**Athens Athletic Boosters**

**Meeting Minutes**

**February 3, 2014**

President Dave Purvis called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Twenty-four members and guests were present.

After roundtable introductions, Dave Lambert moved and Diane Wines seconded to approve the January 13, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Dave Purvis announced that the Troy Athens Band Boosters sent a thank you card and a framed photo to TAABF for working with their group during the fall band competition. Apparently TAABF has not cashed checks from the Troy Athens Band Boosters in the past and in order to reconcile, their account, a new check was written for the total of the other checks. This check has been cashed. We are, also, given a Thank You note from the girls’ basketball team for providing them with an Athens Basketball sticker and t-shirt for a raffle basked. Photos of the team were given to TAABF in a plastic sleeve. Dave Purvis thanked all those who have helped in the concession stand for basketball games. There are two games on Friday for JV and Varsity Boys basketball. There are also two large cheer events on February 15th and on February 22nd which need volunteers. Please be sure to sign up and earn those points!

Vice President Report

Jeff Norton announced that the restaurant event at El Charro was rescheduled from January 27th to February 3rd from 10 am to 10 pm. Anyone wanting to support the boosters with this event can head over after the meeting. We will be having the Euchre Tournament in late March at Troy Lanes. More details will follow.

Treasurer Report

Sam Maziasz announced that the report has been completed, but could not be duplicated for the meeting. A check has been written for $778.60 for the concession cart and $12,000 has been received from concessions. There is approximately $45,000 in encumbered funds and $20,000 in checking, some of which must be allocated within encumbered funds.

Secretary Report

Annette Berard reported that copies of the 2014 meeting dates were on the front table.

Spirit Wear Report

Dana Cowper, reporting for Michele Linska, said that 12 chairs have been ordered and 6 have already been sold. Anyone who is interested in purchasing a chair is encouraged to buy them before next year’s price increase. T-shirts were available for sale at the basketball game, but none were sold.

Concessions

Scott Aurand reported that $3,000 has been spent in January for concession supplies, none was spent in December. $1,500 was raised during the OAA Cheer Championships on Saturday. Muffins, pretzels, pizzas, nachos, and hotdogs were sold at Friday night and Saturday morning events, and we did very well. Protein shakes were available to the cheerleaders and spectators from an outside vendor and he sold out. TAABF will receive a portion of Saturday’s sales. Adjustments will be made to the time slots and food available for the cheer districts and regionals events. Robotics will be held the last week-end in March.

Melissa Mooney has updated the Concession Sign Up list through the month of February.

Membership Report

Renee Zaits was not in attendance. No report.

Scholarships/Grants

Maggie Stark Norton reported that the deadline for the Scholarship and Grant applications is two months away. March is the last month to earn meeting points for this scholarship/grant cycle. Points can be earned at basketball games and robotics events before the deadline.

There are still 5 underclassman grants that have yet to be reimbursed. Tammy Gilbert reported that her son, Joey Gilbert, will not be using his grant this year. If anyone needs their point counts, please contact Maggie for this information.

Alumni Report

No Report.

Public Relations Report

Dave Lambert reported that Mailchimp has been used successfully to get information out to members. If you have not received an email, please contact Dave for follow-up. Dave Lambert is looking for information to use on the TAABF Facebook page and Twitter account.

Website Report

Dave Purvis has met with Ron Keoleian and Jamie Burns regarding using the Web Design classes to input information onto the TAABF website.

Athletic Director Report

Bob Dowd reported that the wrestling team is going to Districts, the swim team has an upcoming OAA meet, and the Varsity Competitive Cheer will be hosting Districts on February 15th and Regionals on February 22nd. The Girls Varsity Basketball Districts will be held on February 24, 26, and 28th.

Old Business

Dave Purvis reported that the Track/Cross Country Team has yet to claim the approved funds for a new tent. Dave Lambert will speak with one of the coaches regarding this. Christine Stanichuk has been informed of the price match of $600 for volleyball equipment and she is very appreciative. The equipment has not been ordered to date.

Troy Athens Student Council has approached the TAABF requesting a corporate sponsorship of $250 to benefit Charity Week. The sponsorship has been approved and will be a great public relations opportunity for the athletic boosters. Also, the pancake breakfast to be held next Monday is in need of volunteers.

Al Lindsey, Former TAABF Board member 2000 – 2007, has requested $200 for the Special Olympics. Since $250 is already budgeted, Jim Atwell moved and Dana Cowper seconded to raise the request amount to $250. Motion carried.

Mailchimp has been used to send out several emails. If a member has not received a recent email, please contact Dave Lambert to make sure he has the correct email information.

Dave Lambert has been working with Congressman Bentivolio to obtain a reprint of our original 501 3 © application. Another request has been submitted for this information.

New Business

Mike DeVito requested $14,498 for new weight lifting equipment last month and the discussion was tabled until more information could be obtained. The equipment requested includes two new racks, six adjustable benches, cross over equipment, bumper plates, squat racks, etc. Dave Purvis spoke with Jamie Jackson following last month’s meeting in regards to the equipment being appropriate for gym classes and teams other than the football and weightlifting teams. Jamie was in favor of the new equipment and indicated that anyone could use the new equipment without concern.

There is $7,500 budgeted for the new equipment. Mike Jolley would take care of the removal of the existing equipment to be replaced as it is owned by Troy School District. Tammy Gilbert moved and Marti Steiner seconded to increase the budget line item for weight room equipment to $14,500. Monies used to increase the line item would come from the TAABF checking account. Motion carried.

Tammy Gilbert moved and Melissa Mooney seconded to approve donating $14,500 to the Troy Athens weight room for the purchase of new equipment. Motion carried.

Tammy Gilbert moved and Melissa Mooney seconded to purchase an updatable plague for the weight room to indicate the TAABF’s contributions to the weight room. Bob Dowd and Dave Purvis will work together on the purchasing of the plague. Motion carried.

Scott Aurand moved and Michele Watson seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm.