa was not in attendance but as usual please send Lisa any news about your teams, your fundraisers, your athletes so she can highlight them on the Booster's social media.
- B. More info about wish list granting will be highlighted on social media so all members are aware of what the event money goes towards.

### **VII. Signage- Cristen Lauzon**

- A. Looking for local businesses to advertise in the stadium

### **VIII. Fundraisers**

- A. The **Staff vs. Student Basketball Tournament** is scheduled for Friday, March 1st.
  - 1. We have 4 student teams plus individuals and 13 teachers so far.
  - 2. We will have concessions, spirit wear and 50/50.
  - 3. Tickets are \$5 each. We will be making staff goodie bags with advil and biofreeze because we appreciate their awesome efforts and know it's going to hurt the next day.
  - 4. Staff won last year so students have extra incentive to get their name on the trophy.
  - 5. **We are looking for an Announcer for this event.**
- B. Dine and Donate fundraisers TBD
- C. **Bingo** is scheduled for Friday April 5th. We only have one more meeting before Bingo.
  - 1. Look for sign up genius in early March.
  - 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 are also looking for an announcer for this event.**
  5. We are looking for people who have experience running Bingo events.
  6. As suggested by a booster member we will be looking into adding more student focused prizes without adding bingo games. To encourage student turnout.
  7. We will be looking for silent auction items and raffles. The parking spot and graduation tickets are always popular.
- D. We are looking into other fundraising events. Stay tuned for Clothing Drive possibly being scheduled for the end of April. Drop off bags of clothing. We will have a competition for cash prizes between the teams who bring the most bags.
- E. Online Spirit wear store is always open and ships directly to your house.

## **IX. Team Highlights**

- A. Boys Basketball- held some great fundraisers this year with lots of involvement. Going to district playoffs 2/16. Looking to have a fan bus \$15
- B. Girls Basketball- Good season, looking forward to their banquet. Losing 7 seniors this year. Will host the famous Egg Hunt this year.
- C. Cheerleading- Going through a rebuilding year.
- D. Boys Ice Hockey- 4-9-1 One more varsity game. Losing 8 seniors
- E. Girls Hockey - last game and then on to playoffs
- F. Track- lots of personal records this year. Great year.
- G. Swimming and Diving- last week. 6 girls and 1 boy going to states. Boys beat Coatsville in a very emotional meet. Girls 6-2 for the year.
- H. Wrestling- District 1 playoffs but lost to Council Rock, Individuals up next
- I. 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.

The next sports booster meeting will be on **March 13, 2023 at 7:00pm** in the AGHS cafeteria.

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.**