



Scotts Valley High School Falcon Club
C/o Scotts Valley High School
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Minutes for Meeting on February 3, 2021

Welcome and Call to Order: Todd Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Attendees: Linda Benko, Todd Hoffman, Chrissie Reynolds, Patty Shilling, Lorraine Strassman, Patti Erickson, Neil Aratin, Louie Walters, Sean Coyne, Vanda Cash

Approval of the Minutes: Motion to approve January 6, 2021 Minutes made by Chrissie Reynolds and seconded by Louie Walters. All Board members in attendance voted to approve the Minutes.

Public Comment: None.

ASB Report: None.

Treasurer's Report: Chrissie Reynolds & Linda Benko

The total bank balance is \$176,034 with the teams' balances amounting to \$46,948. The Lyons Club gave us \$500. We have no outstanding invoices to pay. Coaches will begin buying equipment soon so expenses starting.

Athletic Director Report: Louie Walters

All things seem to be moving in the right direction. The first sports practice is on Monday with 36 cross country runners signed up. Gretchen, Todd, Weiner, Neil, Mike H. will be out there. Two weeks until their first meet. Football started and then slowed down and stated back up again today. Soccer begins conditioning in two weeks.

Louie is meeting with Sean Coyne and Mike Smith. They are worried about the upper fields which are getting mowed but not maintained. We have squirrel issues and storm damage.

Linda Benko question: What is happening with the golf season? Louie Walters's response: They have been moved to Season 2 which lines up with CCS and will be equitable. There are some Title 9 concerns because boys could go but girls couldn't because the boys line up with CCS. Track doesn't have a venue. SJ City or Gilroy are possibilities but nobody has taken it on.

Numbers are looking better and we should be out of purple tier and be in red by end of next week.

Todd and Gretchen will collect participation donations for cross country. We can wait and see on other sports.

County structured seasons with no end date. Volleyball is supposed to start on 3/1 but if not in right color tier, can wait until get into right tier. Can have practice but no games.

FamilyID is up and running and working out well.

Lorraine Strassman question: Are there coaches for all Season 2 sports? Louie Walters response: Not sure about track yet. For swim, they are hoping Mike Ayers will do it and that the SLV pool work will be finished

Football: we follow state guidelines for bars & restaurants – 50% indoors in the red

Vanda Cash question: Do the runners have to wear masks? Louie Walters response: Not when they are running.

Patti Erickson question: Is it possible to get kids to help maintain fields as community service? Neil Aratin response: If coach signs off on it, that is ok. Need to be supervised. (Note: Coach Sean Coyne thought it was a great idea.)

The only sports Louie is worried about are gym sports. Neil doesn't see wrestling happening. Girls' volleyball has 45 kids wanting to play. Might have to alternate days.

People will be presenting proposal to eliminate colored tiers for youth sports but most of decisions are out of our hands.

Website: Maria Torchio Gauthier

No update

Drive for Schools and Goodwill Donation Drives: Lorraine Strassman

We filled 2 trucks on January 30 with 90 vehicles dropping things off. Lorraine had to send away vehicles at the end. They also filled 3 private vehicles to get goods off campus. Our contact at Goodwill indicated we would likely get the entire amount of \$1,000. The driver from Goodwill phoned Lorraine on Sunday with 2 trucks but Lorraine said no because no volunteers. Another drive is scheduled for April 24 with 4 trailers across 2 days and volunteers will be needed.

Banners: Amanda Gundersen

No Update.

Golf Tournament:

Question: Are we doing the Golf Tournament? It typically raises \$15 to 20k and April 30 is Kelly Weaver's date. Response: Todd will check on the plans and the date with Kelly.

Hall of Fame:

No update.

Membership: Heidi Reynolds

No update.

President's Report: Todd Hoffman/all

Todd will reach out to SVSC to get an update from Corbin and Allison.

Conclusion/Wrap Up:

Coaches' pay: Some coaches have been doing off campus things for teams. If they are doing conditioning, should be paid for that. Per Louie, some schools are paying coaches regardless of a season for first 2 seasons due to time devoted to conditioning. Chrissie Reynolds asked for an estimate of what stipends will be. Will the district be contributing to coaches' stipends? Need district commitment. Neil will follow up on this with District. Last year, we decided to pay the coaches when seasons were cancelled but we need an estimate of what that would be this year if it came to that.

Participation Donations: Do we ask for them now? Is there a league fee? Officials' fees? So much is unknown at this point in time. For Participation donations, part goes to the general fund for these types of fees and part goes to the team. For the golf tournament proceeds, it can all be used for stipends. Our gate loss is a significant hit to the budget. We need to recruit team parents who can help collect participation donations. We can use PayPal but not Venmo.

Miscellaneous: Mike Smith gave Linda 40 men's XL coach shirts and she didn't want to give to Goodwill. Todd said she could give shirts to him and he can help distribute them. Todd and Linda need to meet to look through Bingo stuff. Mike is working on that.

Next Falcon Club meeting: Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7 p.m. via Zoom

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

