

## **Cougar Club Meeting Minutes January 9, 2008**

Meeting was called to order by Cougar Club President Larry Szabo at 7:05 pm. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, February 4 at 7:00 pm.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the December 2007 meeting were reviewed. A revision to last month's minutes was needed in the last sentence of the first paragraph. Mr. Burtch's name was misspelled. The error was noted. A motion was then made approve the minutes as noted by Mr. Burtch. The motion was seconded by B. Gibson. The motion was passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The report from the December 2007 meeting was reviewed. A motion to approve the report as cited was made by J. Johnson. Motion was seconded by L. Bader. Motion was passed.

S. Whalen stated that there was \$58,865.00 available at the end of December.

S. Whalen also reported that income from the sale of 50/50 drawings during the month of December totaled \$128.00.

S. Whalen stated that Cougar Club incurred expenses of \$417.75 for the fall sports awards and \$103.28 for Reverse Raffle expenses.

S. Whalen stated that there was no change in prior commitments in December.

**Cougar Clothing:** No report this meeting.

**Concessions:** No report this meeting.

**School Board:** Mr. McMurray stated that exams were starting next week. Southview was chosen as an OGT test site. Southview was also chosen as a school to do a tobacco study in the month of February.

Mr. McMurray also reported that Joe Bisbee is still in the ICU. His muscles have atrophied from non-use. The doctor's think they have ridded Joe of the infection. The Band Boosters held a 50/50 raffle at the Perrysburg game and were able to donate \$1,000.00 to assist the family with medical costs.

**Web Site:** L. Litalien reported to continue sending information to her that you want posted on the website. Pictures should be in soon, so those will be posted when they are available. L. Kluczynski asked about having an "orange out" for the next Perrysburg basketball game and if we could post this on the website.

**Athletic Director's Report:** G. Gillespie reported that the Athletic Foundation is still waiting for that "big donor". There are people interested in donating and that there is money in the Foundation account. There was a delay in getting the Tax exempt number, but that should be straightened out soon if it is not already done do.

G. Gillespie stated that Southview will be hosting some DIV girl's basketball games on February 12 and 16. We will also be hosting DIII boy's basketball games on February 19, 20 and 22. We will need people to man concession stands.

G. Gillespie stated he has not received the ½ payment for the video system that was previously approved.

The hockey jerseys are in and they look really nice and professional. The cost was \$3,440.00.

There was an announcement that a winter girl's golf league is starting up at Tamaron GC with the simulators. Southview will field one (1) or two (2) teams if we can get enough girls to sign up. This is good off-season practice.

G. Gillespie attended a convention and reported back that many neat things on display there. One of the items was a portable sound system. He passed around information to all in attendance. There was also data passed around on a Speed Station Pro system that is used by all athletes across the country to improve speed, quickness, agility and strength. A lot of "big schools" are purchasing or already have these. Price tag is approximately \$80,000.00.

T. Gillespie passed around catalogs from "Game Day Colors" and a traveling kiosk for the storage and display of Cougar Club clothing, etc. She also had information on inflatable mascots.

L. Kluczynski asked G. Gillespie "...how do we get the speakers in the gym changed"? Northview has a good sound system. G. Gillespie responded that he is looking into replacing our current sound system with a new and improved "Cube" sound system. Preliminary cost is approximately \$3,000.00 which includes installation.

G. Gillespie reported to the Cougar Club the Lucas County Health Department will be paying a visit to Southview on Friday, January 11, because of a complaint that the CO levels in the gym were too high and the amount of heat in the gym.

L. Bader asked G. Gillespie if we were still doing the tutoring program? G. Gillespie responded no and Mr. McMurray added that Southview has so many tutoring programs available to students that it wasn't needed at this time. A question was then asked about the \$1,000.00 left in the tutoring fund and what was the disposition of the monies. It was decided that we would leave the \$1,000.00 in the fund for now and decide at a later date if we should reappropriate the funds elsewhere.

**Old Business:** S. Whalen proposed an amendment to the Cougar Club by-laws pertaining to the discussion we previously had on the purchase of big ticket items. S. Whalen passed around the proposed amendment for review and comments. G. Gillespie asked questions to clarify a portion of the amendment that contains "...which exceed \$2,500.00, the Executive Board may request additional price comparisons...", the point of clarification needed was on the word "...may...". A motion was made by L. Szabo to table the discussion until next meeting. The motion was seconded by C. Rothschild. The motion was passed.

It was brought up that we need to address the program sales. It was determined that this will be discussed at the May meeting.

**Reverse Raffle:** B. Gibson had tickets for the Reverse Raffle available for team reps to pick up. He said that had already handed out about ½ of the tickets. Each team is to sell at least one (1) pack of ten (10) tickets. He also said to go "outside of the Southview family" to offer tickets to others.

L. Kluczynski asked if anyone had placed any information at the VFW post about the Reverse Raffle. B. Gibson will take care of this on Friday, January 11.

A question was asked whether volunteers had to buy a ticket? B. Gibson stated yes.

Catering – A proposal of \$26.00 per plate has been submitted to L. Szabo. L. Szabo spoke with Scott Park Catering and they proposed (3 meats, 1 vegetable, potato, salad) for \$11.50 per plate. Last year we paid approximately \$16.00 per plate. L. Szabo will try to get a hold of Event Professionals for a proposal.

L. Szabo announced there will be a Reverse Raffle Committee breakfast meeting on Sunday, January 13 at 10:30 am at the Roadhouse on Central Avenue and said anyone is welcome to attend.

S. Whalen asked if the teams had been informed of the Reverse Raffle commitments. G. Gillespie responded that he will tell all coaches at the next coach's meeting.

L. Bader asked about determining the number of volunteers and their training. L. Szabo responded that he will get a list together of the approximate numbers needed and the training required.

**New Business:** Cougar Club is now the recipient of a Val-Pak.

**Other:** The Cougarettes are selling t-shirts through this weekend. The cost is \$8.00 and it is pre-order and pre-pay.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Tim Isley