

Barnstormer Booster Club Meeting Minutes
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Meeting Subject Attendance 30

General meeting

Location	Date	Start Time	End Time
Clipper Magazine Stadium	9/22/09	6:38 p.m.	7:30 p.m.

Objective

To provide committee updates to the general members

Meeting Notes/ Agenda Items

1. Welcome – Jerry Kipphorn
2. Call to order
3. Introduction- Lancaster Barnstormer Representative
 - a. Kristen Simon
4. Frank Greenwood and Evelyn Lefever made the motion to approve the July 14, 2009 minutes. The entire Club approved the motion.
5. Treasurer's report – Deb Heisey
 - a. General Fund
 - i. Balance \$2,020.43
 - ii. Checks
 1. \$433.50 to Darrenkamps for Subs
 2. \$99.23 to Giant for the Player Meal
 - iii. Check Card Items
 1. \$266.80 to Pin Pros for the Membership Pins
 - iv. Interest - \$0.10
 - b. Activities Account
 - i. Balance \$963.19
 - c. \$25.00 is kept in Cash Bag during the season as change for the table.
 - d. Dave Bertzfield and Olivia Lancaster made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report and the entire Club approved the motion.
6. Historical Committee – Jerry Kipphorn on behalf of Barb & Jeff Rule
 - a. The committee submitted documents on LBBBC letterhead for the Lancaster Barnstormers time capsule. The documentation included photos of the first LBBBC board members, a membership pin from 2008, the 2008 issues of the *Cowbell* and letter to "future" Lancaster fans and club members highlighting our mission and activities during the first two years of the LBBBC. While they hope to see many of the same activities carried on through the years, it will be exciting to see how the club evolves in its service to Lancaster baseball.

7. Membership – Vicki Sauders
 - a. 132 Members
 - b. Members can pick up their 2009 Membership pins from Wes Kurtz.
 - c. Wes Kurtz presented the 2010 pin challenge. This challenge will take submissions by members for ideas for the 2010 membership pin. Submissions may be sent by email, mail or handed in by the November 17th General Membership Meeting. Please note that the Lancaster Barnstormers and the Lancaster Barnstormers Baseball Booster Club Logo(s) may not be modified in any way and the designs submitted become the property of the LBBBC.
8. Charitable – Mindy Reed and Olivia Lancaster
 - a. Cardboard 2 Leather update.
 - i. Orioles Advocates were at Clipper Magazine Stadium on Wednesday, August 19.
 - ii. Mindy Reed read the thank you letter that was received from John Ross, the President of the Orioles Advocates,
 - iii. A formal thank you letter will be sent to SALSA, East Petersburg youth Baseball and Softball Association, Ephrata Baseball Association and Mountville Baseball for their contributions.
 - b. Lancaster Project for the Needy
 - i. It is not too early to start thinking about our volunteer efforts on December 24th in an effort to aid in the food distribution. Members who are interested in helping were provided with a sign-up sheet. The sheet will be available at the upcoming General Membership meetings as well.
 - c. You and Me on a Comeback
 - i. The Board approved the Club support of another charitable organization. The organization is founded by one of our own players, Jed Morris. Jed is working with the Chief Oncologist and the head of the United Auxiliary at Lancaster General. The Board wrote a letter to both parties and Mindy Reed read the letter to the membership. The Clubs efforts are through manpower rather than monetary.
 - ii. Jed Morris also presented his story and what his organization is setting out to do through a survivorship program. The program will look to the club for support of doing things such as driving patients to and from treatments, sitting with the survivors, playing games with them and also preparing healthy meals based upon set guidelines.
 - d. Cell Phones for Soldiers
 - i. Just a reminder to pick up the mailers and send in any old cell phones.
9. Communications & Website – Laurie Fuller
 - a. Laurie will place links to the You and Me on a Comeback foundation website and the link to the news piece by Channel 21 on the Club website.

- b. The deadline for the December *Cowbell* is November 30.
- c. The March deadline will be February 28.
- d. Please keep contributions to 500 words or less please. Members are encouraged to provide contributions as well. The contributions can be submitted through Mindy Reed or through the info link on the website.
- e. The next season edition will be in April, the deadline for that edition is March 31.
- f. The Facebook page has been set up. All members are invited to visit the page and post something to the wall periodically to help keep the content fresh. Please post items that are baseball related or items that members may be interested in.

10. Finance – Deb Heisey – No additional news

11. Activities – Vicki Sauders

- a. The Camden Bus trip was a success. We are looking at returning next year and possibly adding some additional things like the aquarium which is near Campbell's Field.
- b. The winner of the ceremonial first pitch at York on September 13 was Rose McNaught.
- c. There will be an end-of-year covered dish picnic on Saturday, October 10 from 12 to 3 at the stadium. The event will be rain (in the Wheatland Suite) or shine (in the Picnic Area). Please RSVP to the info link by October 1.
- d. The deadline for the Dutch Apple gathering is October 30.
- e. The Club will be going bowling on January 16th at Leisure Lanes. Please arrive at 5:45 p.m. Cost is \$3.50 per game.
- f. A bus trip to Cooperstown was presented. It will be a two-day trip. The Membership voted by a show of hands that the best weekend would be Columbus Day Weekend (Oct. 9th and 10th) rather than the following weekend. Estimated cost for members will be \$193.00 per person for double occupancy, \$179.00 per person for triple occupancy, \$169.00 per person for quad occupancy and \$249.00 for single occupancy. The trip will be open to the public, but the non-member cost will be \$215.00 per person for double occupancy, \$200.00 per person for triple occupancy, \$190.00 per person for quad occupancy and \$270.00 for single occupancy. The prices include: motor coach transportation, 1 night lodging, and admission to Howe Caverns, The National Baseball Hall of Fame, Fly Creek Cider Mill, Dinner at Big Brooks BBQ and 1 breakfast. Gratuity is not included. A minimum of 30 people is needed for the trip to operate. A deposit of \$100 will be due by July 9, 2010 and the balance will be due by August 10, 2010.

12. Governing Documents – Deb Heisey

- a. A Letter of Resignation was received from Cindy Geib effective immediately. The Board accepted the letter via email vote. A Letter of Acceptance will be sent to Cindy.

- b. Deb Heisey requested assistance from the membership for the documents
 - c. The deadline for the Board to review the *Board of Directors Conflicts of Interest Policy* will be extended to November 1, to allow for it to be reviewed with the By-Laws.
13. Player Liaison – Kelley Breniser/Deb Greenwood/Olivia Lancaster
- a. The Board approved the solicitation of restaurants to donate one meal per month for the players in 2010. Also, the option of another meal will be explored with YTI and Vo-Tech to see if they are willing to donate a meal as well. The Club will still purchase one main meal per month and the Club members will provide another meal. Efforts will be made for the Club member meal to be made on a Saturday or Sunday to allow ample time for the Members to prepare the food.
 - b. At this point, there was not a need to move the household items out of the home that the Gomez's were living in. Due to Jed Morris's work with his foundation and the cancer survivorship program at Lancaster General, he is staying at the house for the time being. If the house is sold or Jed moves out, the committee will contact the members for help in moving the items out of the house to a storage area at Clipper Magazine Stadium.
 - c. Household items are still being collected for next year. If you do have any small items, they may be dropped off at the stadium throughout the winter.
14. Fundraising – Shirley Miller
- a. A Sub Sale was held and the profit was \$237 which was used towards feeding the players.
 - b. The Activities committee will assist the Fundraising committee in a possible trip to Atlantic City that will aid in collecting money towards the player meals. By a show of hands, 18 of those present are interested in a trip.
15. Old Business
- a. No Old Business at this time.
16. New Business
- a. Jerry Kipphorn read a statement from the board
 - i. Due to some concerns that were discussed at the Board meeting, we are looking at refocusing the direction of the Booster Club and are also looking at what your expectations are as a club member. Therefore, we are planning an additional General membership meeting on Thursday, October 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the stadium. In the meantime, we are looking for volunteers from the general membership to actively participate in an advisory committee to accomplish our goal.
 - ii. A sign up sheet was provided for members to sign up for the advisory committee after the meeting.

- b. Elections for Officers and Board members will be held at the November 17th General Membership meeting. Please have your bio submitted in writing by October 22.

17. Next Meeting

- a. Board – Tuesday, October 13
- b. General – Thursday, October 22

18. Comments from Lancaster Barnstormer Representative – Kristen Simon

- a. It is important for members to share their ideas on why they are a member and what they are looking for.
- b. It is an asset that we work with both the staff and the players.
- c. Kristen passed a Thank You on to the Club from the Front Office Staff.
- d. Any ideas club members have should be written down to see what we can accomplish together in 2010.
- e. They are currently working on the 2010 game schedule and hope to have it out sooner rather than later.

19. Adjournment

- a. Evelyn Lefever and Lester Rowe made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The entire Club approved the motion.