

**Sentinel Booster Club**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**February 12, 2018**

**Attendees:** Rachel Danielson, Kathi Descharme, Deb Gass, Marria Hegel, Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson, Sindie Kennedy, Liana Messer and Carla Woehler

**Guest:** Craig Mettler, Track and Field

**Meeting Minutes:** Carla moved to pass the minutes. Liana seconded. All approved

Craig Mettler, Track and Field Coach

Craig provided an update on how the team did. He has one student signed up so far for the new season. He wondered if the Booster Club wants to sell swag at meets. If they make division, the Booster Club could offer division t-shirts as a fundraiser. Divisionals are May 17 and 18 (Fri and Sat). The state tournament is in Great Falls this year. Missoula hosts divisionals. Craig can communicate with students and parents to work a closet shift.

**Treasurer Report:**

Five Guys was a good fundraiser (\$394). We had some good sales this last month with basketball.

**Booster Closet:**

Carla reported we did good on Showcase night. We did not get any sales last time. Carla received \$400 from Meadow Hill for last year's 8th-grade promotion swag. She now knows how to invoice them this year.

We have two closet shifts this week. Basketball State is an opportunity to sell more spirit gear. Carla will ask some track and field parents to work a shift.

**50/50 Ticket Sales:**

We have had some parents sell 50/50 tickets. If they get credit for 50/50 sales as fulfilling their closet shift, we can check those teams off. We sold about \$80 for 50/50 on Saturday.

**Winter Activities:**

Boys Basketball (Kathi) - they are doing well. They travel to Helena tomorrow. They are seated #1. Saturday night was amazing, intense and physical. They played Hellgate. Scott (Kathi's son) was the MVP (he was on the news but they called him Scott Sway). The seniors have been amazing with Scott. Divisions will be in Helena. State is in Billings. We only have two more home games.

Dane thinks the State Basketball Tournament will be in Missoula in a couple of years.

Girls Basketball (Dane) - They are having a good season, with one loss. He is trying to get students there to watch by incentivizing attendance. He bought pizza. The band will be there tomorrow.

Wrestling (Marria) - Sentinel brought home Garden City Trophy this year. The state happened this past weekend. The team did not do as well. Twenty students qualified. They came in 5th place. Two wrestlers made it to the finals. They are done for the year. Marria has been in the program for nine years. This is her last year.

Swimming (Carla) - Girls took 3rd. Girls should be very good next year. Carla did not know how the boys placed. The team does have some club swimmers. They will have club swimmers next year. Hellgate's girls and boys won. Helen Houihhan is a finalist for the national coach of the year. Missoula has two swim clubs (MYST and MAC).

### **Year-round Activities:**

Band (Carla and Sindie) - Double AA Wind Ensemble is at Hellgate March 5 and 6. Missoula high school jazz bands performed at Hellgate, to include the All-City Jazz group. Sindie indicated this is a great event that is not well-attended. Band will not be going to the state basketball tournament in Billings [correction: The Sentinel Pep Band did travel to and perform at the state basketball tournament in Billings after all]. There are a variety of events coming up for concert, wind and jazz bands to include the Buddy DeFranco Jazz Festival at the University of Montana March 15 and 16. The spring band concert is March 20.

Speech and Debate (Liana) - The Sentinel team did well. Dane listed off students that performed well. They work on their own fundraising for Nationals, which is in Orlando.

Dance (Rachel) - The dancers have morning practices. The year started with 17 girls; the team is now comprised of 15 dancers. One was injured. They have been performing at basketball games. They did great on Saturday. There were a lot of girls with the dance and cheer. Rachel is working with the UM to get a dance competition started through a variety of dance teams. They cannot conduct a competition through MCPS. She is trying to offer it through the Griz dance team. They did not get enough interest this year but will try again for next year. She would like the booster club to be involved. The dance team is going to the state basketball tournament. There is interest in doing a dance competition - perhaps at the state tournament. The program is growing. Rachel had 50 girls sign up at the Showcase. This is the most ever. Morning practices are a deterrent so that many will not likely participate.

Drama - no report. Deb thinks there is a festival. Marria was contacted for the class of 1978 - they are looking for students to help them set-up for the class reunion. They want to get a club, like Drama. They will donate some money. Carla will tell Diego, Cross Country Coach.

### **Ongoing Business:**

Five Guys Fundraiser - see Treasurer Report above.

Coffee cups are ready to be picked up from Sentinel Design Studio (six were backordered). We have not sold any; we need to set prices. The following prices were determined, based on costs:

Bracelets - \$4 (sell for \$6)

Necklaces - \$6 (sell for \$8)

Coffee Mugs - \$10 (sell for \$15)

Sindie offered to help with necklaces. If the Design Studio can make pendants, she can provide chains and clasps at cost.

**Mr. Oliver's Report:**

Dane received an award. MIAA AD of the Year. Wrestling is done. March 5 is the spring sports parent meeting. Sentinel wrestling came in 6th; Bozeman was 2nd. Boys and Girls basketball will do well at the state tournament. Belgrade will join AA in 2019. In 2020, the tournament will be in Bozeman (?). This will mean less travel. Swimming is the only trophy case that is not done. Carla talked to Jennifer Carlson. They have a trophy now. This might be the first trophy ever.

Tennis will be a varsity sport again this year. The facility limitations and the insufficient stipends for coaches dictates the size of the program.

Trophy Case: Girls softball was chosen by students for the best trophy case; girls soccer was chosen by staff as the best trophy case. Each program will receive \$50.

**Next meeting: March 12 at 6:30.**