

**Flying R Booster Club
Meeting Minutes**

Date: November 10, 2014
Chair: Denise Monty
Location: Riverside High School
585 Riverside Drive
Painesville, Ohio 44077
Room 102

Attendees:

Denise Monty (officer)
Doug Rippin (officer)
Diane Rippin (officer)
Sandy Durisin (officer)
Lisa Page
Cindy Schwarzwald
Jane Swank
Jen Karlstrom

Call to Order: Denise Monty called the Flying R Booster club meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

Introductions: A sign-in sheet was distributed and members in attendance greeted one another.

Agenda: The agenda was distributed via email with a meeting invitation to the Flying R Booster Club event via flyingrboosters@gmail.com . Copies were also available at the meeting.

Meeting Minutes Approval: The October 13, 2014 meeting minutes were distributed by email. Denise asked if there were any comments on the meeting minutes. Hearing none Doug Rippin made a motion to accept the minutes, Lisa Page seconded and the motion passed with a voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Doug Rippin was in attendance and provided the treasurer's report for the period of October 13, 2014 through November 9, 2014. The beginning balance was **\$9,454.67**.

The income reported included:

\$864.80 Middle School FunD Run Deposit
\$100.00 Replace Spirit Wear Start –Up Cash
\$123.50 Spooky House Fund Raiser

The expenses reported included:

\$624.00 Fort Rapids Water Park MS Dinner for State Meet
\$60.00 Start Up Cash for Chick-Fil-A Night Basket Raffle

\$9,858.97 Meeting Checking Balance 11/10/14

Lisa Page made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report Sandy Durisin seconded, the motion passed with a voice vote.

Jen Karlstrom reported that Coach McKenrick will have some receipts to be reimbursed for the middle school banquet to cover the cost of chicken and awards. The monies will come from their FunD Run Account of which the balance is currently \$353.80.

Funds Request Form: There will be a form for anyone who would like to request funds from the club. Once the form is received, it will be brought before the board and voted on. The forms will be available on the website or by emailing the club at: flyingrboosters@gmail.com

Coaches Report: (If applicable) No coaches were in attendance.

Club Activities:

Table Football Games September 19th and October 17th. First game we sold \$84 worth of merchandise however we sold absolutely nothing at the second game. Conclusion was that there are too many things for sale at the games and as the season wears on people become disinterested in purchasing items. If we have a fun item available at next year's tailgate party (such as the "fan stix") we may consider setting up at one game early in the year.

Maple Ridge Spooky House October 26th Spooky House was well received and fun and the club benefited in the way of \$123.50. This is definitely something that can be "built upon" in the future. Promoting it at the Hallo Dash race was helpful and perhaps we can work with Mrs. Johnson next year on a joint effort promoting the two events. Discussed adding kids in costumes, cider and hot chocolate, pumpkin patches and advertising specific to elementary school age students. Maple Ridge not only hosted Spooky House, but also provided mums for both the middle school and varsity cross country banquets. Huge thanks to Maple Ridge Nursery and Karin Stubler.

Booster Support Group Meeting October 27th. A chance for all the booster clubs to get together and keep each other informed of fundraising projects and how the teams are doing. It was a very successful fall at Riverside including our Cross Country team. A nice group effort between our Club and the athletic department resulted in the Girls Varsity team getting very nice new uniforms. The Riverside Athletic Booster club is out of money. It may be that each booster club may need to contribute in order to cover the cost of having the taxes done for all who fall under their "umbrella". Mr. Bellios mentioned that the track itself is worn and although we had the track relined the lines are fading, especially those on the inside lanes. Dan Wayner is now in charge of facilities and is doing a great job. Mr. Bellios thanked the club for helping him replace many of the hurdles as well as providing conditioning equipment for the track team. The pole vault pad has been replaced, but the collar the pole goes in may now be out of specification and in fact the entire pole vault pit needs updated.

Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night November 6th. While the profits were not what we hoped it was a fun night with plenty of entertainment from the "dancing cow". Thanks to the families that attended and to the varsity athletes for helping in the dining room. We started a raffle for a nice basket of Riverside and Flying R winter gear. The raffle will continue and the drawing held at Comedy Night.

Middle School Awards Night November 6th Jen Karlstrom reported that it was a fantastic banquet. One of the parents did a slide show and the Riverside cafeteria was filled. There was some chicken purchased and the rest of the meal was provided by the families' and done pot luck style. A parent volunteered to decorate and mums were provided by Maple Ridge Nursery for 8th grade athletes to present to their parents. Coach McKenrick will submit receipts for food and awards to the club with funds to come from the FunD Run balance.

Cross Country Varsity Banquet November 9th Varsity banquet went very well with a big thank you to the Schwarzwalders, Durisin, Monty, Rippin, and Baker families for both setting up AND cleaning up. Also thanks to Shirlaine Brown for all her help during the dinner. The only thing missing was a sound system. Coach Basich, Coach Ozinga, and Coach Farenchak did a great job working together and presenting the awards. We had a great turnout with only one male and one female athlete not in attendance. A celebration of a great season!! Congratulations to Katie Durisin and Coach Basich for their state plaques.

Club Upcoming Activity Planning:

Comedy Night November 22nd. We have had people say they would bake and we will pick up items for the concession stand. We have had very few ticket monies turned in by the CC athletes and there are a lot of tickets still out. At this time there is much concern about the number that will be in attendance. (Tickets were sent home with the CC athletes about a month ago). Please email the club if you need more tickets or if you have tickets to return. We will ask Mrs. Poje to see if we may be able to sell tickets in the lobby during the play this coming weekend. The event has been on Event Brite, the District and CC website, Riverside Newsletter, District phone and email blast, Township newsletter, and the Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Bureau Calendars. 50/50 Raffle and Spirit Ware will also be available.

Spaghetti Dinner March 18th Plans are in the beginning stages. The cafeteria is reserved and Lisa Baker has agreed to run the kitchen again. The next big task is sending letters of solicitation for basket donations.

Chipotle Spirit Night April 14th Chipotle 9188 Mentor Ave. Mentor, Ohio 44060 (440)255-0759

Mardi Gras 5K Race July 4th. We have contracts for the timing system with Second Sole. There are two options, pull tab timing and chip timing. We will stay with pull tab timing as it is more economical. We have July 4th reserved and must return the contact and \$250 deposit to Second Sole by January 1st. This includes a ¼ page ad in the race book and the membership agreed not to pay any additional cost for a larger ad. There are also timing discounts offered if Second Sole and Greater Cleveland XC are included on our race tee shirts. Wendy Carlson does not believe there will be any extra cost for police or fire assistance because the race falls on the 4th of July itself. January 12, 2015 at 7:00 pm is the first Mardi Gras planning meeting that a member of the Flying R board will need to be present at. Denise has also reached out to Geoff Weber regarding our race being part of a Lake Health Series as well as to Katelyn at Just Run regarding a possible promotion of the race through her programs.

Old Business:

Track Invoices: We have not yet received the invoices for the equipment that we approved for purchase this past spring. Minutes note that our portion of the hurdles is \$1,440.00 and the conditioning equipment totaled \$1,432.50.

New Business:

Spirit Ware: We are looking at what inventory to purchase for the upcoming track season with sweatshirts and hoodies being something we would like to add. There were many requests for them last year.

Track Fundraising- We are looking at our options. Comedy Night is our next big event that is to fund the Flying R Club, so we can continue to support both of our teams- Track and Cross Country. Being that the interest in Comedy Night has been at a minimal we are not likely to embark on any major fundraising projects unless approached directly by track parents.

Form for Requesting Funds from Flying R-see information in the Treasurer's Report.

Next Meeting: December 8, 2014 6:30pm Riverside High School 585 Riverside Dr Painesville, Ohio 44077 Room 102 email: flyingrboosters@gmail.com

Adjournment: Denise asked if there was any additional new business. With no new business, the members voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm.