



# Cuthbertson Athletic Booster Club

## 4/25/2022 General Meeting Minutes

Attendance: CABC Executive Board, Mr. Blackwell, Ms. Palmer, 7 additional attendees  
Dave call meeting to order 6:08pm

### Heidi Inman Financial report:

- All sports for the year have been paid, all finances is paying out expenses
- Financial update \$104,728.77 general fund, Capital fund \$14,175.72
- transfer funds monthly on the 13th of \$2100 from general to capital fund to go towards light payment
- Expenses going to be paid this week \$9483.65
- Sales Tax 7/1/2021-12/31/21 should be getting back \$3078

### David

- Light update-Discussion with Mr. Camp April 15, 2022 we offered \$1750 month original agreement was \$4200/month Mr. Camp stated would not change terms. We re-worked the financials as a board to cut cost to reach that \$4200/month we would have to remove the costs of field maintenance of the HS fields. If we did that we could pay \$4030/month. If we cut the cost of just the baseball and softball we could make payment of \$3300/month. During conversation to Mr. Camp upfront payment of \$15,000 and \$3300/month with removal of baseball and softball field maintenance. Mr. Camp responded the following Thursday and stated "After discussing the loan delinquency with our financial board we have decided not to discuss any payment term changes until the past due amount with interest is paid up through May 1<sup>st</sup> 2022. Let me know if you have any other questions." He is expecting us to make payments of \$4200/month going back to November of 2020, for a total back payment of \$79,800.00 we do not have that funding available. We will have to discuss the field maintenance with school administration. We have informed Mr. Camp that we are in a criminal lawsuit where \$80,000.00 is missing. \$3300/month would put us at a 4 ½ year payment plan
- Heidi- we mentioned to Mr. Camp, consider us to pay \$3300 until September 1, 2022 when we have completed one fiscal year. We state that we would give lump sums with our sales tax returns and also if we receive a settlement of restitution from Mr. Hedin, we would use that as additional lump sum payments. We would use additional payments to pay down the principle.
- Investigation update-Mr. Hedins house went for sale and is under contract, we would like to settle and the ADA would like to settle with proven facts. More charges have been brought to the table and the ADA has discussed them with Mr. Hedin's legal counsel
- Plan to implement gate fees for CMS sports played on the CHS campus CABC will charge for any CMS sports played on the CHS fields
- Elections for 2022-2023 school year Vice President and Secretary positions are open. We have a nomination committee which will receive the applications, review and interview the candidates. Once the committee has completed their interviews they will inform the CABC secretary of who to put on the ballot. Elections will be held at our annual meeting May 16th 6pm CHS media center. The nomination committee will run the elections that night. Members with voting status will vote. The nomination committee is a non bias CABC member with voting status
- From the floor- do you need a quorum for the election? No we do not only if we were amending a bylaw.
- The VP and Secretary positions are open because the prior board members in those positions resigned and David as president appointed Anne and Donna for a one year term to complete the board.

Anne (Donna spoke in Anne's absence)

- As mentioned will collect fees for CMS sports played on CHS fields. We currently collect for CMS football and track when events are at the stadium. Come the fall we will collect \$2-\$3 admission for all CMS sports. Some fields are difficult to collect as we can not block off areas. If people decide to walk through the back to avoid us we are not going to track them down. The fees collected for that sport will be revenue for that sport.
- Preseason workouts for fall sports Anne has been working with the Football commissioner to set up offsite workouts as UCPS states we cannot workout on UCPS grounds when not in season.
- Online store is open- it is open for an additional two week then will be closed. Our square online store with on hand items is always open.
- Election Nomination committee. Members have been asked to serve on the committee as they will accept the applications/interview and run the elections May 16th at our final meeting of the year. Applications will be accepted until May 2nd, the committee will review and interview candidates 3rd-9th and the members will receive email with the candidates and bios a week before the annual meeting where the ballots will be casted for the candidates.
- Sports interest meeting for rising 6th graders May 19th
- Membership is closed right now until after the elections.

Questions from the floor

Do you contact the elementary school principals? Yes they received emails of all the sports interest meetings.

Can you sponsor just for the baseball field? We sponsor for all fields but not for specific fields.

Mr. Mack states we do not do a good enough job in getting sponsors to the local businesses. He states Marvin Ridge has 46 sponsorship banners. CABC-We do not have a sponsorship chair. This year the four of us were, the sponsorship committee. Anne took the reins and really got many of the sponsors. For a group of four people who took over from not having anything given to them we were grateful to have the 11 sponsors.

Mr. Blackwell- in five years he has only seen one fundraiser done by the CABC. Donna I know you have put together a group to fundraise for lacrosse so it can be done.

Anne looked into doing a fundraiser this past February but it was short notice and lack of volunteers to assist as it has just been the four of us. Anne has done an amazing job in organizing and setting up the interview for all the coaches. Fall sports coaches are all in place and there are 12 of them.

Heidi- Making connections in the community. We live in a transplant area and some do not have the connections. We need a better working relationship with parents of the ms and the hs. Families at the HS may have more connections or business that we do not know about. We need to have a better working relationship with CMS and CHS families. With, what has happened in the past has left a bad taste in the mouth of everyone. People are having a hard time volunteering, donating money etc asking where it is going.

Mr. Mack agrees to work together. If you need a fundraising chair put the bait out stating what the duties include. Do not ask for a general volunteer. CABC- we did ask for a specific chair during all

our CMS interest meetings. We do not have a way of getting in contact with the CHS families. This last sports interest meeting we did not discuss chair positions opening due to membership being closed and you need to be a voting member to be a chair.

Mr. Mack get people excited to get involved.

Is there a flier with sponsorships and who to contact. CABC yes we have it and it is also on the website

Does a sponsorship go to the general fund or for a specific sport? If a fundraiser is specific to lights you could probably get volunteers and sponsors for that. CABC- we did discuss if baseball did a fundraiser we would put for the lights. Traditionally it would go to the general fund.

Mr. Blackwell: At the HS level the fundraisers are split 50/50 for the first fundraisers. Team fundraising will no longer occur. The hs will run a fall and spring event. Teams will be encouraged to use lending tree. Also to run a camp for elementary school/middle school for HS fundraiser.

From the floor would like to do a hs fundraiser for the lights, it would have to go through the CABC and would have to discuss it with Mr. Blackwell.

The CABC would deposit into an account just for the baseball/softball fundraisers.

Hosting summer camps Mr. Blackwell would have to have a rental agreement of a facility rental. Would also have insurance.

MS volleyball coach would like to host a camp for volleyball and have it anywhere he can put a net up. Will look into running it through the CABC.

Mr. Blackwell states the HS students run clinics for the younger athletes not for HS students. Cheer does it on a Saturday and then they perform for their parents.

Middle school clinics run through CABC and do a facility agreement vs rental and use our insurance. Who would attend so it is not considered preseason workouts. It would have to be off campus if having middle school athletes. If not preseason but a camp could we use the facility. Ms. Palmer said they did not do that to keep fields in good condition. The CABC will have to look into the situation deeper.

From the floor let's plan for the future and start getting sponsors. All the levels of the sponsorship are on the website. CMS CABC coaches fundraise and those funds will go towards that team. They can spend it how they will want to spend within reason

The Athletic barn refused to give us a sponsorship. We are encouraging to ask for sponsorships from places they utilize.

Looking for someone to organize so the same businesses are not being asked multiple times. Make it a committee, including getting gift cards for raffles

Mr. Mack states we need to network. As long as rules are followed as non profit we are looking for help. CABC is asking for volunteers but what are you looking for. Anne offered to sit with Mr. Mack. The CABC constantly asks for volunteers.

From the floor: At the HS parent meeting to discuss what the CABC does and what does it cover. The CABC has a challenge of getting communication to the HS parents. We want to discuss how we support the Middle vs the HS.

Anne is the liaison to the CABC and the Coaches. She has set up a bridge of the coaches of the MS and HS. How do we get in touch with the parents of the HS athletes. It is difficult to communicate with them. We have a min membership level of \$25 which is a donation. We have ask Mr. Blackwell to inform the coaches and encourage the parents of the HS athletes to donate as we do pay for the fields at the HS which all outdoor sports utilize. Currently there are approximately 3 families of the 60+ athletes on the HS softball/baseball teams that have purchased a level of CABC Membership. Difficult to open the communication with the HS families.

Ms. McKinney states yes the HS coaches should relay that to the HS families at their meeting and help the families understand what the CABC does. Mr. McKinney states an email from the coach is the first email that a parent reads.

HS Lacrosse has a parent group 2 moms from each grade and do all the communications and fundraising. Multiple parents helps distributes the duties.

David states many members do not know what CABC does.

From the floor: with level of membership you received game pass. Why not do that again? When the CABC did that with the Blue and Gold level membership the CABC gave money to the HS for the annual passes. Mr. Blackwell now does Hometown ticketing and seasonal pass as admission fees are a huge revenue for the HS. The CABC will have to work with Mr. Blackwell on including a seasonal pass. We will have to explore it.

Link HS registration to CABC Membership with a link for family ID so they have an option to join and a description of the levels.

Looking into how to pay via family ID, while waiting for that can we link our square site?

From the floor. If you play a Middle school sport can a membership be included?  
Due to quorum if we have 800+ members and we need a vote to change for example the bylaws we would never meet quorum to do so. Even with the minimal membership now many do not participate.

We want every athlete to have a voice. \$75 is the least expensive to have voting right.

From the floor: Can we have a group HS/MS coaching meeting to get to know each other.

Sponsorships are the banners and the perks and fundraising we would like to two big fundraisers for the CABC per year. Volunteer energy would be more involved within the team as a team effort.

Create committees for sponsorship and fundraising. Gather your friends and make it an event. Two chairs and then create a committee.

What the positions are and the duties and get the word out there. Preparing for the fall sports and we will be in a better position than last year.

Going to try to charge admission \$2/\$3 and it will go to that sport but it is difficult to block off and visiting teams need to be notified. Ms. Palmer can assist with notifying the visiting teams.

Next general meeting will be our last meeting of the year May 16, 2022

David adjourns meeting 7:50pm