

**St. Patrick Athletic Association Meeting Minutes**  
**March 03, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 6:33pm by Dan Lawless opening with prayer.

**Meeting Participants:** Diane Bissell, Carol Gunderman, Dave and Mary Kramer, Neil Miros, Dan Lawless, Sheri Platte, Glen and Eva Pung, Randy Pung, Pat Russman, Teresa Schneider, Kim Schrauben, Kristen Schrauben, Amy Smith, Doug Smith,, Christine Wilcox, Scott Pline, Shayla Schneider, Heather Scheurer, Sara Pratt, Eric Pratt, and Tammy Bengel.

There were 24 people in attendance at this meeting.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as written.

Question concerning sending thank-you notes to specific donors. In the past, donations came directly to the Athletic Association treasure, with the current configuration, donations go through the parish. Carol Gunderman will contact Mike Johnson to be notified of donors to send a proper thank you.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dave Kramer provided financial statements.

Overall gate for basketball up from last year. Total income up from last year so far. We still have to prepare for spring sports. There was discussion at the meeting for a need to build in contingencies to the budget for unexpected requests for funds. The treasurer will work with the AD to establish a line item budget for this for upcoming years.

Checking Balance	
Parish Account Balance	\$42,487.69
PFCU Checking Account	\$ 275.02
PFCU CD (Matures 2012)	\$24,345.70
PFCU Savings Account	\$ 5.08
PFCU Money Market Account	\$17,532.37
PFCU Officials Account	\$ 1936.25
<b>TOTAL Cash Balance at this meeting</b>	<b>\$86,582.11</b>

**Sports Raffle:**

Raffle Winners:

*Feb 3 (\$500) Steve and Barb Wilcox                      Feb 10 (\$100) Marie Schrauben    Feb 17 (\$100) Nancy and John Makowski                      Feb 24 (\$100) Pauline Wireman*

**Athletic Director's Report:** Pat Russman provided the Athletic Director's Report.

- Girls bowling won Regionals as a team. They made it to the semi finals and were 3rd in the State in Division 4.
- Great season for girls basketball. They tied PW for CMAC league title
- Boys basketball plays Fowler Wed 3/06 at Fultion 7:30pm tip off

- Wed. March 20 is the Winter Sports Banquet. Every athlete is asked to bring their own table service, their parents, and their favorite dish to pass. Mark Simon and crew will be cooking the main dish.
- Shamrock logos should be up on the City signs soon.
- Scoreboard quote for the gym: one wireless scoreboard that would accommodate basketball and volleyball is \$4521. A smaller board for the opposite side would run \$3611. This was approved by the auction committee for the wish list item.
- Portland Middle School has plans to re-do their gym floor in the summer of 2014. They have asked us if we would like to help out with this endeavor. All agreed this is a worthwhile expense. An amount of \$3000 was suggested in terms of budgeting by Portland Schools. Discussion surrounded where this expense would come out of our current budget. It was noted, Portland has been very gracious to us in both their football and basketball facilities. We have donated to projects in the past. Most recent was \$2000 for lighting in the gym a couple of years ago. Dave Kramer motioned to put a line item in the upcoming budget for facilities usage that would cover this for next year, then carry over each year as a line item budget. Amy Smith second. No objections. Motion carried.
- CMAC has 2nd round of interviews for an assignor for the league. An assignor is a person who gets all the officials for all sporting events for the league. Each school would be required to pay their portion of the assignor. This would cost on average \$200 per sport additional to the referees. If the majority of the schools in the CMAC vote to have the assignor, all schools will be required to utilize the assignor.
- There is an opportunity to purchase a like-new pitching machine and batting cage for the softball field for \$400.00. This would allow for a softball cage at Fr. Flohe Field. Much discussion surrounded how to pay for this needed item. Pat Russman explained that each sport is allotted an equipment budget each season. The allotted equipment budget for girls softball would allow for this purchase.
- Team accounts and how they work were explained by Pat Russman. Each team has an account that they can fundraise for to purchase items not considered necessary in the athletic budget. Coaches can sign up for 50/50's, car washes, ect.. to increase the money in their team accounts. Any extra fundraisers need to be approved by the St. Patrick Fundraising committee. MHSAA rules dictate what these accounts can/cannot be used for, but for the most part, within MHSAA guidelines, a coach, with the AD can make decisions in regards to this money.
- Golf has been put into host District - not yet confirmed.
- March 11 - Spring practices start
- Spring Varsity schedules should be finalized this week - still waiting on some schools to see what teams they have after first week of practices.
- April 8 is the first day of Varsity Softball/Baseball play.
- There is a possibility that we could be granted an AED. Some requirements need to be met, such as getting a certain number of people certified. Pat Russman is working on this and will report more at the April meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Scrap Metal fund raiser:** Randy Pung is heading this again. Date is April 13, 2013. Funds raised go in to a line item budget for a new bus to benefit the school and athletics when needed.

**Shamrock Auction:** Eva Pung is the Athletic Association co-chair. We have had many of our active core committee members graduate off the committee. Dan Lawless will be meeting with the auction committee to make sure we are doing our fair share. The auction is a joint effort of the school and Athletic Association. Please volunteer to work at the event, sell/buy tickets, donate to the auction, and put those paddles up on the night of the auction!

**Baseball/Softball Concessions:** Is this worth the time and personnel? It was decided we would table the concessions for this year. Many teams (including our own) provide their own dinner between games for the teams and parents. Because games begin so early, parents would not be able to take work off to work concessions.

**Stations of the Cross:** March 15, 2013 - From Sue VanLente: There are still 6 openings for soup. Stations begin at 6:00pm. We'll be using the Mary-version of Stations, which is beautiful and touching. Soup Supper follows immediately in the Parish Hall. Please come to this worthwhile Lenten Hour.

**Election of Officers:** This usually occurs in June, but it was decided to conduct the elections at the April meeting (which is March 24) to allow for a transition time. Nominations will be taken up until the time of voting. At the meeting, the following nominations occurred: Secretary: Carol Gunderman; Treasurer: Tricia Beachnau; Vice President: Sherri Dixon; President: Neil Miros. If you were not at this meeting and would like to be nominated, please let Dan Lawless know or sign up at the March 24, 2013 meeting.

**Winter Sports Banquet:** March 20 at 6:30pm. Set up at 3:45pm.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Spring Sports Assignments:** JV softball: Amy Smith and Neil Miros; Varsity Softball: Doug Smith; Varsity Baseball: Dave Kramer; JV Baseball: Scott Pline

**Other business -** It was suggested that a wish list be created for each sport so people could donate directly to that item. For example, if the golf coach wanted matching golf bags, people could donate directly to that fund or directly purchase wish list items. Pat Russman and Dave Kramer explained that people should donate to the team accounts for items or talk directly with the coach.

A member relayed a request from another parent that the weight room needs to be updated. Specifics were not given, however, members mentioned the weight room should be cleaned more often. Athletes should be wiping their stations off as they go. Pat Russman indicated the items in the weight room are in line with the majority of the

CMAC. The weight room is open at 2:15 for any 6-12 grade student with a parent release. The weight room is supervised by staff.

**Recognition** – Our bowling team parents were noted by another person at the event for being nice and friendly.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the last minute need of the recent split of boys games.

Meeting ended with prayer; Adjourned at 7:55pm: Amy Smith motioned, Neil Miros second.

**Next Meeting:** March 24 – 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Gunderman