CONANT HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTERS 2018-2019

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 9, 2018

Welcome from President – Elizabeth Paveza opened the meeting at 7:01pm and welcomed all in attendance.

Sixteen (16) Board members were in attendance: Elizabeth Paveza, Debbie Anestopoulos, Sky Capriolo, Katie Palomo, Melanie Tomaso, Carol Hominac, Paula Waterman, Jenn Reiger, Molly Bryant, Dan Sarich, Traci Garcia, Julie Henry, Jen Schols, John Williams Adrienne Bolbot, RoseAnne Cabor

Two (2) General members were in attendance: Amanda Piecuch, Angie Catania

Recording Secretary – Liz Paveza asked for a Board member motion and a second to approve the March 12 meeting minutes. Carol Hominak made the motion and Sky Capriolo seconded it.

Principal Report - Julie Nowak was not present

Activities Director Report – Mark Langer was present and reported it's been a busy couple of weeks since Spring Break. Senior ditch day was yesterday, FCLA had the state competition, Prom fair was last weekend and it went smooth. Conant is hiring a new librarian. Sophomores and juniors did SAT testing today and freshmen will be testing tomorrow. The fields are coming along and the fencing will be coming. We are getting on track due to the good weather. The Science Olympiad team is going to state this weekend. There will be a helicopter egg drop and hunt on Saturday. It will be over the field at 9:30 dropping 2000 eggs filled with candy and toys and will be our first time doing this. This will flow into Cupcakes for a Cause, which raises money for Special Olympics, Autism, and Cougars in Need. The spring play, Romeo and Juliet, is this weekend. May 2nd is the Honors Convocation. May 6th starts AP testing. According to John Kane, athletics is going well and he appreciates our patience on the fields. Practice at the Boomers stadium is working well. There is talk about fixing soccer fields, redoing the turf next summer, outdoor locker rooms and bathrooms, mounting speakers on light poles so they are clearer, sod part of baseball fields. The parking lot potholes will be filled this summer

Athletic Director Report - John Kane was not present

President – Elizabeth Paveza was present and reported the committee end of year reports are due by the next meeting and will be sent out in the next few days and on the website. We need a new chair for Scholarships. We need co-chairs for Hospitality, Website, Post Prom, and Grill. Email Liz if interested. We are happy with the amount of people coming back.

Vice President Report – Debbie Anestopoulos was present and reported we need to get started with mini grants for next year. She sent the form to Julie and Mark to check dates for teachers. Angie Catania reported the nominating committee met for next years officers. This year's officers were nominated to stay for next year. This will be posted for 30 days and we will vote next meeting. We should start getting interest early next year so people can shadow/ask questions if necessary. Ideas were bounced around for how to recruit new parents. We want to try to get junior high parents involved. We want to put an information paper in with membership forms that shows what we do during the year. Freshmen families sign up for memberships more than other classes. Another suggestion was wearing buttons at Booster events. We also discussed sending direct questions to parents who attended the first meeting but stopped coming after that. Email any ideas to Liz.

Treasurer Report – Melanie Tomaso was present and reported March had a lot of activity, especially from the Social. We paid out 9 mini grants and have 4 left. We are changing our bank to Fifth Third. Sky was surprised and shocked.

Corresponding Secretary Report – Sky was present and reported sending a congratulations card to Tim Koll for a baby boy. Sky thanks us for the 2 cards she received from Boosters. Guitar club sent us a thank you. Sky asked who we do end of year gifts for.

Committee Reports

Communications - Sky Capriolo was present and reported we have about a 30% reader rate. That is a basic goal for marketing campaigns. We can do separate emails for members and non members. Let her know if you have any suggestions for next year's blasts. Keep letting her know about things to add and send more pictures.

Conant Social Fundraiser - Sam Armando and Priti Patel and Traci Garcia and Dynette Lucas were not present. Liz reported they set the date for next year's Social. It will be February 29, 2020 at Chandlers. It will likely be another casino night. Repeating themes might get more people to come. This year's social was a great event and had a profit of \$5488.

Concessions - Dan Sarich was present and reported the are halfway through the season. They are doing well but could use more volunteers. They will send another email.

Craft Fair - Tracy Gebhardt was not present and Liz reported 158 booths are already prepaid for next year for \$13252. It will be Saturday, September 28.

Craft Fair Concessions - Elizabeth Demaret was not present

Dances - RoseAnne Caboor was present and reported Homecoming will be Saturday, October 19.

Fundraisers - Carol Hominac and Jenn Reiger were present and reported they had a meeting about how fundraisers were bumping into each other. The will spread them out next year. Fundraising is currently closed for this year after raising over \$4700. They will do Cougar

Crazies again and will send more communication out since a lot of people don't know what it is. We will try to have a flyer and information at Incoming Freshman Night. We also need to communicate to faculty about ordering. Savers was a big hit and will return next year. We will probably do September 13 at the home football game. The fundraising schedule might be in the final email blast of the year. We might advertise at the library. We received \$240 from Amazon Smiles. We sold 24 mattresses and made \$2300. We will do it again next spring.

Grill - John Williams was present and reported he will get the financials. Fresh condiments were a big hit and they might redo one menu item.

Hospitality - Katie Palomo and Molly Bryant were present and reported Molly had a meeting about the honors convocation. The theme is graduation/red, white, and blue and all awards will be given. Volunteers are needed.

Membership - Paula Waterman and Jen Schols were present and reported we have 454 members. We have 15% total increase, including 20% more staff, from last year. We have \$19220 this year from memberships which is a 16.8% increase. A lot more freshman families signed up. Staff memberships will be lowered next year and be on a separate form in the fall.

Volunteers – Jenn Reiger was present and reported Prom ticket sales will be on Thursday. We also need volunteers for Spirit Store and Post Prom. Email her if you need volunteers.

Post Prom - Adrienne Bolbot was present and reported we are a little slow filling spots. Thursday will probably be busy. We need about 30 post prom volunteers. They ride on the busses, take tickets from the kids, do a head check, and wander the boat keeping eyes open.

Scholarships - Mucia Burke was not present

Cougar Corner Spirit Store - Julie Henry and Paula Waterman were present and reported Senior signs are in.

Website – Paula Waterman was present and reported she is looking for someone to learn everything. Send her anything you need uploaded.

Liz reported there will be a staff breakfast for the beginning of next year hosted by Boosters and ran by Hospitality. She also suggested a Booster end of year party. She brought up fixing the Marquee again. We have a lot of money and want to use more of it for the school. The Marquee can be any size according to the Village as long as we are a good neighbor. The district has not committed to any money yet. Mark has reached out for quotes. A 16mm pixel is popular for 10 is sharpest. Ballpark numbers are as followed. \$32000 for a 2x13 10mm. \$36000 for a 4x13 10mm. \$29000 for a 3x13 16mm. \$41000 for a 4x13 10mm. Tear down with a brand new 4x13 10mm is \$93000. 5 year parts and labor is included in the price. We are most interested in the \$41000 option. We are asking the district to help. Fremd's sign cost more and their Boosters payed the majority.

Adjournment – Elizabeth Paveza adjourned the meeting at 8:22 :pm

Next Meeting - Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 pm in the Media Center

Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by Katie Palomo 2018-19 Recording Secretary