

Sentinel Booster Club
Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2018

Attendees: Julissa Bencia-Hensel, Kim Brown, Kathi Descharme, Deb Glass, Sindie Kennedy, Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson, Liana Messer and Carla Woehler

Guest: Helen Houlihan, Swim Coach

Meeting Minutes - Correction - girls' soccer is done. Carla motioned to approve the minutes with the correction. Julissa seconded. All approved.

Helen Houlihan, Swim Coach - Missoula's high school swim team is made up of students from Big Sky, Hellgate, Sentinel and Loyola to include 120 students; Sentinel has the biggest team with 46 students. Sentinel is made up of 17 boys, 26 girls and three managers (one is an injured athlete who is staying with the team). Sentinel girls took first place at the first meet. They have not placed less than 3rd place since. Two athletes were nominated as prep athletes of the week by the Missoulian. A freshman boy was nominated for the first time in many years. The radio show, 406 Sports also nominates prep athletes. Freshman, Delaney Carlson was nominated. Sentinel has a great freshman class of girls. There are 10 seniors on the Sentinel crew, most of which are new swimmers, so Sentinel will not be graduating many with experience. The boys are great. They are fired up and very supportive of each other. We have great captains who have stepped up and taken leadership roles. We have three assistants this year. We also have some volunteers who have helped. Every practice includes 40 to 75 swimmers. They practice in the morning and at night at the UM Grizzly pool. Local meets are held at the Grizzly Pool. The next meet is January 20. Missoula hosts one of the largest invitational meets in the state. There are three more meets in January: Whitefish, Missoula and Butte. Two weeks later they go to the state swim meet in Great Falls. The season starts the weekend before Thanksgiving and finishes the second week of February. The program has grown over the past 10 years. Jennifer Carlson and Wendy Deaton might be good liaisons for the swim trophy case and the closet. Carla will talk with Jennifer.

Treasurer's Report:

We have no closet help right now. The sells at the previous basketball game were comparable to last year. Lisa sold \$36 worth of 50/50 tickets during the girls' basketball game; the closet sales amounted to \$67 at the boys' game. She sold six t-shirts, a hat and three pom poms. We have not gained any financial ground.

Booster Closet:

We need help. Carla suggested contacting people who have not yet worked a shift. FIT staff offered to work a shift. Student Government could help. Deb suggested telling people that there are limited opportunities remaining. The shifts are on signup.com. If volleyball has not met their obligation,

Julissa offered to work a closet shift. Carla, Liana and Marria will get together and figure out who needs to fulfill their obligation. The sign-up site is almost filled - all slots but one is filled.

List of Activity Fulfillments:

Activity	Coach/Instructor Presented at SBC	Closet Shifts Fulfilled
Band	Yes	Yes
Basketball-boys	No	No
Basketball-girls	No	No
Cheerleading	No	No
Choir	No	No
Cross Country	Yes	Yes
Dance Team	No	Yes
Drama	No	No
Families in Transition	Yes	No
Football	Yes	Yes
Golf	Yes	No
HOSA	No	No
Orchestra	Yes	No
Robotics	No	No
Scholarship Fund	No	No
Soccer-boys	No	Yes
Soccer-girls	Yes	Yes
Softball	No	No
Speech & Debate	No	No
Students Government	No	No
Swimming	Yes	No
Tennis	No	No
Track	No	No
Volleyball	No	Yes
Wrestling	No	No

Kim asked if this is a Title IX issue if we don't open the closet for every sport. Dane indicated no. We do not open for all outdoor sports. We open for football because it attracts a big audience.

We want to open the closet for the middle school Showcase on Wednesday, January 24. Kim reached out to all of the principals of all of the feeder schools. In the past, the closet was opened for a couple of days around 8th-grade promotion. Kim is wondering how we did on those sales - if we want to do it again. Instead of visiting the schools, we can push out a flyer. We gave spirit gear to Meadow Hill last year; we did not get paid but should have. The question was asked if Meadow Hill was invoiced. Carla will ask Marria and will follow-up with Meadow Hill.

We need to make sure the schedule on sign-up.com is accurate.

Winter Activities Report:

Boys' Basketball - they are doing very well. Saturday's game was a bit of a nail biter. Hellgate will be a big challenge. Sentinel is seated #1.

Girls' basketball - they did well against Big Sky. We have three division 1 basketball players who have signed with the Lady Griz.

Wrestling - it was a tough tournament (Marria was not at the meeting to report more).

Swimming - see Coach Houlihan's report above.

Year-Round Activities:

Band - Liana had some good spirit gear sales during the holiday concert. She had nothing else to report.

Cheerleading - no report

Dance - the dance team performed very well.

Speech and Debate - they need a lot of judges. They need kitchen help too. Wednesday night, the Speech tournament will be at Big Sky; Debate will be at Sentinel.

Drama - no report

Closed/Ongoing Business:

Trophy case decoration contest - Kim thanked Lisa for picking up the ball and rolling with it. We did not get a lot of votes for the decorating contest. Lisa figured out how to put a QR code on each decorated case. Students could vote with their smart phones by scanning the QR code. The codes were on the cases for a week after break. The office made announcements every day to remind the students to vote. We ended up with 39 votes. Softball won (there are six cases that are decorated). Dane emailed and reminded the coaches about the voting. He heard the announcements. Carla thinks once the team seasons are finished, they will get their cases done. Kim feels everyone had the opportunity to get involved in the decorating contest. Dane can keep reminding coaches of those teams still needing to decorate their cases. Kathi has the pictures for the girls' and boys' basketball - they are meeting on Wednesday at 5. Dane will have the front office staff vote on their choices.

Sentinel Design Studio - we did order items. We ordered a dozen coffee cups: six plain with Spartan head; three with Spartan Mom; and three with Spartan Dad. These would make great Mother's Day and Father's Day gifts. We ordered a dozen bracelets. We ordered necklaces too. We did get an invoice. The total cost is \$200. The invoice includes a breakdown of the price per piece. It takes about two to three weeks for the products to arrive after an order is placed. Lisa indicated there is a

demand for girls' sweatpants. Carla explained we stopped offering sweatpants because they do not sell, and we do not make any money.

February 1 Fundraiser - Five Guys Burgers (5 - 7 PM) - 15% of proceeds go to SBC. Andrea makes announcements on the school PA system. We advertise on the Booster Club FB page and the Sentinel FB page.

Mr. Oliver's Report:

Dane goes to Bozeman this weekend for meetings. The cancellation of the first football game set us back. Next year, we will have the Homecoming game at the Griz Stadium. We will hopefully make-up for this year.

Deb asked if we open the closet during the choir dessert show on February 24. There is a basketball game that evening, so the closet will be open. Choir does not contribute to the booster club.