



RAIDER DIAMOND CLUB

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 13, 2024 / 7PM

LOCATION: Hillsborough High School, Room 115

- Welcome: Brian Cooper, President, Called to order 7:06pm
 - Approval of October Minutes, Motion to approve Jim Mistretta, Second Bill Bender, All Approved.
- Finances: Mike Kandell, Treasurer, (shared via email, unable to attend)
 - 2024/2025 budget assumes more expenses than inflows as we look to reinvest the "profit" we recognized over the last 3 years.
 - The three main areas we are looking to invest are:
 - Field maintenance - there are various projects that need addressing including but not limited to: a dugout cover for the JV field, a new windscreen, improving the bullpens and batting cages and improving the area behind the backstop
 - Equipment - the coaches would like to invest in new training gear including bands, weights, slant boards and screens for the bullpen and batting cages
 - Our "big 3" fundraising events are the 1. Pancake breakfast, 2. Rent a Raider program and 3. Snap fundraiser (we will ask for donations this year instead of selling snacks). We've decided against doing the pie fundraiser this year due to a low profit margin.
 - Budget question - Scholarship question 4, \$500 scholarship. Possibly increase the scholarship budget since the \$500 doesn't cover much anymore. Possibly use to reallocate funds. (bender)
 - Vote to approve budget, westlake, Jay glazewski, all approved.
- Committee Updates: Jay Glazewski, VP
 - Rent A Raider, Susan Herndon
 - Getting towards the end of the RAR season
 - Next week PDA will be sent out for the next few weeks
 - Boys will get a tip, they'll get afterwards
 - In reality we really need players to work 12-14 hours to cover
 - Will have the gift card raffle for players that exceed hours, drawn at the pancake breakfast
 - Sponsorship, Brian Borer, Larry Gerard
 - Secured 4 sponsors to date
 - RWJ Physical Therapy, Grand Slam
 - Just Subs, Home Run

- Belle Mead co-op, Home Run
 - SneakersPlus, Home Run
 - Collected \$2100 in sponsorships so far
 - Waiting to hear back from 7-8 Sponsors
 - Scholarship, Lauren Albee
 - No update
 - Away Game Subs Coordinator, Josh Barrett
 - No update
 - Field Maintenance, Joe Williams
 - Once items get ordered there will be an update
 - End of Season Banquet, TBD
 - Senior Day, TBD
- Pancake Breakfast & Basket Auction, Feb. 9, 2025, Stephanie Barrett (unable to attend, update via text)
 - Need a Freshman and Senior Class parents
 - Winter Training, Jay Glazewski
 - Reiterated what's offered from Zoned
 - 8 signed up for both
 - 1 signed for hitting
 - need 20 to players to participate to keep our spot
 - November 30th is the deadline
 - Speed and conditioning at the HS will begin the first week of January
 - Coach's Corner: Matt Mosko, Varsity Head Coach
 - Congratulations our 2 college commits
 - Alex Reiling (TCNJ)
 - Krish Patel (Scranton)
 - Email sent today about a small school showcase.
 - These events are a lot more beneficial than the expensive company ones
 - Coaching
 - Coach Perrone resigned from teaching and coaching
 - Has feelers out for individuals that may be interested but need to go through the Athletic Department procedure.
 - Right now 2 paid assistant coaches positions available
 - Player Meeting scheduled Thursday, 11/14/24
 - Expectations for the winter season
 - Another meeting after the new year
 - Motion to Adjourn at 7:28pm. Motion by Tim Westlake, Second by Bill Bender, All in favor.

*** Next Meeting – Wednesday, December 11, 2024; HHS, room 115; 7 pm ***

Classification: Public