**DATE:** August 6, 2024 **LOCATION:** Fairport Public Library Tech Room

**SCHEDULED:** 7:00-9:00 PM **OPEN INVITE TO ALL**: Notified email list, social media, AD, etc.

**MEETING MINUTES SHALL REFLECT ATTENDANCE: Coach Murphy, Camille Sackett, Kristin Roessel, Erica McDermott, Brianne Young, Jen McNeil, Karen Gropp, Elissa Ostrander, Jon Ludwig, Wendy Andreatta, Steve Gossin, Nicole Burns**

**Executive Committee:**

**Officers:**

President Camille Sackett

VP Steve Gossin

Treasurer Jon Ludwig

Secretary Brie Young (shadowing President)

**Directors:**

Communication/PR Jennifer McNeil (strike out cancer, social media)

Fundraising Elissa Ostrander

**Advisors:**

Kristin Roessel (shadowing VP)

Wendy Andreatta (clothing, hospitality and team parent)

Nicole Burns (shadowing Secretary) assists with bottle and can drive

Sam Rizzo (shadowing Treasurer) Not Present

Erica McDermott

Additional Attendees: Karen Gropp (parent)

*\* AD Booster Club President’s Meeting was scheduled for the same date as the FBBC Meeting, starting at 6 PM at FHS. FBBC Board Members Attending the AD Meeting may arrive at the FBBC meeting late: Camille, Brie & Kristin (Softball Boosters President).*

1. **President** (or sub) will call the meeting to order. Present the agenda and the time allotments.

**Camille called the meeting to order 7:02pm. Fairport Booster Club meeting for Presidents prior to this meeting, Camille will hand out the packet with information about how to run a booster club in this district. We have bylaws, no pay to play, open meetings in a public place, all members invited, books open to all membership with communication about how we raise and spend money. We have an obligation to be respectful with the community and positive and supporting the district and the program. We work to fill in gaps the district can’t fund. We are allowed to have 3 fundraisers, can use sponsors, concessions, donation and dues to fund with out being used as a fundraiser. Youth clinic is community outreach. Primary contact with athletic director.**

**Feedback from season or banquet: positive feedback on venue and format and food; we can book for next year to get ahead of dates. Modified picnic went well, had too much pizza. No feedback on dues. States is June 13-14th, possible banquet 6/16/2025 or Wednesday 6/18/2025**

1. **Secretary** (or sub) distributes meeting minutes to the membership and offers an opportunity for modifications and addendums to those minutes by the membership, followed by a final vote on approval of the minutes. Minutes are on Google Drive.
   1. Motion to approve made by: Camille
   2. Second: Jen
   3. Result of vote: Approved
2. Program report from the **Head Coach** (Coach Murphy) if needed, including any info from FCSD AD.
   1. Share general communication to be passed to membership or needs for the Board.
   2. Status update: Camp, Lifts, Fall Ball, Winter Workouts, etc.
   3. Fairport Music Festival volunteers - SET-UP only

**Camp next week is the last week of camp, working on fall development day maybe Sunday mornings in the fall to get together. Probably not on turf due to fall sports, hoping for one day a week for 2 hours for those not playing a fall sport.**

**Recommend shut down period for about a month around Thanksgiving or end of October through November. Then build back up to get to the season and through the season. We want to avoid overuse and injury as much as possible. Work on fielding and hitting without max throwing.**

**Lifting continues and is 3 days a week at this time, hitting twice a week broken into age groups for once a week each. Will try to continue through the fall with lifting 3 days a week and hitting 1-2 times a week. New facility in the schedule for just the cages to sign them out even if the turf is being used. We are more athletic and stronger from lifting and having this addition to the program as well as teaching good life skills.**

**We can sign up for Ripken Experience, coach will communicate with Jon to send deposit and sign up. This is a field trip for the team, Spring break mid April, 4/13-4/18 potential dates. Will also communicate with Royal Garden for housing to avoid staying in a Ripken affiliated hotel. May look for other options for players and families. Have long standing benefits with the facility and may be worth it to stay in the same place.**

**Batting turtle will be ordered by the district this year!!! Plan to put in by the fences in the fall and it is only for practice. Cover not provided and will need to be funded another way. Research needed for winter cover and cost, will work with Jon to identify a model and cover. Working on getting a list of wishes for the program and talk to coaches about this. We are well covered with equipment at this time with screens and safety netting and pitching machines. Outdoor batting cage at Minerva? Another potential donation to the school? Tried to play opposite with Varsity so JV can use the turf more, not all other districts agreed to this philosophy last season.**

**Hats not being covered at this time by the district, will continue to be paid for by booster club.**

**Wants a sign behind the backstop with all championship titles and awards. Will check with AD since banners will be hung in the gym for all sports. Banner for outfield fence has been a no from the district since the fence is moved and not permanent. Also looking into a wind screen for the fence which would be very expensive to do our field. Will work with ground crew on options and feasibility.**

**Fairport Music Fest 8/24 for set up. 8am to set up, no help with tear down this year. Need as many volunteers as possible from grades 9-11. Email will be sent for volunteers to go at 8am at Bside to assist for about 2 hours. Head count by 8/15, parents can come and everyone gets a free bracelet and t shirt for helping.**

**CBA head coach in Syracuse, we have played them the last 2 years. He is a cancer survivor and has a foundation to donate school supplies to inner city youth. Tee sign sponsored the last few years by Coach. Can booster club cover this sponsorship $100 and a drive to collect school supplies?**

**Camille makes a motion to donate, Wendy second, all approved, Karen Gropp and Coach abstained. Will cover tee sign for tournament this year.**

**7 players named to all county and greater Rochester team. Sam Miller player of the year and named to ABCA gold glove team 9 players in the country named to this team.**

**Coach to find out about winter workouts and time and cost per player.**

1. **Reports on standing committee activities:**
   1. **Publicity/Communications Director** (Jennifer)
      * 1. Website: Plan to start in September to update
        2. Social Media: Will continue to work with coach
        3. Emails
        4. Work with Coach to coordinate Media Day with Meg B.: Did not happen in 2024, needs insurance from the high school to complete this year at MCC. Will ask if she can come to FHS but unsure if she is still working with high schools. May also continue to use our own pictures for social media. Jen has been taking pictures, struggled with mod teams until Jen was able to go to a game. Can we talk to the yearbook for additional resources? Erica will also help with getting mod pictures.
        5. FHS Team Cabinet: Plan to update cabinet this year once the school opens, Nicole to help with updating.
        6. 2024-2025 Yearbook Ad [Vote Required]: Brie made a motion for ad this year, Wendy second for the motion, approved by all to pay for the ad.
        7. Dollars for Scholars: Jen made a motion to send donation, Nicole second, all approved.
        8. Strike Out Cancer: Wendy and Erica to assist with event. Remains a Penfield event, Coach would need to approach Penfield if we want a bigger role. Used to be a game we played under the lights, evolved into the Strike Out Cancer. Plan to move to the new turf field at Penfield when it is ready.
        9. Any feedback for FBBC received on the banquets or team parties, etc.? : All positive feedback on all celebrations for the end of the year. Too much pizza for mod picnic this year.
   2. **Concessions** – (Brie)
      * 1. Updates: Kristin to receive certification for this to have another person ready. Karen Gropp to help organize more volunteers for helping with the stand including players and more parents. Potential for a cart by the field to sell hot dogs and burgers. Camille to ask Fritz and Karen to ask for details about cart.
   3. **Youth Clinic/Outreach** – Steve Gossin
      * 1. Updates: Just need a date in March and will complete.
   4. **Fundraising/Sponsorship**
      * 1. Fundraising proposals/ideas general
        2. Sponsorship proposals/ideas general: Plan to put more effort into calling and looking for sponsorships. Elissa handing out pictures and thank you to last season sponsors.
        3. Final decision on three and dates (President to submit form to AD’s office):

BBQ: No budget vote this year, $2900 profit last year.

Other ideas: wreaths, program donations to generate program, clothing fundraiser, meat raffle/auction

**More work into sponsorships could generate more revenue.**

**Elissa proposed scratch the BBQ and replace with mark up on clothes, more sponsorships or meat raffle. Will get more information on profit and how it works.**

Bottle & Can: Yes for this year

100-inning Game: Yes for this year

* 1. **Clothing** orders & team store - Wendy/Coach
     + 1. Status update on Coach & Wendy to order program hats and shirts through existing supplier, John Lansdowne [unless a vote is requested by meeting
       2. attendees]. Last season the order was due by February 5th). **Happy with product and prices and plan to continue with him.**
       3. Confirm the date the store will open before the season starts, after tryouts, and again for the Mod teams when their tryouts are done. Will continue to talk about dates to open. Holiday store for October/November
       4. Discuss whether the Boathouse jackets will be offered for purchase (with embroidery) this season. **Thoughts on letting families order them? Plan to take a break this year as we are not ordering them this year.**
       5. Waiting on check from company on the orders we had from the website. Unsure of amount at this time.
       6. Can we have a tent for announcer for games, Jen might have one to donate. Players run music for walk up songs.
  2. Financial report from the **Treasurer** (Jon)
     + 1. Current Account balance = $11,000 in the account. Ripken deposit and off season facility dues
       2. Outstanding payments = none
       3. Budget and dues proposal = [reminder for discussion and budget planning, Camille proposed Ripken budget to include gas stipend, etc. for Coaches].
       4. Question about what equipment needed for the program.
       5. Ripken might be less with 3 days instead, pay by the player per day. Plan for double headers to cut down on cost. Family day and a team event day. Plan for a cookout one night as well.
  3. **Ripken**. Discuss continuing: Last year offset Ripken costs for the Varsity team by using the proceeds of the youth clinic to go towards the trip. The Varsity players work the event, so they are working for this money (capped at $4000)?
     + 1. Coach to complete paperwork for FCSD.
       2. On Coach’s approval, Ripken shall be contacted for reservation by the Treasurer and shadow.
       3. On Coach’s approval, Royal Garden shall be contacted for reservation by the President and shadow.
       4. Camille proposed covering gas and food for coach for trip as school does not provide any money for him to travel.
  4. **Announcements.**
     + 1. Next meeting date/location = September 3rd 7pm FPL
  5. **Unfinished business** (old business) as needed.
     + 1. …
  6. **New business** as needed.
     + 1. Donation to 2025 Bash? Erica to collect donation for supplies from Brie and will organize the donation.
  7. **Adjournment**. Camille made a motion, Steve second and approved by all at 8:55pm