

PENFIELD PATRIOTS SPORTS BOOSTER CLUB

Minutes 10/15/07

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Athletic Director		Pete Shambo
President		Tom VanThof
Vice President		Mick Schoenberger
Treasurer		Chuck Fogle
Secretary		Chris Evans
Baseball		Chris Potter
Basketball	Boy's	Don Bates
Basketball	Girl's	Betsey Barrett
Cheerleading		Kris Drabik
Football		Chris Potter/Tom VanThof
Gymnastics	Girl's	Nina/Chris DeVincentis
Ice Hockey		Don Hoyler
Lacrosse	Girl's	Mick Schoenberger
Skiing	Alpine	Lisa Sykes
Skiing	Nordic	Carolyn Acquilano
Soccer	Girl's	Betsey Barrett
Softball		Ray Jacobi
Swimming	Boy's	Patty/Pat Farneth
Swimming	Girl's	Joanne Squilla
Tennis	Boy's	Chris Evans
Track Indoor	Boy's	Donna Kaser
Track/Spring	Girl's	Marie Mahany
Wrestling		Chuck Fogle
Superintendent of Penfield Schools		Dr. Susan Gray

Please let Linda or Chris know if you got to the meeting late and forgot to sign in – Thanks!

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Motion to accept September minutes made by Donna Kaser, seconded by Joanne Squilla; all accepted.

NEW BUSINESS: *Dr. Susan Grey, Superintendent of Penfield Schools*, came to talk about **TRANSPORTATION:**

- Goal: get kids where they need to be.
- Question: Do we need extra buses/drivers just for sports?
- Obstacles: totally out of space at the bus garage (not approved on 1st facilities project proposal)
- There is only one bus repair lift working at the garage so maintenance and repair schedules are backed up
- Looked at contracting out services with Laidlaw & BOCES but they do not want to do piecework
- Current routes cover the High School, Bay Trail, Elementary Schools, Private Schools and Shuttles
- Have to get the kids home from after-school activities too (not just sports) and there are many participants
- 3 busses are coming in around the end of December or beginning of January
- There is a 6-12 month order timeframe to order buses, however, these 3 alone will not solve the problem
- Re-routing to free up more busses – doing a study to review (been working on it – 3 meetings past 3 weeks)
- All kids are equally important – there is no precedence of one sport or activity over another
- Per Pete Shambo – there has been anger over who gets to be “on time”
- Factors affecting who gets the busses:
 - Varsity sports trying to qualify for post-season play
 - Events that rely on sunlight hours and/or are farthest away
 - Pete is working with other districts to share their buses
 - Letting tennis parents drive their children (although, per State, the school is supposed to bus them)
 - Field trips – more than 100 miles can get charter bus

Note: the problem with contracting out private buses for sports teams is that bus drivers are unionized and work cannot be taken away from them. Ongoing problem but they are working on it!

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: Tom VanThof

- New Superintendent search – interviewing dates of January 14/15/16 have been scheduled

VICE PRESIDENT: Mick Schoenberger

- Per report from Webmaster, site has been updated – miscellaneous forms are now available for download
- Kevin Farmer's team photos will be done soon
- Also mentioned that we need to renew (pay for) website in November

SECRETARY: Linda Dronsfield/Chris Evans

- Will update the new attendance sheet as necessary and forward minutes to reps and officers for review

TREASURER: Chuck Fogle

- Review your sports transaction detail reports for accuracy – **you have a 90-day window to fix!**
- Be sure to use deposit slips that have numbers on them.
- Email Chuck at CFOGLE@FRANKLILLANDSON.COM if you have a question or concern.
- See Chuck to renew BJ card if necessary.
- Family First is still ironing out problems – no switchover from M&T yet.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:

STUDENT REP: No report

VARSITY CLUB REP: No report

CONCESSIONS: The Concessions Lottery will be held on 11/19 at 7pm!

- If you want to work concessions at basketball games, wrestling matches or swim meets to raise money for your team, you have to be present for the draw. How it works – sports team names put in a hat, when drawn you get to pick your date. Some dates are already reserved (i.e., Coaches for Cancer games go to Basketball) however, there are 10 home dates to choose from

FUNDRAISING: Pete Shambo/Tom Van Thof

- ❖ New entrance to the stadium: Walk of Fame; Contributor's Row; Patriot Path, other ideas?
- ❖ Selling brick pavers similar to those used at St John Fisher
- ❖ Brick fundraising sales – need 5 people to join Tom VanThof's committee and a chairperson
- ❖ Every sport should be involved in the sales (not just indoor or outdoor sports)

MEMBERSHIP: no change reported

FACILITIES:

- Tom Van Thof collected facilities proposals for Sue DelPozzo (10/15 was deadline to submit)
- Meeting of the facilities proposal review committee is scheduled for 10/29
- Voting on the proposals will take place at the 11/19 booster club meeting

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Pete Shambo

- Baseball and softball now have paid assistant coaches
- Proposing assistants for volleyball and basketball next year (currently paid out of individual sports booster \$)
- Contact sports have paid assistants in past – moving to get them in all sports

MISCELLANEOUS: Don Bates

- Basketball is bringing the Harlem Wizards vs. assorted faculty
 - Flyer displayed on next two pages
 - Still looking for more faculty & staff to play
- Please pass along the media release to your group of parents. Thanks!

***The next booster meeting will be Monday, November 19th at 7:30 pm
(7:00 if you want to participate in the concessions lottery)***

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.



Media Release

Contact: Don Bates / Penfield Basketball Booster Club
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THE HARLEM WIZARDS ARE COMING TO PENFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
 TO PLAY PENFIELD TEACHERS & FACULTY MEMBERS!
 WHEN: THURSDAY NIGHT NOVEMBER 8TH
 TIME: GAME START AT 7PM, DOORS OPEN AT 6:15PM
 STUDENTS & SENIOR CITIZENS: \$8 IN ADVANCE/\$10 AT DOOR
 ADULTS: \$10 IN ADVANCE/\$12 AT DOOR
 ADVANCE TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER OCTOBER 19TH AT
 THE NEW EASTSIDE YMCA ON RT. 250 & FAMILY FIRST ON
 BROWNCROFT BLVD.

The Harlem Wizards are one of the greatest basketball show-team organizations to ever "lace it up and let 'em fly." Each event that the Harlem Wizards perform offers a rare combination of individual athleticism, teamwork, entertainment and community involvement. It is pure enjoyment for every fan in attendance.

Featuring some of the top basketball talent in the world, **the Harlem Wizards' exciting brand of "Tricks, Hoops & Alley-Oops"** is so engaging that after five decades they are still packing gymnasiums all across the globe with fans eager to laugh and be amazed.

The tradition and the glue of the Harlem Wizards' special experience is their bond with the fans. Worldwide, our clients and fans can't get enough of the Harlem Wizards! **Since 1962**, the Harlem Wizards have played over 6,000 games in both the United States and abroad, thrilling millions of fans along the way. The Harlem Wizards' current winning streak exceeds 2,800 games, and miles of smiles.

The Harlem Wizards' Mission is to create an amazing, joyous and awe-inspiring basketball experience for all. Theatrics, tricks, and alley-oops are part of the show and every game is filled with surprises. Every night the opponent is different, and so is the crowd. The Harlem Wizards improvise and adjust to give the fans what they are looking for. A College opponent and crowd might want to see a true epic battle and an elementary school crowd gets more of a kick out of their teachers being involved in a comedy skit.

While the Wizards are great, wholesome family entertainment, the Wizards "not just for kids" approach calls for the players and the organization to innovate and produce events with surprising twists and challenges that keep the players on their toes, and the fans, coming back year after year. The Wizards are committed to taking show ball where it has never been. The Wizards goal is to be so spectacular that the eight year old, still loves the Wizards when he or she turns 18.

A good opponent brings out the competitive fire in the Wizards players, but that is not a problem! The Wizards magic and skill is being able to shift the mood from hilarious to serious and back, in the blink of an eye.

The Harlem Wizards perform their events on many different courts and stages. Around the world, Harlem Wizards games are usually held in arenas, while they play celebrities, freestyle ballers and professional teams. In the USA, the Harlem Wizards perform for schools, charities, colleges, corporations, communities and private events. Millions of dollars have been raised for non-profit community organizations and charities, while providing amazing basketball entertainment.



The Wizards have toured worldwide, to five continents and 22 countries. They recently returned from a tour of China, where millions watched the Wizards games on TV in Beijing. They have also hooped in many high profile charity events, with stars like Russell Simmons, TV stars Malcolm Jamal Warner and Luke Perry, sports commentator/writer Peter Vescey and WFAN, on-air personality Chris "Mad Dog" Russo.

The Wizards have been the playground for some of the NBA's greatest legends. NBA Top 50 All-Time selections Connie Hawkins and Nate "Tiny" Archibald have both played with the Wizards. Hawthorne Wingo, a Knick favorite developed his pro game for four years with the Wizards. Over 20 NBA players have played with the Wizards. College greats and playground legends have also dotted the Wizards roster. Over 30 former and current Wizards were listed in Slam Magazines top street baller historical retrospective.

Third generation Wizard fans remember names like Lawrence "Magic Man" Gable, "Puggy" Bell, "Showboat" Dumpson, "Pickles" Murphy, Larry "Butterfly Man" Cheatham and Bobby "Zorro" Hunter.

In 1992 Howie Davis, the Wizards founder passed away. Todd Davis stepped onto the court to continue the legacy his father had created. The new Millennium has seen a Harlem Wizards team stronger then ever with a healthy combination of old crowd favorites and new young rising sensations.

Current Wizards showstopper Eric "Broadway" Jones is a former Harlem Globetrotter star and a World Scholar Athlete. Arnold "A-Train" Bernard, was featured in the NIKE Freestyle Commercial, and was a seven year Globetrotter before becoming a Wizard. "Tojo" Henderson is an icon, still thrilling audiences after over 40 years.

The Harlem Wizards are an experience that you don't want to miss.