

**Date:** November 30, 2022  
**Home Run Club Minutes**  
**Meeting held at the Black Box**

**Meeting Called to Order By:** John Strange at 6:10 pm

**Approval of the Minutes from October 2022:**

Motion to Accept Minutes: Melissa Swartz  
2nd to Accept Minutes: Cindi Horton  
Motion passes.

**Treasurer Report:**

Our November 1<sup>st</sup> balance is \$45,102 with a balance of \$38,293 as of November 29<sup>th</sup>. The main costs that came out of the account were the painting of the indoor & our order with Midwest (freshman uniforms, pants, & hats). Expected upcoming expenses are the dugout expansion (\$4,500), painting the outfield fence (\$2,300), & repairing the mirror in the indoor (\$500).

The outfield fence is going through the school & the school has already contacted the company to set a start date. The plus to this going through the school that if any problems arise the school will be responsible for working with the business to make it right.

**New Business presented by John Strange:**

There are three new items presented for vote.

**1.) Surveys:**

Our current estimate of money earned is \$12,800 but we won't have a definite number for 3 – 4 weeks.

**2.) Powder Puff:**

The powder puff event was a huge success. Good job by everyone involved. We are hoping each year it continues to grow. The feedback from the kids was really positive. We raised about \$3,300.

**3.) Schedules:**

The full schedules for this year are on the website. Most games will be played on the main field with just a handful of games being played on the hill.

**4.) Parent Store:**

A parent store will be opening in a few weeks, we are just waiting on the art to be finished. Items ordered will not be here in time for Christmas but are expected before the season starts.

**5.) Varsity Uniforms:**

Have been ordered. They aren't sure if they will be in before team pictures but they should be in by the beginning of the season.

**6.) First Pitch Dinner:**

The dinner will be on February 11<sup>th</sup> at the Mustang Town Center. We will need volunteers for different committees. We would like the volunteers not to be senior parents. Volunteers will be in charge of decorating, setting up, cleaning up, setting up catering, etc.

Per Coach Phillips this event will have an emphasis on our seniors & get everyone pumped up for the beginning of the season. We will show the senior video, have the senior displays up, and give the senior gifts. At his old school the junior parents headed up the event. Extended family can attend as well. The committee chairs will co-ordinate the other volunteers in their committee.

**7.) Sponsorships:**

Sponsorships have slowed down. We would like to get them turned in so a final order can be placed at the end of December. The form is available on the website. We need renewals as

well, emails were sent to players in November if you have a sponsorship that needs to be renewed. Renewals count towards player credits. So far we have given \$830 in player credits through sponsorships. We are expecting \$3,000 from Epic in January.

**8.) Raffle:**

Money can be turned in any any time. Venmo is our preferred payment method. When you send your payment via Venmo please note that it is for raffle tickets & your player's name. Tickets can be turned into Coach at practice. Remember if you sell more tickets than required that you get 50% of overage towards player credits.

**9.) Florida:**

Coach Phillips will notify players by Christmas break about who is going to Florida over spring break.

**10.)Field Work:**

The extension of the dugout & painting of the outfield fence should begin in December or January.

**Items to Vote On:**

**1.) Media Day:**

The club would like to hire a photographer to come take pictures of the seniors & their parents. The pictures would be used for the senior banners as well as for promotions. The cost is \$1,100.

Cindi Horton motions to approve \$1,100 for media day photography.

Melissa Swartz seconds the motion.

All are in favor, none are opposed, & the motion carries.

**2.) Game Day Photographer & Senior Night:**

The photographer would come to a series of 5 games to take action photos. The photos would be available to all parents & also used for marketing/promotions. The cost is \$1,500.

Cindi Horton motions to approve \$1,500 for game day photography.

Melissa Swartz seconds the motion.

All are in favor, none are opposed, & the motion carries.

**The floor is opened for questions/discussion:**

The idea is proposed to see if we could get a game day photographer for the other two teams as well with something similar to what they do in football. Each family could split the cost or pay a set fee & then the photographer would receive a list of players that had paid to ensure that pictures are taken of those players. All pictures would be available to the families online. Everyone likes this idea, calls will be made to see if something like this is available & what the cost will be.

Kendra Pace offers to clean the varsity uniforms before Media Day so all the seniors look their best.

She just asks Coach Phillips to send the uniforms home with her son.

Question: Will the old outfield signs need to be removed? Yes, they will hold a volunteer day when the weather is good to remove them.

**Coach Phillips:**

Coach Phillips re-urges the idea of changing the way we run our HRC meetings & the makeup of the board. The board would include its current members as well as a representative from each grade level. The only voting members would be the board. The class representatives would be responsible for disseminating all matters to be voted on to their parents, to initiate discussions, and use that information to vote on behalf of their class.

Question: will the meetings still be open to all parents so they can observe if they would like?

Coach: Yes if we would like, but the point is not to hide anything that is done. Minutes of each meeting would still be taken & available to everyone.

Question: Will this change our bylaws or the way we charge membership fees?

Nic: yes it would change the bylaws slightly. We can always discuss membership fees. A 30 day notice must be given to all members before we can change this & then we must hold a vote.

Question: How would the new board handle conflict or manipulation within the board since the voting members would be so limited?

Answer: swaying of votes is something that is possible but it's like with any other voted position we just must be confident in who we elect to be our class rep & that they will do what the majority of their parents want.

**Floor opened for Questions/Discussion:**

Derek Schmidt: Is there any way to change things in the long run so seniors do not have to fundraise?

Discussion: In any instances in the years passed the upper classman are the biggest fundraisers. So if we didn't have them participating then we would lose a large opportunity the better the program for all of the kids. While this year we have good participation from underclassmen, that isn't what is normal.

Kendra Pace: Does Coach need help with the upcoming camp?

Answer: no, he has it covered.

**The meeting is adjourned at 6:55pm by John Strange.**

Parent Name

Player Name

Katie Hartman

Wyatt Hartman

Derek Schind

Cash Schind

USA Fish

Eddie Fish

Christy Pettigrew

Trevin Pettigrew

Russell Jones

Lucas Wyatt Jones

Justin + Mary Ellis

Drake Ellis

Shannon Ruzicka

Wyatt Ruzicka

Cindi Horton

C Horton

Kendra Pace

Wyatt Pace

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