

**NORTH BRANCH ATHLETIC BOOSTERS
MONTHLY MEETING
November 21, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.**

Jason Castle opened the meeting 6:00 p.m. at the North Branch Bar & Grill.

Members present:

Andrea Kropp	Dawn Deshetsky	Angela Solon	Bryan Smith
Jason Castle	Teresa Gormley	Dave Castle	
Jim Fish	Lori Clemons	Linda Berlin	

Coaches Reports:

- Girl's Basketball – Scrimmages tonight so coaches could not be here (also Boy's Basketball, Wrestling and Cheer are practicing).
- Boy's Basketball – have Freshman, JV and Varsity teams this year (Girl's have just JV and Varsity).
- Bowling – 7 boys, 4 girls. Trying to get more girls. New bowlers, so may not have a strong team this year, but good kids.
- Cross Country – Heather Czarnecki and Austin Pung both went to State meet, but they declined our offer of food money.
- Varsity Cheer – has 21 girls (no JV)
- Middle School Cheer – Angela Solon reported they have 7 girls, but recruiting more.
- Hockey – 2-0 start to the season. Half of the Alliance team is from North Branch.
- Baseball – Jeremy Good has sold 9 of the 14 banners for the wind screen already, so that money will be coming back to boosters.

Treasurer's Report:

We currently have a \$7198 balance. And that is after we paid \$3300 for the baseball screen, the Queen of Hearts licensing fees, \$800 for Reverse Raffle prizes, etc. So we are in MUCH better shape that we thought at last month's meeting.

Reverse Raffle:

- Jason Castle said the Sweet Hall is reserved for Feb. 25th.
- Bryan Smith said that license should be coming soon so tickets will be ready by early January.

Queen of Hearts:

- Bryan Smith has to fix some wording for the state to approve the license, but he feels we should still be able to have tickets ready for sale by the beginning of December.
- We need to sell 1000 or more tickets a week at \$1 each to be profitable. Bakery? Bar & Grill? Other local businesses? Factories? Plus coaches should try to sell 10 per week, and get some money back to their program if a ticket they sell is winner.
- Andrea Kropp said she would sell tickets at the December 2nd and 6th basketball games since she will also be selling booster memberships.
- 7:30pm drawing each Monday night Dec. 12th – May 22nd at North Branch Bar & Grill (23 Mondays – No Christmas drawing).
- Angela Solon asked Jim Fish to check with the Business Association to see if we can use their raffle drum.
- It is \$180 if someone wants their business name and/or coupon on the back of the tickets.

Record Boards:

- Sam Heron Insurance is donating \$4500 for the Record Boards. Jim Fish is checking into these funds. Angela Solon reported that we have received \$500 so far. Once these funds are received we can order some of the boards.
- However, at the October 2016 meeting Tim Gormley said the price has gone up to \$9575. According to the Dec. 2015 Booster Meeting Minutes, Jack Miles had originally quoted \$5,485 for SIX 4'x4' record boards (but are we getting more than that)? Or \$5,085 for 1 large board to cover ALL sports (or \$6,045 for metal version.) Price seems high, so need to discuss further.

Concessions:

- Jason Castle was looking at Treasurer's Report and noticed that concessions had \$3500 in expenses in 1 month, and it looked like only \$1800 in revenue. So we need to get a better handle on how much money is coming in and out to ensure we are not losing money on concessions.
- Also, do the Seniors owe us money for purchasing any supplies for their concessions?

Miscellaneous:

Jason Castle said the middle school clock for basketball games keeps going out. Dawn Deshetsky said the High School scoreboard and clock have been acting up as well. Jim Fish is having someone look into this. He thought recent repairs should have fixed the problems.

Meeting was adjourned approximately 6:50pm. Next meeting: December 19, 2016 6pm at North Branch Bar & Grill.