

NORTH MAC COMMUNITY UNIT #34  
ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING  
GIRARD MEDIA CENTER

Date: November 20, 2012

Time entered into meeting: 7:47 p.m.

Location: Girard Media Center

Members Present: Steve Furman  
Robyn Hays  
Scott Etter  
Charles Handy  
Farley Cole  
James Matuska

Members Absent: Mark Sloman

Person taking and recording minutes: Marica Cullen

Also Present: Kim Eldridge  
Sherri Gerdanc  
Eric Lancaster  
Diane Moore  
Becky Hampton  
Jennifer McQuality  
Lindsey DeFevers  
Angela Norman  
Connie Schroeder  
Coleen Smith  
Randy Smith  
Georgia Brewer  
Dixie Gage  
Anna Allen  
Matt Allen  
Fred Mulacek  
Craig Fess  
Gail Langheim  
Kay Cameron  
Alan Love  
Jackie Jones-Myers  
Madonna Wempen  
Everett Cameron  
David Spann

## **Sports Discussion**

Connie Schroeder gave an opening statement and asked what transportation costs were for extra curricular activities

Fred Mulacek noted that Carrolton had to provide own transportation to away games

Kim Eldridge asked the difference in bus driver pay for extra curricular pay vs. route pay.

Charlie Handy noted the District reduced coaching positions by half when consolidating.

Connie Schroeder suggested using number of participants in a sport when deciding to continue offering it.

Scott Etter commented it would be important to look at and consider sign up numbers.

Anna Allen suggested cutting middle school sports with low numbers.

Kim Eldridge asked for a list of all sports offered.

Alan Love reported the softball program has 20 + girls at 7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> grade level and recommended cutting basketball to save softball.

Anna Allen recommended cutting sports before teachers.

Jennifer McQuality asked what revenue was received from sports.

Lindsey DeFevers reported there was no cap on MS track. 100 kids were out in the first year. In 11-12, 60 kids, 2 coaches and 1 assistant.

Kay Cameron raised the concern of Title IX issues and allowing equal opportunity by gender.

Marica Cullen reported the District received \$43,000 in revenue last year. The sports boosters fundraisers are supporting many of the costs of sports programs currently.

Fred Mulacek added sports increases the attractiveness of district. He suggested cutting transportation costs.

Connie Schroeder questioned number of levels of sports offered and said District should eliminate 9<sup>th</sup> grade sports teams and eliminate 6<sup>th</sup> grade offerings, giving an example of a full 6<sup>th</sup> grade coaching stipend for a 3 game schedule.

Steve Furman explained the Board would not rule out discussing the role of sports boosters in providing targeted funds to support coaches.

Lindsey DeFevers reported that coaches were told to fundraise.

Randy Smith contributed that the maximum number of kids playing sports has to be addressed because some sports might turn kids away.

Scott Etter replied that caps had been placed on team rosters with some modifications over the past 3 years. There are no on limits on track and football rosters.

Connie Schroeder brought up the question of requirements that clubs have bylaws and membership minimums before stipends were paid to sponsors.

Kim Eldridge suggested closing an entrance gate at football games to save on payments to ticket takers and look for other simple cost savings across the district by asking staff for ideas.

Time of adjournment: 8:30 p.m.

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President

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Secretary