

MEIC
Meeting Minutes 8-31-2011

Tim Henderson welcomed parents to the first meeting of MEIC for the 2011-2012 school year at 7:10 pm. He shared the purpose of supporting the baseball teams of Marietta High School through donations, fundraisers and volunteer work.

Officers were introduced.

Tim Henderson – President

Jeff DeJarnett – Vice President

Ray Wilson - Treasurer

Maureen Friese – Secretary

Neil Moore – Program Ads Director

Dan Zammit – Facilities Director

Coach Stafford thanked parents for attending. He is very excited with the group of boys playing baseball this year. The fall season has several purposes.

1. Provide opportunities for a competitive environment, Development of skills, Chance to play together, and promote Marietta baseball in the area.
2. Utilize the facilities: Perfect Game, Team Elite is running exposure tournaments and MHS is one of the sites, our sons get discounts from Team Elite on small group instruction. Junior Varsity, JV, will be playing the local high school league and Varsity will be playing Team Elite travel teams.
3. Team Elite will provide a chance for our players to play during non-Marietta games.
4. Fall season only runs Monday through Thursday of each week (3 days for most players).
5. This partnership with Team Elite will be part of our fund raising by providing Team Elite with a tournament site.

6. Students can attend tutoring after school and then go to practice. Players can attend speed and agility opportunities after school before practice when they are offered.
7. Information will come from Coach Stafford through Tim Henderson. Any changes in the schedule will be highlighted on future correspondence.
8. Season should end early November, unless it is necessary to end earlier.
9. Coach Stafford will be monitoring player grades so that he can encourage them to help themselves with tutoring, etc.
10. Players should take the initiative with communication with coach. Time commitment, work ethic should be their responsibility. Let them learn from mistakes they make by not taking action.
11. If there is a conflict with scheduled baseball events, email the coach and let him know that your child will not be at an event.
12. Physicals are not mandatory for Fall, but coach wants athletes to get their physicals completed, which are mandatory for Spring baseball.
13. Except for Labor Day, coach doesn't schedule holiday games. Spring break, the boys will have the first 3-4 days off, and then they will practice at the end of the break.

Budget

Our fiscal year runs from June 1- May 31. Fund raising is our largest source of income. We need the involvement of everyone.

Tim showed the current financial sheet. Our current balance is \$34,723.18. Our current debt on the batting facility is \$48,410.85. We are in year four and are trying to accelerate paying off the debt for the batting facility.

Expenditures (See budget sheet for specifics.)

1. The budget was discussed for priority 1, 2, and 3 items.
2. Some of the budgeted items are quotes and some are researched figures.
3. Booster clubs pay for Letterman jackets at MHS.
4. We are adding some expenses for Fall baseball to keep costs down to the players.

5. Total expenses for 2011-2012: \$39,313.

Income: Fundraisers

1. Perfect game netted \$11,535.
2. We have a debt reserve of \$10,000 that we will not touch.
3. It was suggested to decide paydown on mortgage in May to see how the budget progresses.

A motion was made to accept the budget for 2011-2012. The motion was seconded. The 2011-2012 MEIC budget was passed.

Fundraisers:

Fundraisers are a means to reduce or eliminate the fees for playing baseball. The officers track each fundraiser and the contribution of each player.

Players can opt to roll fall fees into the player contribution. Please get your name to Tim Henderson if you are interested in rolling in fall fees.

Summer Tournaments: Each player's contribution is based on amount of involvement of their family members during the tournaments.

Pancake breakfast: 100% of each ticket sold in Oct/Nov go toward each players contribution. MEIC is requesting students to sell 30- \$5 tickets this year. **Jeff DeJarnett would like someone to work with him this year, since his son is a senior. Talk with Jeff or Tim Henderson if you are interested.**

Poinsettias (Nov) and Coca Cola (Jan/Feb): Based on profit from sales. **Talk to Tim Henderson if you are interested in helping coordinate either of these fundraisers.**

Program Ad: Based on % of the ad sale (Feb)

Player Sponsorship: 100% of the donated amount will be assigned to the player contribution. (Jan)

Pine Straw and Fall Tournaments: Shared equally

Coca Cola sales will last about 2 weeks. It was suggested that we explore using the Coca Cola sales year round in the future. Marietta City Schools currently has a drink contract with Coca Cola.

Other Programs where we need help coordinating:

Concessions: Michele Ambio is coordinating but would like more help

Banquets: (Kick-Off and Spring) Colonel Wilson, Martie Moore, and Heather Steele volunteered to coordinate, **but will welcome more help.**

Senior Night: (15 min pregame event) **Need Volunteer(s)**

Pregame Meals: Food needs to be at the school by 4:30 on game nights. **Need Volunteer(s)**

Website: John Marletta

Communications: Tim will communicate to parents and players using email and text message option.

Email is a must for players and parents.

Text Messaging is a must for players and parents signing up is optional. Time will email the link to the website.

Since there was no new business, Tim Henderson thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

