

WHS Hornets Baseball Booster Meeting
September 25, 2023 – 7:00 pm Brookshire

Minutes

1. Call to Order –

Scott Benzler started the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Present: Scott Benzler, Kim Johnson, Marion Palmer, Jason Ide, Ryan Orr, Varsity Baseball Coach

Absent: Andrea Gulick, Fred Elizondo

2. Minutes –

- a. August 21 Meeting Minutes were approved

3. Financial Update –

Balance as of 09/12 is \$8,227.17. Venmo and CashApp presence established. S. Benzler to be added to the bank account by Oct. 6.

Look to submit grant applications to: Dick's, Baseball tomorrow, Cal Ripken Jr, Dicks, Detroit Tigers, DOW enablement.

Completed the annual report for non-profits required by the department of licensing and regulatory affairs, which included a \$20.00 filing fee and is due by Oct 1 each year.

Updated payment information with hosting vendor Wix; this includes a \$360.00 fee which will auto renew for 3-year cycle.

The yearly renewal cost for retaining our Williamston baseball domain name will be paid on 09/30/23 at \$14.95.

Many “widgets” are available from Wix dashboard including many financial management tools like invoicing, handling registration costs, etc.

Consider purchasing a cell phone card scanner. Cost estimated to be \$70 + registration fee.

4. Coach Orr Report-

- a. Fall Clean-up

Fall field clean-up will take place on October 28 at 9 AM. This will include concession stand.

- b. Spring break trip

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Optional trip open to baseball program players and families has been set for Mar 23-28 in St. Petersburg, FL at Lake Vista Park with daily practices planned. Field rental is \$223.66, payment is due mid-November. Coach Orr will send note to all families with details to gauge current interest. \$223.66, which board will take under consideration to cover the cost. A waiver is still under consideration for families to sign if attending the trip.

Amazon wish list has been published under Williamston High School Baseball.

Athletes will be dismissed from school early for home conference games after discussion with the AD.

The first home tournament is planned for Saturday April 13, 2024, which will include PawPaw and Kalkaska. Linden will not return due to conflict.

5. New Business -

a. Committee formation/areas of focus for 2024 and player connections

The board discussed increasing Sponsorships for the 2023-2024 season. The plan is to start reaching out to prospective businesses starting in October.

Scott asked board members to review potential committees and fill in where interested. We will review this at the next meeting and decide how best to proceed.

Scott asked if we could get key to the Press Box.

Scott was presented with a \$550 donation from “Guys Who Give”, a group of men with a desire to inspire and are committed to making a difference in their local communities.

Group discussed creating an agenda for an open meeting to happen soon.

Group discussed having a BSN order placed before the holidays. Need to consider a for profit sale.

b. Website

Update website to include rosters, photos, and records.

6. Close Meeting –

Benzler closed the meeting at 8:26 pm.

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Action Items

What	Who	When
1. Add Scott to bank account	J. Ide	Oct 6
2. Pay coaches for fall ball	J. Ide/S. Benzler	Oct 16
3. Send thank you to “Guys Who Give”	J. Ide	Oct 31
4. Review if existing document storage adequate	ALL	Oct 31
5. Send info and due dates for grants	J. Ide	Oct 16
6. Obtain waiver example	A. Gulick	Oct16
7. Review waiver with AD	R. Orr	Oct 31
8. Check for press box access for Board	R. Orr	Oct 16
9. Send Venmo/CashApp/Paypal info	J. Ide	Oct 16
10. Create alumni list	K. Johnson	Oct 31
11. Send details of cell phone card scanner	J. Ide	Oct 16
12. Look at adding widgets to website	J. Ide/M. Palmer	Nov 25
13. Fill in fundraiser list/committees	ALL	Oct 16
14. Check Gmail account, e.g., choc milk grant	S. Benzler	Oct 16
15. Update website	M. Palmer	Nov 15
16. Send note for fall cleanup	R. Orr	Oct 21