

MIDDLETOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Athletics/Activities Committee Meeting
June 9, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.
MINUTES

Members in attendance: Mike Corradi, Melvin Fager Jr, Michael Richards, and Jennifer Scott

Members not in attendance: None

Non-Voting Members in attendance: Newton Davis, Terry Gilman, and Linda Mehaffie

Staff/Public in attendance: David Franklin, Jeremy King, and Lori Suski, District Administrators

Opportunity for
Public Comment

No one addressed the committee at this time.

Communications

Information Item – Brick Wall Legend: Mr. King said that the Key Club is willing to compile a legend of where each brick is located at War Memorial Field and that they hope to get the legend printed in the football program. Mr. King said that there will be a contingency plan with other options if it would not be possible to get the task accomplished in time for the printing deadline for the football program. Mr. King noted that this will help address the concerns that have been raised about people not knowing where bricks are located.

Information Item – Field Usage for Soccer: Mr. King recommended that Saturday soccer games be played at the Reid field instead of War Memorial Field if there was a home football game the prior night. Mr. King said that this will give additional time for War Memorial Field to recover and give the maintenance crew time to set up and clean up after games. The committee supported Mr. King's proposal.

Discussion Item – Advertisements at War Memorial Field: Mr. Fager proposed placing removable sideline advertising displays at War Memorial Field as a potential fundraising item. Mr. Fager said that if there is interest in this fundraising vehicle, Fager Finkenbinder Funeral Home would purchase the boards and Mr. Fager could assist with the banners that would be placed for the different advertisers. Mr. Fager noted that there are some other schools that are using this form of advertising. Mr. Fager said each sport may be able to fundraise through this method. Mrs. Mehaffie asked how the division of fundraising would work at War Memorial Field with football, band, and cheerleaders at the field at the same time. Mr. Fager said that some division would need to be determined up front. Mr. Richards asked if there is something comparable that could be placed at inside venues so that those sports would also have access to this type of fundraising. Mr. Fager said that the only comparable item would be banners. Dr. Suski noted that the District's Board policy should be reviewed in light of this proposal to make sure that there is no conflict. The committee discussed the type of accounting that might be required for the funds to know who should receive the benefit when the funds are used. The committee discussed various ways to manage the fundraising – through booster clubs, through the Foundation, through the Blue & Gold Club, or just through the District with a separate accounting within the General Fund or the Student Activity Fund. Dr. Suski said that the Administration will review the policy

and discuss the various options and make some recommendations back to the committee.

Employment

Possible Action Item – Post Season Pay: Mr. King reviewed the post season pay for the track and field program for Nickolas Macri, Benjamin Koch, Amanda Jones and John Selcher. The committee recommended that the post season pay be moved to the Board agenda for approval.

Discussion Item – Additional Game Workers: Mr. King said that he believes two additional game workers will be needed for the home football games in order to monitor foot traffic based upon the decision to keep the wall accessible during the football games. The committee supported the idea of adding the necessary game workers.

Possible Action Item – Employment: Dr. Suski reviewed the individuals to employ in paid or volunteer performing arts and athletic positions for the 2016-2017 school year. The committee recommended that the extra-curricular positions be moved to the Board agenda for approval.

Equipment Purchases

Discussion Item – Basketball Rims: Mr. King reviewed a request from Coach Sattelle to utilize the old basketball rims on the main court in the new High School gymnasium for the first two years of play in order to “break in” those rims on the side baskets. Mr. King said that after the break-in period the new rims would be moved to the main court. Dr. Suski informed the committee that the new rims are already hung. The committee did not think that it would be a problem to remove the new rims and put up the old rims to accommodate the coach’s request.

Executive Session

The committee recessed into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter regarding a coach at 7:04 p.m. The committee returned from Executive Session at 7:13 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.