

# March 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes

This meeting was held via Zoom. Present - Christine Josti, Janet Lee, Kim Zayotti, Cara Davis, Kristin West, Colleen Brennan, Christopher Long, John Dynan, Evan Fitzwilliam, Helen Garvey, Kristyn Therrien, Laura Campbell, Marc Bender and Sean McInnis.

February 9, 2021 minutes were voted on and approved by e-vote on February 17, 2021.

#### **AD Update**

- Sean will be taking on the full-time position of Vice Principal of Norwell Middle School next year.
  Everyone expressed congratulations and said we would miss Sean and his leadership of Norwell Athletics.
- Marc Bender also expressed his gratitude and sentiments of doing a fantastic job before and during the pandemic. Sean has been the best AD in the state with his creativity, communications and keeping athletics running all year long. Sean will still be a part of NHS athletics because he will be part of the NHS Administrative team.
- Sean will help guide, train and transition the new AD and assist in the search process. Marc wants to hear from parents, coaches, staff, students and Boosters in regards to what we want for an AD. He is putting together a search committee.
- The position will be posted on March 10. The application period will run from March 10-26. The screening process will reduce the applicants and interview 4-8 candidates. 2-3 candidates will go before the search committee for the final round. March is hopeful a new AD will be announced by April vacation.
- Fall 2 season has been going smoothly. 170 students signed up for 4 sports.
- Currently there are 65 football varsity players and 27 JV.
- Cheer is a club team this year. They will practice and cheer at home games. There is a possibility of cheering at a few road games. NHS allows away teams to cheer in Norwell. It's a school by school basis. Currently there are 15-16 on cheer with a maximum of 20.
- Track has 44 on the team. Lots of younger students have joined the team this year.
- Varsity Volleyball is now at the high school. The new system arrived, but the 2nd truck did not arrive to transport the system up to the gym. The custodians painted all the lines and the gym is volleyball ready.
- Two fans per athlete are now allowed for all indoor home games.
- Away fans can attend outdoor events as long as both AD's agree. Two parents per athlete have been given COVID passes & lanyards.
- NHS allows two parents per athlete attend games at NHS as long as they follow our protocol.

- MIAA keeps reviewing guidelines and has loosened some for Fall 2. We are hoping things will be even better for Spring sports.
- As of today, there will be a Semi-State Tournament for Spring sports with District Champions.
- Ben Margo of the Board of Health has been very helpful with games and spectators.
- Spring season tryouts start Monday, April 26.
- As of now, there will be no out-of-season coaching at NHS. Sean will come up with a plan to set up clinics for all students and all sports.
- At this point, concessions can not open according to the BOH interpretation of food and facility guidelines. Kim will speak with Ben Margo to see if we can get something running.
- The new shed will be in place for tennis season. It was approved last year, but Sean did not get it until he knew tennis season would be running.
- The softball outfield fence is not up to standards. He is in the final stages of figuring out a better system.
- Sean is working on Fall 2021 dates and will get them out once finalized.

### Treasurer Report- Janet

- No changes.
- Hoping to generate income from: lacrosse clinic, N driveway signs, golf tournament and concessions.

#### **Fundraising**

- Laura did some research on Fan Signs. Now that we can have two parents at events, the signs are not necessary.
- Driveway N's. The template is ready. Sean will talk with Glen Ferguson about the type of paint that should be used.
- Senior Signs. Signs will go up the first week of May.
- Golf Tournament, May 20. Cara would like to meet with the Golf Committee: Cara, Kim, Helen, John, Chris and Kristen to delegate registration, sponsorship and advertising.

## Apparel - Kristyn

- Spring apparel coming soon.
- Will post what is remaining on Norwell Social. Possible pop-up before Easter.

### Scholarships - Christine

- Scholarship applications went out and are due back by March 12.
- Kim Guarachi will be taking over for Christine since she has a graduating senior. Other committee members are Pam Hohmann, Kristen Jervey and Andria Mendes.
- Coaches will receive reminders in April about nominating seniors for all sports.

#### **New Business**

- Sean is hopeful NHS can have a Spring Spectacular Celebration in lieu of Homecoming. It's in the planning process.
- Kim would like to ask one of her athlete clients to speak with NHS students about adversity. She was a Division 1 lacrosse player who had her leg amputated and is now going to the 2021 para Olympics. She was profiled on NBC and has become a motivational speaker. Kim will work with Sean & Marc on a date/time.
- Kim proposed the idea of having a cupcake truck come to the school. Marc said he wasn't sure if this was a possibility because the BOH has restrictions on food at events (due to COVID).

Next Meeting - April 12, 7pm.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Josti, Secretary March 22, 2021