

**Amesbury High School All Sports Boosters
Minutes of Meeting
Oct 3, 2011**

Minutes Taken By: Greg Schultz

Attendance: Leo Norton, Greg Schultz, Sue Griffith, Sam Wilmot, Lucas Townsend

Secretary's Report (Greg Schultz):

- The August meeting notes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report (Leo for Dayle):

- The financials will be sent out shortly.
- The majority of the funds in our account are owned by the various teams. We will prepare a list of what money each team has in their account and provide to the coaches.
- Need to file our annual report to the State by November 1st.

Updates:

- Athletic Director- Glen Gearin is our new Athletic director. He may be contacted at gearing@amesburyma.gov
- Sponsorships/Fundraising
 - We are looking into a joint fundraiser with AHS Grad Night Committee- One of the candidates is doing a Lena's night/mini-golf tournament in the May'12 timeframe.
 - The Landry Committee is looking to put together a "Battle of the Bands" concert at the stadium and has approached the boosters to offer the concessions at this event. There is some concern about the financial benefit for the boosters to do so (would have to stock up items for a one-time event) and the previous event (Car show) turned out to be a money losing proposition for the boosters. Also, concern around recent gang activity in Amesbury/Salisbury/Newburyport area- booster folks nervous about a multi-community event given circumstances.
- Team Sponsorship
 - With the corporate sponsorship signs at the high school, individual donations, and generous contributions from Amesbury Youth Funding and Anna Jacques Hospital, there are enough funds to sponsor the Tennis teams as well as the freshman baseball/softball teams that were cut from the Athletic Budget last spring. There is an open question regarding whether the school will charge user fees for these sports. If so, the Boosters would like some assurance that funds are put aside to help keep these sports teams afloat in coming years.
- 8th Grade Waivers
 - Athletic department approved 8th grade waivers for Ice hockey. Several years ago, the AHS Boosters had been against 8th grade waivers for sports and the existing charter says the boosters will not pay for letters and such for non high school students. We would like to review this policy with the athletic director to understand if a change in policy/charter is warranted.
- New Business
 - Appoint election committee at November meeting for December elections.
 - Appoint scholarship committee- need to look at guidelines for the scholarship
 - Sam Wilmot and Merry Norton are appointed to at large positions on the boosters effective immediately.

Next Meeting: Nov 7th , 2011. 7:00PM at AHS Library.