

## **Cougar Club Meeting Minutes November 10, 2008**

Meeting was called to order by Cougar Club President Joy Siefer at 7:02 pm. The next scheduled meeting is Monday December 1 at 7:00 pm.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the October 2008 meeting were reviewed. A couple of misspelled names were brought to the attention of the Secretary. A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented by Mrs. Finch. The motion was seconded by J. Rupe. The motion was passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The report from the October 2008 meeting was reviewed. B. Hickman reported that not much activity occurred during the month. Golf monies came in. Deposits for clothing received. Concessions were in the black.

B. Hickman reported that the checking account had approximately \$38,170.00 available at the end of October.

B. Hickman reported that our CD is due for renewal in January. It will see an increase in value from \$29,500.00 to \$29,700.00. There is to be discussion about portioning it in half and placing some of the monies into the constitution amended "Capital Improvement Fund" and to continue to put monies in it from now on. She did not know the history of the CD. We will be looking at interest, terms, etc. for the future. More information to come as she gathers it.

A motion to approve the report as presented was made by L. Bader. Motion was seconded by J. Fontana. The motion was passed.

**Cougar Clothing:** C. Stansley reported that clothing had a couple of new things. "SVHS" going down the leg of sweat pants or "Basketball" down the leg. She also has more paw gloves. She reminded people to call her for Christmas orders. She also ordered 50 more long-sleeved football shirts.

**Concessions:** W. Brown reported that concessions are on a semi break. She reported that the soccer tournament made \$875.00. New coolers are to be delivered on Tuesday, 11-11-2008 (tomorrow). Pepsi will be donating a rolling cooler. A suggestion was made to move the cooler in the outside concession stand to the opposite wall so as to have access to the drain.

**Athletic Programs:** S. Isley reported that winter programs are coming. She also passed around "digest" samples that we did for the playoff game and discussed various options for using those instead of or traditional programs for next year. The 8-page digest cost \$0.89 each. There is a short time turn around for these. This is not offset printing, so quality is not quite as good. We need to discuss this for next year.

S. Isley reported that pre-sales at the winter sports night was not good and we need to make an effort to sell these programs.

**Cougar Golf Outing:** D. Williams and J. Bigler reported for R. Jennings. They asked if there was a master list of students they could get to try and increase participation. L. Kluczynski responded with team rep and Cougar Club info. The date of next year's tournament may change to August (probably the weekend before Labor Day). We should also try to get Timberstone people involved. L. Bader stated the Parent club may have a list. L. Kluczynski said to contact Nancy Crandall and/or the Blade for free advertising. K. DeMarco said that if using e-mail list for mass e-mailing, we should use the BCC (Blind Carbon Copy) function to send to the group as opposed to sending to individuals.

**Reverse Raffle:** No report.

**Sylvania Sports Benefit:** G Gillespie reported that nomination forms are posted on the website for people interested in making a nomination.

**Team Rep Co-ordination:** L. Kluczynski reported that she is using the lists and trying to send out info as soon as possible. She reminded people to help keep the team lists updated.

**School Board:** No report.

**Athletic Foundation Update:** J. Hrovatic reported the Foundation has been working with the Athletic Directors from Sylvania for the first class of Hall of Fame induction. She stated ticket prices for the event would be between \$40.00 and \$50.00 each. Seating will be limited. All of the nominees for the first class have accepted. Two (2) of the nominees are interested in donating to the Foundation. This is going to be a great event that has been two (2) years in the making. If all goes well, next year they will look to move the event to a bigger venue. Next year's event will take place in week 10 of the football season (Northview-Southview game).

**Web Site:** L. Kluczynski reported that Mr. B. has been doing a wonderful job of keeping the website updated. She reminded everyone to send her e-mails of team scores/results, fundraisers, schedules or anything you feel your team would like on the website

**Membership:** T. Gillespie reported that not two (2) new members signed up during the period and that we now have one-hundred ninety (190) family memberships.

**50/50 Raffles:** J. Rupe reported that sales for this year are approximately \$2,500.00 versus \$1,200 last year at the same point in time. We still need more volunteers for basketball games. You may get assigned if we can't get enough volunteers, similar to concessions. They are experiencing problems with "no shows". They are trying to get a better system in place. Tickets need to be sold starting the second half of the JV game through the first half of the Varsity game.

**Athletic Director's Report:** G. Gillespie reported that the new sound system quotes for the gym were in and that he will hang on to them for the time being as he wants to discuss it with the school board about them assisting with this cost (\$16,000.00 - \$24,000.00).

The football game (regional final) is Friday in Huron. Tickets will be sold on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:00 am until 3:00 pm in Glen's office. He also bought small t-shirts to sell. Maps to the game are available.

A question was asked about Cougar Club supplying a "Fan Bus" for this game. Cost would be approximately \$800.00 for 55 seats. G. Gillespie stated he did not think we would get one this week, but probably waiting until we have to travel further away. Cougar club would also have to pay for Sylvania Schools' bus drivers to ride on the players buses.

G. Gillespie submitted an EMS bill for home football game coverage in the amount of \$1,437.00. S. Isley made a motion to approve payment of the bill. C. Toney seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Old Business:** J. Siefer stated information pertaining to the CD and that more information would be coming when we get it and can make a more informed decision as to what to do with it.

J. Siefer also stated that we are going to stop taking credit cards as of December 2008 because of the costs to us and effecting our profits.

**New Business:** J. Siefer and B. Hickman met with the district Treasurer. The Treasurer said we (Cougar Club) could not raise funds for sports teams and then turn around and make donations to charities. J. Siefer suggested instead of giving them money, having these groups earn the monies by doing a 50/50 at one of the sporting contests we designate. They groups would supply the workers for the event(s). Membership present thought this was a good idea. A motion was made by T. Gillespie that Cougar Club do a 50/50 at the Northview-Southview game on 12-6-2008 and donate the money to the BKO Foundation. K. DeMarco seconded the motion. The motion was passed. G. Gillespie will get a list of games that other organizations (i.e. SCAT) can use as fundraisers.

**Other:** The meal chain for the O'Reilly family will continue indefinitely. Contact Susan Moyer if you would like to help.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm by motion from A. Wolens. K. DeMarco seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted by Tim Isley