**CONANT BOOSTERS 2022-2023**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, March 7, 2023**

**Welcome from President –** Traci Garcia opened the 8th Boosters meeting of the 2022-2023 school year, in person at Conant High School’s Media Center, at 7:06 pm and welcomed all in attendance.

Nineteen (19) members were in attendance;

(5) Executive Board: Traci Garcia, Elizabeth Paveza, Cheryl Jancaric, Heather Sharbaugh, Shawna Lochner

(9) Paula Waterman, Ann Woo, Melanie Thomas, Noreen O, Jeremy Oosthurzem, Enes Yilmaz, Molly Bryant, Stephanie Tamburello, Bridget Minogue

(3) Julie Nowak, Jeanette Ardell and John Kane

Absent:

Traci asked for a motion and a second to approve the February 7, 2023, meeting minutes. Stephanie Tamburello motioned for 1st approval and Molly Bryant 2nd.

**Principal Report -** Julie Nowak was present and thanked everyone for their work with the Casino Night. They are in budget season and in hiring mode. Conant is growing and needs to ensure that there are enough teachers. We are still shy on the 5 Essentials survey. A message went out about some upcoming events and parking lot etiquette.

**Activities Director Report** – Jeannette Ardell was present and reported that for the 5 Essentials survey we are at 18% for completion and really need to be at 20%. The “I Fair”, which is coming up, students put in 3 months of practice to prepare for this week. There are two shows, one designed for students to attend directly after school, and the other for families. Cost is $7 at the door. Working on prom and post prom details. There will be an assembly on March 17th to discuss expectations for prom and post prom.

**Athletic Director Report** – John Kane was present and reported that our spring sports are in full swing. We recently held a winter sports and activities. We have 3 students, one in swimming, one in girls wrestling and one in boys wrestling that have high achievements. There is a meeting for all spring sports this Friday. There were about 860 students that signed up for spring sports, that is a third of the student population. Gymnastics and water polo has already started up. The other sports will be

**President –** Traci Garcia was present and reported that we need to vote on the nominating committee. Elizabeth Paveza motioned for a 1st approval and Cheryl Jancaric 2nd.

**Vice President Report –** Elizabeth Paveza was present and shared a thank you note/picture from the guitar club. We are looking to get something out that shows where the money for the mini-grants goes.

**Treasurer Report –** Cheryl Jancaric was present and had nothing to report.

**Corresponding Secretary Report –** Shawna Lochner was present and had nothing to report.

**Committee Reports**

**Communications -** Bridget was present and mentioned that for March we want to highlight the robotics club, we’ll do a push for 5 essentials. Post prom will be promoted. Dine to donate will be promoted. We will also put information out on winter sports. Will also add a link to sign up for students to get service hours to sign up for volleyball concessions.

**Conant Social Fundraiser -** Traci was present and reported that we brought in $21,000.00. A lot of that had to go out to pay for the event. This year our profit was over $7,000. The school parking pass and prom and post prom tickets were top auction items.

**Volleyball Concessions -** Pam was not present and there was nothing to report. First volleyball game is March 20.

**Craft Fair -** Tracy was not present. Traci provided the report on her behalf. We already have 130 crafters booked (263 is max). Returning vendors have through the end of this week to secure their spot before it opens up to others. Date is Saturday, October 14, 2023.

**Craft Fair Concessions -** Cathy and Amy were not present and had nothing to report.

**Dances -** Julie was not present, Paula provided a report on her behalf. Julie requested that the coat check be set up differently, this year was different and requested the set up to go back to the way it has been in the past years.

**Fundraisers -** Melaine/Noreen were present and reported that we have $250 coming from Jersey Mikes. March 15 - Millers Ale House, March 23 - Portillos, April 14 - Chipotle.

**Social Media:** Stephanie was present and reported that she’ll do some posts for the upcoming dine to donate and also a thank you for the sponsors of Casino Night. Post will be sent about boosters membership for new incoming freshman families.

**Special Events -** Molly Bryant was present and reported that honors night is coming up on Monday, April 24. Julie mentioned to plan for 800 people. Help is needed for some volunteers. Custodian appreciation lunch is also coming up.

**Membership -** Paula was present and reported that we don’t have new memberships. We have new products that we are providing to incoming freshman families - this will end on April 14th. Julie Nowak will also post information regarding boosters membership.

**Sign Ups -** Ann was present and reported that there are sign ups available and in progress.

**Post Prom -** Heather Sharbaugh was present and reported that we are all booked with everything and now trying to work through all the logistics. Will continue to work with Jeannette and junior class sponsors for post prom planning.

**Scholarships -** Yassi was not present. There are 87 applications and the readers will start soon.

**Cougar Corner Spirit Store -**  Paula Waterman was present and reported that the senior sign has been selected and will be on the store soon to purchase. Pick up will be April 14.

**Website –** Paula was present and reported to send her any updates that need to be made to the Boosters website. If anyone took pictures of Casino Night to send them to Paula so that she can add them to the website. Updates have been made

**Adjournment –** Everyone was thanked for attending, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

**Next Meeting -** Tuesday, April 11, 2023, the May meeting will change there is too much going on May 9th. We would like to celebrate John’s retirement.

**Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by**

Heather Sharbaugh

2022-2023 Recording Secretary