

June 12th, 2023

## Armstrong Boys Soccer- Booster / Parent Volunteer Pre-Season Meeting

**Location: Zachary Park- Pavilion 7:00-8:09pm**

### **In Attendance:**

<b>Eric Sundell</b>	<b>Kate Jaeb</b>	<b>Ali London</b>	<b>Jodi Heiden</b>	<b>Ellen Echenique</b>
<b>Katie Higgins</b>	<b>Gretchen Hunt</b>	<b>Erich Weidner</b>	<b>Dawn Giwa</b>	<b>Raphael Echenique</b>

### **Welcome**

#### **o Volunteer Opportunities/ Roles**

##### **▪ Booster Board**

- Incoming Chair
- Incoming Treasurer
- Concessions Coordinator(s)

##### **▪ Fundraising**

- Coupon Book Blitz- **Brenda Goerts can help organize, but unable to attend the Blitz on Aug 19th.**
  - Organizers/ Drivers
  - “Pep Rally” - Date for kick off for early sales (TBD)
- Cub Foods- Do we want to do this again- **Yes! We will look to book again over weekend prior to Thanksgiving**
- Donation letters to Rotary, VFW, etc.- **Eric to finalize in coming weeks- best time is after July 4th**

##### **▪ Events**

##### **● Pre-Season Parent/ Player Meeting**

- Booster Club Donations
- Team Managers/ Photographers
- Pre-Season Parent/ Player Meeting- **Mike Jaeb to Emcee- host**

##### **● Concessions**

- Varsity Only this season
- \$700 in petty cash to start season for supplies/ cashbox
- Lead Vols? (Ensure Stocked/ staffed)- **Dawn Giwa and Brissa Donis to lead concessions this season!! THANK YOU!!**
- SignUpGenius to be updated (Eric)
- **Great idea from Gretchen Hunt to also think about offering these shifts to NHS Students as a way for them to earn volunteer hours for their programming**

- We still want to do Jet's Pizza as well as Chik-Fil-A for possibly homecoming and/or Sr night. Dawn and Brissa to research.
  - We need to ensure prices for Pizza is set appropriately. We undercharged last season- lots of people came from other activities inside the school to buy pizza from us as we were less expensive than other concessions.
- **Sr Night- Kate Jaeb and Ali London to lead/ coordinate! Thank You!**
  - Program (template is set)
  - Banners (Check with Johnell Miller on templates)
  - Flowers
- **End of Season Banquet**
  - Armstrong Cafeteria/ PotLuck? Date? Lead Vols?  
It was decided that we will still like to do event at Armstrong, but were concerned with amount of food that families brought- it felt like not enough food was brought by family members. We will go with something like Davannis- Brenda Goerts to help coordinate!
  - SignUp Genius for Vols
- **Team Dinners- Katie Higgins to help coordinate this as well as Higgins will host end of Summer Training party at their home**
  - Will need to have team managers organize for each team
- Coaching Updates- **Still awaiting word on final decision on new Varsity Asst Coach.**
- Financial Update- **Boosters reviewed proposed budget put together by Leah Hebert, Treasurer. Boosters agreed that this was a greeat starting point for the season, but needed to adjust a couple pieces due to changes being made:**
  - **Boosters agreed to pay for player's practice/ training shirts. All players coming into the program will receive these (one per player) at no additional cost.**
  - **In order to help alleviate this from a budget perspective, we will be looking for donations (like Track and Field) for concessions from our family members and members of the**

soccer community, in addition to requests via letter to our local Target stores, who may be able to provide gift cards to help offset these costs.

- With the addition of catering for the banquet, we will look to use additional funds to pay for this. Like other programs, boosters will cover costs for players, but will ask parent/ family members for fee/ donations to cover their cost of the meals.

o Immediate Needs

▪ Varsity Uniforms

- Nike **(2023 Uniforms paid w/ 2022 Budget)**
- Socks- do we order Nike from BSN and have Varsity/ JV Pay Boosters directly or have each V/ JV Player find on their own? **Boosters agreed that we would place the order for socks with BSN and then have Varsity/ JV players pay the boosters for their own socks. We will also only order White and Blue socks for the Varsity and JV teams, as the red ones were not used last season.- Eric to coordinate this with BSN.**
- Current Varsity to JV, JV to B, Etc.

▪ Other Expenses?

o Apparel Orders

- BSN- new window to open Mid July?- **Eric will reach out to BSN/ Larry Tate for understanding on potential fundraising dollars, as we believe there is supposed to be fees available for Soccer based on BSN orders. We will open final order window in Mid July for the season.**
- Practice Jerseys/ Shirts
  - \$10 last year- boosters covered costs and then collected. Do we want to do this again? Hope was for boosters to cover this cost and each player would receive jersey at no additional cost.- **See above Boosters will cover costs of practice jerseys for each player.**

o Other Issues to discuss/ address

- Announcer for Varsity Games (Richard McCoy Sr?)- **Eric S to reach out to Richard to gauge his interest- Erich Weidner also expressed his love for the game and willingness to potentially help in this role. Thank you Erich!!**
- Transportation/ Bussing- Looks like this has been resolved- bussing went smoothly last season

- Open/ Other

### ***Preseason Meetings and Important Dates***

Friday, August, 18th (AHS Gymnasium) - Equipment handout

Saturday, Aug 19th- Coupon Booklet Fundraiser Blitz- Details to Follow

Monday, August 21st- (AHS Cafeteria) - Pre-Season Parent/Coach/ Player Meeting

### ***Captains' Practices***

**Dates:** July 31st-August 10th (Monday-Thursday)

**Location:** Zachary Play fields

**Time:** 8:30-10:00 am (7:45-8:30 am cardio training with upper classes)

### ***2023 Tryouts***

**Dates:** Monday Aug. 14th-Wednesday Aug. 16th

**Time:** 8:30-10:30 am & 1-2:30 pm (Arrive 15-30 minutes early)

**Location:** Zachary Playfields

### ***-Fundraisers (Dates to be determined)Cub Bagging***

-Scarves- Do we want to order new? **Only have about 10 left.- Boosters declined to move forward with scarves. They didn't sell well and season is done by mid Oct. We will sell remaining scarves and be done.**

### ***-Team Pictures***

Pending- Photographer Ideas? Kemmetmueller used last season - **Boosters wish to utilize Kemmetmueller again. Parents really liked this option, plus we need to get pictures done as early as possible to ensure we have pics for Sr posters/ banners. Need to coordinate date/ time with coaches- likely right after teams are selected, maybe on Aug 19th, when teams are formed and before the Blitz since players will be in uniforms. Location: Armstrong Stadium**