

## **Cougar Club Meeting Minutes September 8, 2008**

Meeting was called to order by Cougar Club President Joy Siefer at 7:05 pm. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, October 6 at 7:00 pm.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the August 2008 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes by J. Hrovatich. The motion was seconded by T. Gillespie. The motion was passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The report from the August 2008 meeting was reviewed. S. Whalen stated that this was an "incomplete report" in as much as it was missing available funds for the period and should not be accepted.

A motion to approve the report as it will be amended to include the above missing data was made by L. Bader. Motion was seconded by S. Jackson. S. Whalen opposed the motion. Motion was passed.

**Cougar Clothing:** C. Stansley reported that clothing sales was going good. She added that she could use some helpers. She stated that no special orders after open house.

**Concessions:** J. Siefer reported for W. Brown in her absence (illness). J. Siefer reported that W. Brown has signed a contract with Pepsi to supply beverages. W. Brown also has deposits.

**Athletic Programs:** S. Isley reported the Freshman cheerleaders are doing a great job of selling the programs. She reported there has been some balking at the price of \$5.00, but added it hasn't seemed to affect the sales. She estimates that we will probably make a profit of between \$500.00 and \$600.00 dollars this year. She also announced that John Guiteau volunteered to head the committee for next years program sales.

**Cougar Golf Outing:** D. Jennings stated the date for the golf outing is September 20, 2008. She stated hole sponsors are in good shape, but they still need more golfers. She reiterated that you can sign up at open house and you do not have to have a foursome to play.

**Reverse Raffle:** No report.

**Sylvania Sports Benefit:** No report. It was mentioned that they expect, after all expenses have been paid, to make a profit of over \$4,000.00.

**Team Rep Co-ordination:** L. Kluczynski reported that the team folders are ready and here for pickup. She then explained the contents of the folders and how they might be used.

**School Board:** P. Haynam reported that the bond issue to replace Hillview, Maplewood, etc. made it onto the ballot. She made a request to the Cougar Club for a donation to support the PAC-"Committee for Sylvania's Future". Discussion was held as to the amount of the donation. A motion was made to donate \$1,000.00 by S. Jackson. L. Bader seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

**Athletic Foundation Update:** J. Hrovatich 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 or anything you feel your team would like on the website.

**Membership:** T. Gillespie gave a breakout of the membership for the current year for people to review. So far we have collected in memberships and prepaid admissions \$32,810.00. We will also review an intermediate price range for next year.

**50/50 Raffles:** J. Swidorski reported that sales are going good, but they could use some more help. So far this year, they have raised in excess of \$1,000.00.. A question was asked as to if no one claims the prize by the end of the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) quarter, what happens to the money? Do we draw another name? It was decided that if that situation occurs, the money would go back to the Cougar Club.

**Athletic Director's Report:** G. Gillespie reported that he is in the process of negotiating retribution for poor cheer uniforms. He will not be paying the remainder of the invoice until the Cougar heads are fixed.

G. Gillespie submitted preliminary quotes for a new sound system for the soccer field. He received quotes from Torrence Sound and TranStar. TranStar's quote was \$4,780.00. S. Jackson made a motion to allocate \$4,780.00 for a new sound system for the soccer field. L. Szabo seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

G. Gillespie received a quote from Torrence Sound for \$18,560.00 to replace the sound system in the gym. He is still waiting on other quotes and ideas for replacement. We may try to see if we can get some assistance for this cost as a facilities improvement.

G. Gillespie requested that \$300.00 be made available for athletic trainer supplies (TheraBands) for Scott Carver. A motion was made by K. DeMarco to approve the allocation of no more than \$300.00 for TheraBands. J. Korsnack seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

G. Gillespie reported that Carley Conover has started the tutoring program and that she would be paid through the school. She is tutoring approximately two (2) hours per week for one person so far. A question was asked if we could transfer the monies we had set aside for this (approximately \$1,000.00) – the answer was "Yes".

G. Gillespie reported that our girl's volleyball team was currently ranked tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) in the state. Congratulations to the girls! The freshman girl's volleyball team's tops were donated by parents.

**Old Business:** G. Gillespie reported that the scanners and cards were working out very well. J. Siefer also reminded the membership present that at next month's meeting, we would be voting on the proposed constitutional amendments and to please review the information on the Cougar Club website for a list of changes.

**New Business:** Discussion started on possible fund raisers for Cougar Club. One idea that was presented was the Maui Sands Resort in Sandusky (a family water park) was offering fundraising activities Sundays-Thursdays. There did not appear to be any interest from the group. It was brought to the attention of the membership present that we could advertise for the Reverse Raffle on the placemats used at the Classic Café. The cost would be around \$400.00 for them to run for three (3) months. No decision was rendered.

The membership present was informed of a charity golf outing fundraiser for Baseball coach O'Reily's wife, Barb. The fundraiser is to gain awareness of the disease Barb is suffering from. The membership was asked to please support the cause.

**Other:** Upcoming dates to remember – Open House is Thursday, September 11, 2008 at 7:00 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 6, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Tim Isley