

Sheridan Adult Booster Club  
Special Meeting  
November 5, 2007

A special meeting of the Sheridan Adult Booster Club was called on November 5, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Multipurpose room.

Attending the meeting were:

Theda Anderson  
Cory Dunn  
Jeff Guenther  
Randy Price  
Debbie Price  
Kim Zachery  
Tina Zachery  
Garry Jessup  
Lea Jessup  
Carol Miller  
Harold Diets  
Joni Summe  
Charlene Webster  
Cheri Hume

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and set guidelines on how the Adult Booster Club can support the needs of all sports and athletes through purchases of equipment and items requested by coaches.

Mike Shelburne, SHS Athletic Director, could not attend, however sent a memorandum stating what he would like to see implemented. Specifically, purchasing items to supplement the basic needs provided for a sport. Mike will obtain "wish lists" from coaches and after those needs are evaluated, Mike will submit those requests on behalf of the athletic department to the Adult Booster Club. The coach and athletic director will be responsible for selection and ordering of equipment. SABC will transfer fund to the athletic department to help with purchases.

A copy of this policy is attached, along with an example of the coaches' wish list letter. It also states that he realizes there will likely not be funding to support all sports every year, therefore after a request is granted, that sport will take a lower priority for future needs so that all sports can be supported.

Boys Varsity Basketball Coach Cory Dunn and Girls Varsity Basketball coach Jeff Guenther were in attendance to present a request for a shooting gun to help with the boys and girls basketball program from grades 6-12. A brochure of the item was distributed so

that members could see the request. Questions were posed about warranty of the item (3 year). The shooting gun would be used strictly under a coach's supervision and would not be an appropriate item for use at the elementary level. It would be used for Middle School practices and camps as well as high school. This equipment would focus on proper shooting techniques. Both coaches had them at former schools.

It would come with a sponsorship sticker on the item to indicate the donation from SABC.

Cost of the shooting gun is \$4,500. Funding will also be provided from the Boys Basketball and Girls Basketball teams and hopefully the SHS Athletic Department.

Kim Zachery proposed that SABC pledge \$2,000 for the basketball programs, \$2,000 for the track program (shot-put area renovation) and \$1,000 for boys football (water coolers). A motion to accept the proposal was made by Harold Dietz and seconded by Garry Jessup. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Kim will notify Mr. Shelburne about the donations and Cindy Durr will prepare a check to the Athletic department.

In other business, the Hoosier authority website was still not up yet.

Garry Jessup showed a sample blanket for a potential fundraising idea. The blanket would be in school colors with a team picture on it.

At the next home football game, Momma's Cupboard will be having a food drive. We can collect items in the tailgate area and publicize a list of what they need.

The next SABC meeting will be Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the SHS Multipurpose meeting room.

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

I apologize for not being able to attend tonight's meeting in person. I do want to thank you for all of your support for me, the athletic department, and our athletes.

As a direct beneficiary of your efforts, I want to try to help you understand how you can best help me with your organization. As director of the athletic department, it is my responsibility to equip all of our athletes in uniforms and supply game and practice equipment essential to that sport. Just like in real life, there are two ends of the purchasing spectrum: the high end and the low end. I will never use the lowest price available to determine the equipment that our athletes will have. On the other side of the coin, it will be very difficult to purchase the top of the line equipment for all of our athletes. I will do my best to provide good quality uniforms and equipment needs for our athletes and coaches at a cost that is fair to all sports and to the current athletic department budget.

Here is where your organization comes in. What has been presented to the SABC in the past is purchasing items to supplement the basic needs provided for that sport. The athletic department would not be able to fund the purchase of these items as a whole. The list of examples would include, but not be exclusive to:

- Training equipment for a specific sport (batting tees and soft toss nets)
- Safety / health equipment (training room equipment)
- Remodeling of existing area (shot put area)

Each of the coaches will be supplied with a "wish list." A draft copy is available. That list will be sent to the SABC for approval of fund dispersal. The coach and athletic director will then arrange for ordering and shipping of the item. Then the SABC will transfer funds to the athletic department.

When a situation unfolds where a bid for service is used, the athletic department will seek bids and determine the bid winner after the SABC has approved of the dispersal of funds for that particular item or project. The athletic department will welcome suggestions and contacts for these services from the SABC.

Each coach should be aware that not all sports will have an opportunity to have a “wish” filled each and every year. I am sure that as an organization you want to help them all, but that would be impossible each and every year. Most of you parents want to see items that benefit your child’s athletic program. That is the goal we are trying to reach. All sports should be respected and have “extras” furnished for them, but it would be unreasonable to think that every sport will have something every year.

Some expenditures are going to be costly in nature and that program might need to be at the bottom of the priority list for a couple of years after the purchase. Coaches should try to come up with needs that benefit as many athletes as possible. When necessary, a combination of sports (boys and girls basketball) can be done. A combination of purchasing power, SABC, SHS athletics, and sport specific fundraising can meet the needs. The ability of our middle school athletes to benefit would also be a plus.

It is not my intention for the athletic department to decide how the SABC should spend its money. I will try to guide my staff to you if the need for that program is real, will benefit the athletes, and do so for a long period of time.

Thank you all for what you do. If you would ever like to discuss anything with me please feel free to call and we can schedule a time to meet.

Mike Shelburne, AD  
Sheridan HS/MS

COACHES WISH LIST ADULT BOOSTER CLUB

Coaches, the Sheridan Adult Booster Club members are raising funds in order to supplement the athletic department to help you and our athletes. This is an ongoing process that they hope to continue each year. The items that they would like to help you purchase are things that the athletic department is not able to buy. The “extras” that the SABC is willing to buy are training aids and additional equipment needs. The athletic department will handle all the basic needs such as practice and game equipment, uniforms, transportation, etc. Keep in mind when you submit your “wish list” that the more people that can benefit the better. Can it be used by the middle school athletes? Items that are perishable or have a short use life are not recommended. If you have any questions, please see me. I will submit your requests to the SABC for review, and if approved, then we will proceed with the steps to purchase. I realize that some sports will have a difficult time in finding “training equipment” specific for that sport. I also realize that some sports have an abundance of options. Please feel free to discuss your options with me.

Item: \_\_\_\_\_ Est. Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Coach: \_\_\_\_\_

Sport: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mike Shelburne, AD approval \_\_\_\_\_