

**Date:** September 21, 2022  
**Home Run Club Minutes**  
**Meeting held in Black Box of YHS**

**Meeting Called to Order By:** John Strange at 6:07 pm

**Approval of the HRC Minutes from August 2022:**

Motion to Accept Minutes: Kendra Pace

2nd to Accept Minutes: Lindsay Zody

None are opposed & motion carries.

**Treasurer Report presented by Jeff Hoke:**

The current account balance is \$33,064.03. Copy of the treasurer's report was available for everyone to pick up at the meeting. We have about \$12,000 in pending/upcoming purchases so a more accurate balance of funds available is \$21,300. Jeff opened the floor for questions or concerns & none were raised.

**Improvements:**

\* Locker Room is complete – everything looks amazing. If you haven't seen it you can check our social media accounts for pictures. Again, a special thank you to the Horton family for the amazing upgrade.

If anyone has an upholstery connection we would like to get estimates for seat padding for the lockers. Lindsay Zody says she may have a connection & will check.

\* Field leveling was completed – the usual slope of a field is 1-2", our field was off by 9"! The hope is that this will last until we get turf in the next 2-3 years.

\* Dugout Expansion – the costs were approved at the August meeting. This project will take place after we host Fall State.

\* Outfield Fence - Working with school to see if they will participate in costs, AD Hinson is checking into it. While this is a warranty issue the company that painted the fence is no longer in business. It's possible that we may be splitting the cost with the AD's office & maintenance department. This likely won't be done before fall state. We have two bids for \$7500 and \$5500. Thanks to Bryan Weaver for working with contractors to get pricing.

\* Backstop Padding – the backstop padding is falling apart & screws are sticking out. Estimates for complete replacement of the 50 feet of padding is anywhere from \$3,000 - \$5,000. We are working on getting local estimates as well. We are looking at ways to make it safe for Fall State including just replacing parts of it for now with the remaining to be complete at a later date.

\* YM Baseball Survey Campaign – 75 surveys completed per player. We are in the preliminary stages of this fundraiser. A link would be provided by the company to share & for every survey complete the program would receive \$1. The surveys are reported to take 1-2 minutes to complete. As we learn more about the program we will have further discussions & find something else if we think this is not a legitimate opportunity.

\* Paint Indoor – we will paint indoor walls red soon. We will be painting all the way around red about 12 feet up. We will need volunteers to bring their rollers & paint, an email will go out soon. Please be on the lookout. Estimated costs for paint & supplies are \$1,500 - \$2,000.

**Upcoming Events**

**Father/Son Overnight Camp**

Coach Phillips and the coaching staff hosted the 1st Annual Father/Son Overnight Baseball camp on Sept. 9th / 10th at Miller Field. It was a huge success with about 23 families (30 kids) in attendance. There were smiles all around from our coaching staff, the kids, & the dads. Our hope is that it will continue to grow. It was also a great fundraiser, after expenses for food we raised about \$2,300. Notes for next year: have more merchandise on hand in youth sizes.

### **YM Baseball Tailgate**

Sept 23rd before the Mustang game, the HRC will be hosting a tailgate in. All players not playing football & their families are encouraged to attend. The coaching staff will be there to meet parents. We will have a cookout, music, and games. This event is provided by YHRC with the Pace family donating the meat & buns – thank you Pace family! We will be tailgating with the YQBC on the northwest end of the parking lot. An email will be sent out with the exact location. We are setting up around 3:30pm, we will start cooking around 4pm. We want the boys to have plenty of time to eat before the gates open at 5:30pm. Cindi Horton will provide tables for the event & and the Trogdons will provide the cookies – thank you Hortons & Trogdons!

### **Czech Parade**

We will have a float in the Czech Fest parade on Oct 1st. Please save this date so we can have as many players as possible in the parade. A committee has been formed & has planned the float to be beach themed to go along with our first Spring Break trip to Pensacola. We will have a booth at the Czech fest selling raffle tickets, merchandise, and sponsorships.

### **Fall State**

Will take place on October 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>. All concession signups are full – good job everyone! We will be hosting a hospitality room which will be headed up by Mary Ellis. We are looking for restaurant sponsors to provide food & we will likely be asking for families to provide other items for the hospitality room. The hospitality room will feed our coaches & administration, visiting coaches & umpires. We are also looking for an announcer for Fall State. The school does pay a small fee for this service.

### **YM Baseball Survey Campaign**

Will take place around the beginning of November. Each players' family will be asked to complete 75 surveys. A link would be provided by the company to share & for every survey complete the program would receive \$2 with a maximum of \$15,000 possible. The surveys are reported to take 1-2 minutes to complete.

### **First Pitch Dinner**

The banquet will take place on February 11<sup>th</sup> at the Mustang Town Center & food will be catered. Tickets will be sold prior to the event to help cover the cost of the event.

### **TCA Partnership**

The information on this went out via email. Enjoy your 30% discount – this is not a fundraiser for our program.

### **Sponsorships**

Sponsorship information was sent out via email & is available on our website. Please spread the word & make this successful. Last year this was our biggest money maker for the program. Thanks to Melissa Swartz for closing the deal with Peale Eye Vison. Cindi Horton & Shannon Ruzicka say they have been working on a sponsorship with the Lokal as well. All other companies on the spreadsheet are still up for grabs.

### **Gear Orders**

The link will close on October 9<sup>th</sup> – this will be the last order available.

### **Coach's Corner by Coach Phillips:**

- He has been asked about private lessons: He is fine with private lessons, he is even open to talking to whomever you hire so everyone can be on the same page/your player gets the full benefit. He would ask that if your player is taking pitching lessons that you let him know for arm health reasons. He just needs open communication so he can keep your kids arm healthy.

- Enid Scrimmage: The first one is set for October 11<sup>th</sup>. There may be an opportunity for one more scrimmage. It will be a 9 inning exhibition game played in Enid that will be coached by other adults. Coaches will be watching/evaluating from the press box. He will notify the boys who will be going. The school CAN NOT transport the players so players will have to drive or parents will have to transport. He is also asking that each player going brings \$3 in cash to pay the umpire. Parents are welcome to come watch.
- He is still undecided on a new varsity uniform. If he does order one he is leaning towards either all white or all gray.

### **Floor opened for Questions/Discussion:**

Melissa Swartz: Will boys be helping run Fall State?

Coach Phillips: He will ask seniors first & if he doesn't have enough then he will ask juniors. Since the players would be missing school grades will need to be good to participate.

Shawn Rea: Do the red/black long sleeves need to have the school logo?

Coach Phillips: No, they will just be worn under uniforms so they can be plain.

Would something like a Powder Puff game/tournament be possible?

Committee formed: Jill Graham & Brandi Trogden will head the event.

It will be held the evening of October 27<sup>th</sup>. Each grade level will be responsible for recruiting 12 girls in their own grade to form a team. The recruits will play a couple of innings of whiffle ball coached by our players & can come dressed in costume. Each recruit will be charged a small fee (maybe \$15 - \$25) to cover the cost of a t-shirt & prize to be given to the winning team. We will charge admission & open the concession stand. Recruits will have to be signed by with waiver signed by October 15<sup>th</sup> so shirts can be ordered. Make sure we get it out to the school to get kids in the stands. Coaches will umpire games.

John Strange presents the idea of foregoing the current format of HRC meetings to meetings being held with only board members & class representatives being present. The class representatives would then take all information back to their class.

Feedback: those that voiced their concerns were afraid it would stop the open discussion/brain storming that organically happened tonight. There was only the concern raised about who would vote on how money would be spent – the answer was the board members & parent reps. The issue was tabled for now so everyone can think on it.

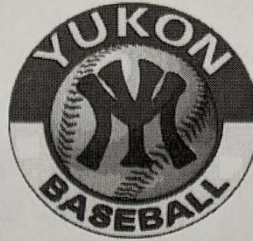
In the future HRC meetings will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month.

No others issues are raised.

**The meeting is adjourned at 7:40pm by John Strange.**

# HRC Sign in Sheet

5/16/2021



Parent	Player
Kendra Pace	Wyatt Pace
Lindsay Zody	Talan Zody
Jill Graham	Luke Graham
Brandi Traddon	Braiden Traddon
Shannon Ruzicka	Wyatt Ruzicka
Cecilia Horton	Ethan Horton
Mariah Smith	AJ Smith
Melissa Schwartz	Cooper Pearson
Kenton Cargel	Connor + Kaleb Cargel
Shawn Rea	Preston + Kaleb Rea