

## Benchwarmers August 15 2011 meeting notes

1. **Introductions:** Officers: President Lynette Beinlich, Vice President Beth Hommes, Treasurer Barb Geissler, and Secretary Karen Meinke present. Over 20 parents present.
2. **Chris Larson:** Chris works for River Channel and spoke to the group about football dvd's for sale. All games are recorded, Chris and Joel Eby are the commentators. A set of 10 dvd's plus a highlight dvd, is \$99. If the team goes to the playoffs, there will be no extra charge for dvd's of those games.
3. **Treasurer Report:** Barb presented the ABC Camp, Gold Card, and main account balances and explained the use of each of the three accounts. Gold Card sales will now go into a football-designated school account managed by the HHS Athletic Director.
4. **Update from Coach Kowles**
  - Scrimmage was a big success
  - Golf Tournament: need new chair(s) next year to replace Adam and Gar.
5. **Committees and chairpersons:**
  - 8/6 Pancake Breakfast: Co-chairs Pat & Michele Kelly, Art & Dawn Tobin, Cathy Boehm; was very successful. The group is putting their notes together for use at next year's breakfast. The co-chairs agreed to chair next year. One comment was the need for more custodial staff presence. Co-chairs will send thank you notes to area businesses who contributed.
  - Spaghetti Dinners: Beth Hommes, Colleen Loughney, Regan Dewey. **Underclass co-chair needed.** First dinner scheduled for this Thursday, Aug. 18 at 5.
  - Clothing: Shelly Destasio; everything is going well. Many orders were placed at the Pancake Breakfast.
  - 8/13 Scrimmage Concessions: Carol Loncar & Regan Dewey, co-chairs; Paul Malecha did much of the legwork prior to co-chairs signing up; Great job at organizing and running! Very successful. The co-chairs will coordinate their notes for use next year. Special thanks to John Gaffer, who donated his time and grill, and to Family Fresh for donating burgers, brats, and buns.
  - 9/16 Homecoming Representative: Karla Wakefield
  - 9/15 Homecoming Parade: will be held on the Thursday before Homecoming so that the players aren't so rushed for time before the game.
  - 9/16 Homecoming Feast: Regan Dewey, Lori Meyer; feast is at the high school for the players, after the game. Past practice has been to order sub sandwiches; each class brings drinks, chips, desserts, etc.
  - 10/7 Parents' Night: Frank & Carol Loncar, Chip & Shellea Altman co-chairs.
  - 10/13 Senior Night: Chip & Shellea Altman
  - Programs: Paul Malecha, Kimberly Cantu co-chairs. A mock-up of the program was passed around, and it is very impressive. Minuteman Press printing programs this year. Paul sold ad space.
  - Hudson Football Website: John Metzger; Email addresses for Benchwarmers contact info will be added.
  - Tailgating: The group agreed they would like to tailgate. Lynette will check with Steph on location. The group decided a chairperson wasn't needed, just email to Benchwarmers reminding them to come, and bring a dish to pass. The grill will be running early for concessions.
  - Concessions: Gwen Gierke & Lesa Koski; had signup sheets at Pancake Breakfast; Paul Malecha will find someone to run the grill this Friday (Grambowski had a schedule conflict)
  - Field Painting: Jim & Sue Iverson; **Underclass co-chairs needed for next year and beyond.** The blue paint is out of stock with the supplier so they are checking other options; white has been ordered. Painting begins at 5 on Thursday. **If rain, please drive by field to see if anyone is there and/or what the plan is.**
  - Banquet: Lynda Miller, Regan Dewey co-chairs; Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> appears to be the best possible date at Kilkarney's

- Parent bus for away games: Joel Eby will coordinate with bus company for 2 games (Rice Lake and Superior). **No bus to Kenosha.**
- Cheerleader Liaison: Shellea Altman; will find out about banner for players to run through at beginning of game.
- Scholarship: Beth Hommes, Cathy Boehm.
- Player food pre-& post-game: Sarah Jamieson; food for **varsity players** (sub sandwiches) will be ordered for 4 away games at a cost of \$20/player; order forms were emailed, and will be emailed again. 26 orders so far.
- Banners: Sue Iverson, Paul Malecha; letters for 3 banners will cost \$135, Sue will apply them to the banners. They will be hung at high school, Newton Field, and corner of Carmichael & Vine.
- Football Yearbook: Lori Campbell; **underclass co-chair needed.** Pictures are being taken from games, and will continue to be taken to be placed in the yearbook.

## 6. **New Business**

- **Facebook page:** Lynda Miller will create a Facebook page for Hudson Benchwarmers so that parents can find information, post about carpooling to games, etc.
- **Parent Liaisons:** in an effort to get more parental involvement from underclass parents, a parent from 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade will act as liaison to other parents of those grades and will contact parents for volunteering, notifications, etc. **Tracy Yndestad** agreed to be the 9<sup>th</sup> grade liaison, and **Shellea Altman** agreed to be the 10<sup>th</sup> grade liaison. Their email addresses will be added to [www.hudsonfootball.com](http://www.hudsonfootball.com) .
- **Business signs:** Sue Iverson asked local businesses to advertise home games on their lettered signs. RJ's, Taco John's, Hudson Golf Club, and others agreed to do so. River Bank will also be asked.

## 7. **Future Meetings**

**Tuesday, September 13, 6:30 location to be announced**