



Scotts Valley High School Falcon Club
C/o Scotts Valley High School
555 Glenwood Drive, Scotts Valley, CA 95066

Minutes from November 4, 2020 Falcon Club Meeting

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This meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

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

Attendees: Todd Hoffman, Neil Aratin, Chrissie Reynolds, Lorraine Strassman, Heidi Reynolds, Patty Shilling, Louie Walters.

Approval of Minutes: Patty Shilling made a motion to pass the September 9, 2020 and October 7, 2020 Minutes. Motion seconded by Lorraine Strassman. Unanimously approved.

Drive for Schools Update: Lorraine Strassman

We did quite well compared to our peer schools. We had 75 families buy tickets and raised \$12,250 selling 522 packs of tickets. We had many winners, too. Three of the families donating do not have kids in sports so the money went into a general fund instead of a particular sport. Five families picked up tickets but never turned them in. We finished in the top 10 for Santa Cruz County. The top winner of high schools was a private school.

Athletic Director Report: Louie Walters

Louie had a good meeting with Superintendent Tanya Krause yesterday. Louie asked a lot of questions and Tanya answered every one. They both think that Gov. Newsom will come out with guidelines for youth sports.

Can we travel out of County? Monterey County is in purple right now and we need to stay within our color and that is orange for now. It would appear we will be staying within our County only and end up playing teams more often.

Start dates: CCS has Dec. 11 as the official start date. Scotts Valley Principal, Mr. Hanson, and Vice Principal, Mr. Aratin, and Louie all agree that it might be best (and safest) to wait until after the holiday break. Football, for example, is supposed to play Salinas on January 11 and would start on January 4.

Per Tanya Krause, fan guidelines are same as restaurants. 50% occupancy. Athletic Directors need money for gate so could use online service to buy tickets. We would have a set amount of tickets that could open up for sale two days prior to game and once sold out, look at streaming and charging for that. This could actually help us reach more people than we typically do. We can't change the price of tickets as it is set by the league. The entire league is looking at a uniform approach and will take a portion. This gives us some guidelines of what things could look like.

Our locker rooms will not be open. We will be restricted to 14 kids on 50 passenger buses so would need 4 buses for football. This would be expensive so keeping it within our County could help as players could get to games on their own.

Our next steps are dependent on State and County guidelines. We should get there and most other schools will likely fall in line with our proposed Jan. 4, 2021 start date suggestion.

Tanya is checking on whether volleyball is going to work because it's indoors. Some schools are doing it. If there's a way we could play, she'll make it happen.

Players will be kept in cohorts for football and basketball. Moving girls' basketball to the middle school tomorrow. Neil Aratin and Louie are meeting with baseball coach who is trying to get something started after Thanksgiving break. Cheer is getting ready, too.

We are approved to do all sports participation paperwork online. Louie has a webinar tomorrow so should be launched within a week.

Neil Aratin: SCCAL last met in September and were not all on same page. Football is more difficult because there are different divisions based on strength of program. Higher division would have wider travel range. We are B so we are easier to work into the in-County only scenario. One key is funding for transportation. How many parents can drive? Can they then watch the game?

Neil is on Board of Managers which meets monthly. We want to keep league schedule but they won't have a choice because schools can't travel to areas of higher risk than their own.

Todd Hoffman: There is no discussion yet re CCS playoffs and State.

Neil Aratin: All systems are go until/unless we are told to slow down. We are focused on getting kids back to classroom in some hybrid form.

Treasurer's Report: Chrissie Reynolds

Treasurer's Report: \$183,671.73 total in bank. Out of this amount, \$50,889.13 belongs to the teams. If we spend more than we bring in this year, we should be ok. This year, we are not spending anything more than what is absolutely necessary. We should be able to keep from going into negative numbers thanks mostly to Drive for Schools. A big thank you to Lorraine for her hard work on that.

Chrissie question: We talked about the invoice for Steve Woodruff. Are there any updates from the District? Neither Todd nor Louie have heard anything. We have the \$2,000 donation in hand and Chrissie will follow up with the District.

President's Report: Todd Hoffman

Todd asked Patty Shilling to send Maria Torchio-Gauthier the Minutes from August, September and October so she can update the website.

Lorraine Strassman: Goodwill fundraiser for the Parent Club is coming up and then we will do one for the Falcon Club in the spring.

Chrissie Reynolds: Who is taking care of the fields right now? Louie: Right now the maintenance crew is taking care of everything.

Meeting ended at 7:33 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, December 2, 2020