

October 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Call NAB Meeting to order on October 13, 2021 at 6:41 PM in Room 198-C

Welcome, Introductions, Sign-In

Secretary's Report/Minutes Review-Jamie Young:

Motion to Approve September Minutes: <u>Carrie Modreski</u> Second: <u>Carol Aurilia</u> Approved: <u>YES</u>

Treasurer's Report- Tim Beaty:

Motion to Approve September Report: Carrie Modreski Second: Hemant Sardar Approved: YES

- -Things are back on track and on target so that board can reevaluate the budget.
- -Golf event did very well and exceed projected expectations.
- -Concessions is doing very well and are exceeding expectations.
- -Payouts will take place next month.
- *Questions:
- Q. Is proposed budget items for month or year?

A. Year

President's Report-Sheri VanKirk:

- *Winter Grants: deadline is Nov. 1st to apply for a grant coaches MUST have BOTH an attending team rep and committee chair.
- *Questions:
- Q. What is the grant budget?

A. \$4,000.00 per season

Athletic Director's Report-Don Watchowski:

*Fall Season Review: Fall Coaches were asked to report the following: (1)How many levels in their program & number of participants on each team. (2) Varsity Only- Current/Overall Record (3)Varsity Only- Current KLAA Record. (4) Varsity Only- Current KLAA Standing. (5) Varsity Only- Rivalry Game Result (Novi vs Northville). (6) Varsity Only- Team Season Highlights thus far. (7) Varsity Only- Season Highlights thus far. (8) Special Awards. (9) MHSAA Tournament Results or Future Outlook. (10) Varsity Only- 2022 Nest Season Optimism & Outlook (only to be answered if season is complete)

-Cheerleading (Sideline): (1) 18 on Varsity, 10 on JV and 16 middle school (2) n/a (3) n/a (4) n/a (5) n/a (6)Each year numbers have grown along with skill level. On the varsity team of 18 we have 4 one legged extensions, 4 cradle twist, 18 back walk overs, 17 front walkovers, 17 back handsprings, and 5 standing back tucks (7 back tucks in running tumbling passes). (7) n/a (8) Will be announced in a couple of weeks; closer to the end of season. (9) n/a (10) As we continue to build we are hoping to use our growth in numbers and skills to set expectations for future teams.

-Boys Cross Country: (1) 36 varsity (2) 4- 3 duals. 2nd place Lamplighter Invite, 1st place South Lyon Invite. (3) same as answer 2. (4) 4th in division, Probably 5th in KLAA if they ranked it. (5) Tough Loss yesterday. Northville ranked #3 but beat Brighton last week. (6) South Lyon Invite win and exciting 1 point win over topped ranked Hartland. (7) Mihir Gupta and Griffin Conway placing 1-2 in both



Lamplighter Invite & South Lyon Invite. (8) There will be many! (9) Ranked top 10-15 in the State currently! (10) n/a

-Girls Cross Country: (1) 24 total: Varsity & JV the team competes as one team (2) Placed 5th at MSU Invite (out of 20+ teams), Placed 6th at the Hanson Invite, and placed 14th at Oakland County (out of 36 teams). (3) 0-5 (4) not yet known (5) lost to Northville (6) TBD (7) TBD (8) TBD (9) Heading into reginal meet & conference meet and with optimism & excitement. There is a chance (and hoping to) to qualify for states. (10) n/a

-Equestrian: (1) Varsity 7 (2) 8th among B division teams in MHSAA district 1 (3) same as answer 2 (4) MHSAA district 1 8th place (5) n/a..... every meet has 8 B size (5-10 rider) teams from area schools (6) Three new riders, 4 returning riders. Lots of great individual results in events like equitation over fences (jumping)- 1st place for Izzy Okumura & 2nd and 6th place for Meaghan Tunney. New senior rider: Maddie Stowitts earned varsity letter. 3 long 12 hour meets. Only one with rain where riders had to navigate through muddy swampy flooded dirt area, First year that there were 8 B sized teams. (7) High Point earners Izzy Okumura and Meaghan Tunney; points also earned by Sydney Ruskin, Tabitha Long and Maddie Stowitts in individual events. (9) n/a (10) Will lose 2 riders next year so which level A through B we will compete in is still TBA. Super Proud of our riders & their control of their horses in some very crowded events & very slippery conditions. Fantastic teamwork and spirit! Walked in the homecoming Parade for the first time; decorated team member lockers & look forward to growing the program next year!

<u>-Field Hockey:</u> (1) JV 16, Varsity 20 (2) 6-7-2 (3) n/a (4) n/a (5) n/a (6) Varsity had an amazing trip to Pittsburgh. Girls were amazing ambassadors for Novi. 2 bid wins, 1 loss; got to tour the Pitts campus and had great team bonding. We have a tremendous senior class with great character. (7) Our seniors are positive, drama-free, hardworking, inclusive, kind, competitive, couldn't ask for a better group! (8) Not yet (9) First game will be Tuesday Oct. 2th (10) We really hope to add middle school field hockey and make our high school team an official school funded sport.

<u>-Football:</u> Coach Spark was in attendance and gave report; thank you to the concession & tailgate volunteers. Thank you to the Boosters for the grant. Very happy with the season! There is 40 players on varsity, over 30 on JV and 27 on freshmen; about 100 in the program! Middle School team beat Northville 49-7! Varsity is 4 and 3 working on making the playoffs and looking to win the Jug this Friday! JV was 3-2-2 and Freshmen were 4-3 both wining records! Thank you everyone for their support and looking forward to helping with the craft show.

-Girls Golf: (1) 23 girls all who will return next year! (2) 2-5 (3) 2-5 (4) 5th (6) n/a rain out (7) Team low score of 176 (8) Saanvi Mulapudi made the all conference team. (9) Finished 6th at regionals. (10) Have top talent returning.

<u>-Poms (Sideline)</u>: Winter sport but goes almost all year round. Camp was successful and preparing for high kick camp Nov. 7th. Regionals will be January 20th and States will be February 22nd.

<u>-Boys Soccer:</u> (1) 3 teams- 70 participates Total; Varsity 25, JV Green 22, and added this year JV White 23. (2) 6-3-6 (3) 6-3-6 (4) 4th place KLAA West (5) First game Tie 0-0. Second game Lost 2-0 (6) Ranked in the Top 15 of Division 1most of the season. (7) Boris Turner leads the team with 9 goals. Miguel Aguirre Del Valle has 5 goals & 5 assists. (8) Have not yet been determined (9) First State Playoff Game this Thursday Oct. 14th at CC 7pm (10) Season not complete yet

-Girls Swim & Dive: (1) Varsity 40-45 (2) 3-4 (3) 2-4 (4) 4th (5) Beat Northville (6) 6th at Oakland County. Kotoko Blair doue winner 50 and 100 free. Several qualifiers for States. (7) n/a (8) n/a (9) n/a (10) n/a



-Boys Tennis: (1) Varsity 18 and JV 26 (2) 14-1 (3) 8-0 (4) 1st (5) Won Division Match Up (6) Won Pioneer Tourney, 2nd in Novi Quad and Novi Invite, Won Regionals over Northville and CC, currently ranked 3rd in State! (7) 6/8 Flights were seeded 4 or higher in the State with 1S being 6th and 1D just missed a seed. (8) n/a (9)Kalamazoo meet this weekend and looking to doing well. (10) Always to beat Northville!

<u>-Volleyball:</u> (1) Varsity 13, JV 12, Freshmen 12 (2) 21-7 (3) 7-0 (4) 1st place (5) Coming up next Tuesday! (6) Ranked #7 in the state of Michigan (7) n/a (8) n/a (9) Districts first week of November, expected outcome: win districts! (10) n/a

*Concessions

- -Upcoming MHSAA Events:
- +Soccer Regionals, Oct. 26th (5pm/7pm) & Oct. 28th (7pm) at Meadows
- +Volleyball Regionals, Nov. 9th (5:30pm/7pm) & Nov. 11th (6pm) at NHS
- +Soccer Finals, Nov. 6th (12pm/3pm) at NHS
- +Football Semifinals, Nov. 20th (TBD) at NHS

*Winter Sports:

- -1st Practice/Tryouts Dates (information will go out within the next 2 weeks)
- +Nov.1st Ski, Gymnastics, Ice Hockey
- +Nov. 8th Girls Basketball, Competitive Cheer
- +Nov. 15th Boys Basketball, Wrestling, Ski, Bowling
- +Nov. 22nd Boys Swim & Dive

*Questions/Comments:

- -There are a lot of questions of what the winter season will look like concerning masks. As long as the policy is in place Novi will continue to require masks at indoor events. If a host school does not it is left up to the participant.
- -Last year wrestling was tested for covid and might have to continue to do so.
- -Question: Will the fall sport review be shared posted online via school/athletics?

Answer: As of now no but looking into how they can.

Please note: The fall sport review will be recorded in the NAB Meeting minutes that will be shared via email to team reps. Minutes are also posted and archived to the NAB website.

-Question: Will rosters be at home events?

Answer: Working on it! Also looking into possible tech such as QR codes.

-Question: Does Bordercross have a coach?

Answer: No. looking for one & it will be posted within two weeks to the Oakland schools site.

-Currently working on sorting true club sports vs groups acting as club sports who should be listed as interest groups. Will have sorted by Nov. 1st.

Committee Reports:

A. Charity Mania- Carol Aurilia

- *Sales Goal 2 tickets per athlete which would generate a \$30,000.00 profit! Easy fundraiser just need to promote it! NAB has posted the information to social media so please share it!
- *Teams get \$10.00 per ticket sold!
- *Football, Pom & Baseball are selling well so please make sure to share the information with your team! Can sell during any season and will still count towards your teams goal!



- B. Community Rewards-Tierra Turner
- *Flyer in back- Sign up and pass on! Flyer also posted to NAB website and will post to NAB social media sites.
- *Have seen increase but can do better.
 - C. Concessions Chris Krall & Carol Aurilia
- *Very busy but that is a good thing and things are going good!
- *Almost all MSHAA events open but filling in.
- *Did a walk through for future concession stand (set to begin 2 falls from now) to address needs. Project will address stand needs along with bathrooms, catrack & entrance needs.
 - D. Craft Beer / Wine Night Out Karan Beaty & Diane Kuzma
- *Looking into event locations such as 5th Avenue of Novi and vendors.
 - E. Craft Show Sheri VanKirk Saturday, October 23rd
- *Almost 200 crafters.
- *Have made just under \$21,000.00 (with roll overs).
- *Limited concessions inside but will have food trucks!
- *Catrack will be open!!
- *Entrance change: Now enter by the preschool
- *Spread the word!
- *Event information on NAB facebook check out for vendor highlights!
 - F. Directories- Pati Church
- *Chair questions for Board: Q. Will cost of directory be kept at \$6.00 A. No, it will have to increase due to square fees. Q. Can square be set up for directory sales. A. Yes, looking into the best option they provide.
- *Link will be available via Friday emails/Final forms and/or peach jar.
- *Working to finalize and finish up.
 - G. Golf Outing- Mike Thompson (absent; report sent via email)
- *Outing was a HUGE success and raised \$6,582.00.
- *Ideas for next year & plan on the event getting bigger each year.
- *Mike did a great job and the event was a lot of fun!
- *20 teams including athletes and coaches! Held a 50/50 raffle and enjoyed a nice dinner.
- *Question: A lot of teams hold their own events; can we consolidate? A. This an ongoing problem that really seen an uptick due to covid. Trying to get that back to normal as it will benefit all to work together!
 - H. NAB Scholarships- Angie Shires
- *Planning committee is looking for 4 volunteers. No senior parents; junior or younger.
- *Chair shadow also needed. Please see Angie Shires if interested or to learn more!
 - I. NAB Website/Social Media- Willy Mena & Elisa Endress
- *Website (Willy); A lot of updates were made last year and all flyers are current but always looking for current pictures.
- *Social Media (Elisa); on facebook follow us! Is kept well updated! Send Elisa any flyers or event information you would like posted.
 - J. Restaurant Fundraising- Pati Harpenau (absent; report sent via email)
- *Working on fundraisers with Blaze Pizza and Noodles & Company for October & November, Once set will email dates & times. Also looking to plan some events for December & January.



- K. Spirit Wear- Rob Armstrong
- *Have acheck for about \$1,800.00 coming soon.
- *Store will be open at the Craftshow!
 - L. Sports Pass-Amy Matas (absent; report sent via email)
- *Purchases have slowed down now that fall sports are underway but an upswing is expected as winter sports start.
- *Amy will be reaching out to winter team reps to advise their families that Amy will be attending their "first home games" of the season to sell passes on site. Amy will work with the AD office to create a schedule & will send this information out via Final Forms.
- *Question: What is covered by the pass? A. Novi Home Game Entrance Fees
 - M. Sports Program Jamie Young, Mark Tobias, Susan Vargas & Carrie Modreski
- *Fall program is at print and will be delivered next week.
- *Winter Good Luck Ad Flyer will be sent with the Nov. Meeting Reminder; Please pass onto your teams!
- *Earn Money for your team and sell ad space in the sports program! Please see flyer in back! Great way to earn extra money for your team!
- *Looking for 1-2 volunteers to join the team next year. Shadow is needed for Jamie.
- *Question: Can Band Boosters help/work with team to sell scoreboard ads? A. Yes, we would be happy to work something out!
 - N. TasteFest-Julie Londo
- *Successful night! Had 4 food trucks but will need a couple more next year. Great community support including those who did not attend the game. Inside vendors did well along with the Fun Zone and raffle. Weather was great.
- *1 event Sponsor: Escaperoom; Please support them & when doing so please thank them for supporting the event.
- *Next year will address re entry.
 - O. Wildcat Elementary Night- Chair Needed
- *Girls Swim & Dive was chairing this event. Team Rep please confirm that they still would like to provide a chair for this committee as committee should be well underway.
 - P. Other....

Hot Topics/ New Business/Ideas-Questions:

- *Question: Who does the 50/50 raffle at the football games A. Band Boosters
- *Question: What will be done with the NAB golf cart? A. Not sure, as it needs work done to it.
- *Banquets held at Novi High School will require masks. Held at non NCSD will depend on vendor. Events held outside at NCSD will be optional.
- *NAB has discussed adding a Banquet Chair who would/could negotiate deals for teams and who could compose a list of preferred vendors for the teams. If you are interested, please reach out to a board member.

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:34 PM



2021-2022 Upcoming NAB Meeting Schedule:

November 10
December 8
January- NO MEETING
February 9
March 9
April 13
May 11
June 8
July- NO MEETING

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