



Scotts Valley High School Falcon Club

C/o Scotts Valley High School

555 Glenwood Drive, Scotts Valley, CA 95066

Minutes from Meeting on Wednesday, September 9, 2020

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Welcome and Call to Order: Todd Hoffman began the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Attendees: Todd Hoffman, Chrissie Reynolds, Lorraine Strassman, Nancy Franich, Heidi Reynolds, Patty Shilling, Louie Walters, Patti Erickson.

Approval of Minutes: Lorraine Strassman introduced a motion to pass the Minutes of August 12, 2020. The motion was seconded by Patty Shilling and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Chrissie Reynolds

We have \$173,625.94 cash in the bank. Of that amount, \$51,535 belongs to the teams and are restricted for their use, not the Falcon Club.

Year to year comparison is, of course, completely different given the pandemic. Last year, we had \$33,000 in so far and this year, we are negative \$250 due to league fees we have paid. Most of the money we have raised has come from Drive for Schools and some membership donations. It is inspiring to see that some people are still supporting athletics even though things feel so uncertain.

The Executive Board met over the summer and created a budget. This budget will be re-assessed mid-year. By then, we should know when, or if, there will be games.

One thing to note is that last spring, we paid all of the spring coaches stipends but we had only started to collect participation donations so there was a gap there. Also, coaches had already made purchases so there were expenses incurred. This year, we will be unable to afford to pay coaches should sports be cancelled again. Contracts are based on coaching games, not for a specific period of time.

Steve, who takes care of the grounds, was going to be cut by the District and we were trying to keep him here. Steve does an amazing job with all of our district's fields and we will be in a tough spot without him. We were trying to figure out how we could keep him on if we could cover \$18,000 and a private donation could cover \$2,000. Unfortunately, he has resigned and will be re-locating. We own him for July, August and September and the District owes $\frac{1}{2}$ of that. Mike Smith is the donor of the \$2,000 and will still make the contribution to assist us. We do not, at this time, have anyone to replace Steve.

Athletic Director Report: Louie Walters

The Athletic Directors from the County met this morning. Conditioning may begin on September 21, 2020. If COVID-19 numbers do not go back up, we can start off-season conditioning at the high school. There are many restrictions in place including temperature checks, face mask usage and social distancing. Return to play guidelines are still being worked on. Tanya Krause has the framework and then, it will be sent out to coaches. Conditioning rules apply to all teams.

The league schedules are completed. Protocols were discussed. CCS and CIF set December 14, 2020 as the start date. Athletic Directors would like to shift that to after Winter break given that is in the midst of the holidays and finals. Athletic Directors made recommendation to principals to start after January 1, 2020.

Louie met with the representative from Snap Raise re streaming sporting events. They supply video cameras and livestream.

Players need to have all of their paperwork completed by the first practice. All physicals need to be taken care of with students own physicians; no school-organized physicals.

We have a significant issue with losing Steve because he did a great job maintaining the fields. The District has big shoes to fill.

Question from Chrissie Reynolds: How many open coach positions?

Response from Louie Walters: The only open position is for head track coach. We faced some challenges because two of our coaches did two sports and now they are occurring at the same time. Boys soccer and swimming coach, Mike Ayers, and girls soccer and track, Taylor Raymond.

Drive for Schools Update: Lorraine Strassman

Lorraine spoke with the person running the fundraiser and learned that they are giving us 1500 tickets. Last year, sold over 900. Lorraine sent out personalized emails to previous participants and received \$1,000 in response to those. Preordered tickets total \$7,700 with \$3,900 paid for at this point. Three participants are doing half (\$100) of regular participation donation. One family indicated they would do \$200 so long as there is an attempt to roll forward some if sport gets cancelled. One donation from Karina Lin went to Cross Country for \$100. Her kids are previous SVHS student athletes.

Ticket sales begin on Sept. 15 and will be handled out of the SVHS office. October 16 is the last day for orders and tickets are due on October 26, 2020. The drawing is on November 1st, 2020.

Membership Update: Heidi Reynolds

To date, we have 13 memberships. We have \$50 and \$100 membership levels. Some families have made gifts of \$150 or more. Heidi will contact them to see if they want Drive for School tickets for these contributions.

Questions from Lorraine Strassman: Can we send out Drive for Schools and Membership Form via Constant Contact with Maria's help? And, can we make sure forms are on the website and sent out via Facebook posts?

President's Report: Todd Hoffman

Amanda Gunderson will continue to be our banner representative. We have 1 banner thus far.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.