

# **Gridiron Meeting Minutes**

## **February 8, 2022**

### **Welcome and Introductions** - Karen Martens

Looking for Vice President who will be present at Friday night games for next year because Karen will not be at many Friday night games as her son will be a freshman

**Persons in attendance**-Tricia Burkett, Karen Martens, Tim Cunningham, Coach Brown, Coach Wrench, Cathay Thiry, Shelly and Chris Bloedel, Fran Schaaf, Keith Chastain, Todd O'Brien, Jim Kuchenreuther, Kim Czarnecki, Mark and Jen Trinko, Kay Nichols, Philip Scott, Amy and Dale Medrano, Dan and Erin Walkowiak, Michelle Reifschneider, Tom Kamlay, Rick Guenther, Kim Arendt, Many fox, Kim Mueller, Heidi Miller Wadzinski, Jolene Nell, Kim Andersen, Karen Harrington

**Meeting Minutes Approval** - Kim Arendt approved, Julie Schuster seconded

**Budget Review and Approval** - Tim Cunningham

- Last year earned \$40000 gold cards+\$16000 golf outing+\$11000 on spirit wear
- Some of the money raised from spirit wear will go to help some families who can not afford the full price of the state championship ring

### **Spiritwear from State**

- Conference Shirts are distributed. Some are remaining, however, there are no more options to pick up the shirt. There are a few names remaining so people at the meeting are asked to look at the list and deliver the shirts as needed.
- DVDs are being distributed tonight as well. DVDs still available for \$20. Few orders not yet picked up. Karen Martens went through the list. Karen will send an email to senior parents.

**Senior scholarship:** Kerri Glynn not at the meeting so Jolene Nell stated that 3-\$1000 or 4 -\$750 scholarships will be offered. Players will write an essay and we will need people to score the essay. Kerrie will be sending out details soon. New parameters: \$1000 for every 10 seniors therefore this year we will have 4-\$1000 scholarships. All in attendance approved this change.

**Honor Scott with a community service award:** Any football player will be eligible for a \$250-500 award for community service. Fran will present the idea at the Spring Gridiron Meeting (possibly in April). She will present the award during charity night on the field. Player will need volunteer or do something good for the community and then write a short essay/description of what they did and what it meant to them as well as documentation/signature that they completed the service hours. Shelley Blodel will help Fran.

**Banquet** was great success! Gina Palacz had a document she will share that has lots of information regarding planning the banquet. Still will need JV/Varsity parents to run the banquet for next season. Will need to reserve the cafeteria in the Spring 2022. Coaches liked that the banquet was after state.

**Point After** gathering occurred in January 2022 as a thankyou to Point After for streaming all of the post season games

**Dance Team state send off:** Thanks Jen, Mary and Heather and the 2 football players who helped send off the Dance team for their state competition with Donuts, coffee, balloons. Suggestion for next time bottle juice and chocolate milk for next year. Need someone to coordinate a send off for the cheer state competition February 18th-Tricia Burkett will coordinate with Tina Rock also volunteered for this position.

**Gift card for Coach Wiske's volunteer:** Coach Wiske was not on the FHS payroll this year. Gridiron would like to offer \$1000 in compensation. Coach Brown suggested a visa gift card. Everyone at the meeting was in agreement to pay the \$1000 gift card to Coach Wiske. Next year-vote October or November meeting on this issue next season

### **Volunteer positions needed**

- Need photographers for JV and varsity
- Gold Cards: Erin Walkowiak will lead but needs a helper
- Split up the pasta night and away game subs responsibilities into 2 positions

### **Golf Outing: Angela Kallay**

- Sponsorship form was distributed at this meeting and will later be distributed by email.
- Look into Venmo-may be reportable but not taxable if over \$600-Angela and Heather Rivard will look into this. Tyler Obrien will work with Tim Cunningham regarding this issue.
- August 6th
- Old committee members met with new committee members to plan and hand over the reigns
- Still welcoming more volunteers

### **Coach Brown:**

- Thank you to all the parents for the fun ride to state champions!
- Jersey's are ordered and Coach Wiske will have them ready in March
- Next year is the year to order new jerseys. 50% discount on 2 sets of jerseys and full price for the Jordan jersey. Only 2 other teams in Wisconsin have the Jordan Jersey for home games. We were chosen to do this. Home-Jordan; Away-Nike; 3rd set for Freshman for away games (\$7000 which is 50% off for 60 jerseys) Total \$38,000. School will pay \$4500 for the uniforms. Gridiron will pay around \$33,500 paid in September. Last time we bought uniforms was 4 years ago and the cost was \$42000. All
- 7 v7 tournament on Sundays \$80 per player at the ROCK. For Juniors and Seniors. \$1500 per team and the families pay per player. Non contact from the coaches.
- Coach just returned from a FB clinic.
- Some of the Coaches will be speaking at a few clinics coming up. Already thinking about reloading for next season.
- Players should have maxed out in weight room.
- Rings should arrive in the next few weeks. About 8 weeks from when they order. Coach will reach out to Jostens to see who still needs to pay. Gridiron will pay the balance on 2 of the rings for 1 player and 1 videographer.
- Coaches next year: Coach Beck should be coming back for one more year. Coach Stone is on the fence. Coach needs to meet with a few more coaches about plans for next year. Have a lot of great assistant coaches.
- One topic of the clinic is "How to get moms to love football"

***Next Gridiron Meeting March 8, 2022 in FHS Library***