

Hart High Baseball Dugout Club Meeting Minutes

Date: January 11, 2022
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Zoom

Attendees:

- Jim Ozella - Head Coach
- Steve Downs - President
- Julie Meinecke - Vice President
- Shawn Damiani - Treasurer
- Koi Howard - Secretary
- Parents of Hart Players

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes: Jeff's motion to approve the minutes from last meeting carried, seconded by Mike.

III. Committee Business:

- a. **Alumni Game:** John Dow, former president of the Dugout Club, has graciously agreed to chair the Alumni Game on February 6th. So far, we have around 15 players committed and 11 maybes. If you know any Hart Baseball alumni who would be interested in playing, please reach out to them about joining in the game. It should be a lot of fun. We'll be honoring Ryan Haag on the Wall of Fame, who was on the 1999 CIF Championship team and played for the New York Yankees. We will need volunteers for the check-in table, canteen, and decorations to help Jaimie.
- b. **Media Guide:** Jodi reported that the Media Guide is at the printer. The copy does have to go to three different places with all the special gloss, binding, etc, but the goal is to be able to deliver copies to the upcoming Meet the Coaches Night on the 26th. Jodi and Steve thanked everyone who contributed and gave a special shout out to the DeLaMaza family. The final tally for sales is \$21,150. The Media Guide is such a nice keepsake yearbook for our players, so thanks to all the parents and to Jodi and Steve for their hard work putting it all together.
- c. **Fundraising:** Julie is still waiting for a final number on the popcorn fundraiser, but the check should be sent to the Club this week. Be looking out for an email regarding the Yard Sign fundraiser. Steve interjected that parents who are interested in doing Super Bowl Squares can do so on their own and would be able to donate to the Dugout Club, but we can't actively gamble as an organization. Mike Egan volunteered to do Super Bowl Squares. Steve also reported that he received \$221 from Mod Pizza for that fundraiser. Julie and Steve thanked everyone for their support. Diana said that Vincenzo's Pizza is happy to do a Restaurant Night fundraiser for us. Julie will reach out to them for that.
- d. **Apparel:** Diana reported that everyone has their bags, but we're still waiting on the hats, which should be arriving soon. She's also put in a second order for those who requested extra items, so all is going well with apparel.
- e. **Canteen:** Kim said that the freshmen ran the canteen during their game and it went really well. We always need volunteers - as well as extra drinks like sodas, root beers and diet cokes. Steve and Kim will discuss what might be needed for the Alumni Game.

f. **Website:** Steve thanked Mark, Kelly and Chris who approached him to offer support for the website. They each know people who can help with that, though with the beginning of the season being so busy, we'll table the website until the summer. Here's the link: <http://harthighbaseball.com/>

g. **Calendar of Events:**

1. **Meet the Coaches** - Wednesday, January 26th
2. **Alumni Game** - Sunday, February 6th at 11:00 a.m.
3. **Spring Season Opener Easton Tourney** - Saturday, February 12th
4. **Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser** - Saturday, March 19th
5. **Senior Day** - Thursday, April 28th
6. **Banquet** - Saturday, May 21st

IV. **Treasurer's Report:** Shawn reported that as of November's meeting, we had \$9,774 in our account. We had income of \$21,210 which includes: \$2,158 (Donations); \$396 (Restaurant Nights); \$15,569 (Media Guide); \$3,077 (Apparel); \$92 (Kroger); \$14 (Amazon Smile); 9¢ (Bank Interest). We had an expenses total of \$4,040: \$181 (P.O. Box and Office Costs); \$17 (Bank Charges); \$1,117 (Apparel); \$1,765 (Field Equipment); \$960 (Umpire Fees). That gave us a total of \$26,943, but some additional paypal funds brought the balance up to \$28,888.

V. **Coach's Update:** Coach O wished us all a Happy New Year. He apologized for starting with some bad news, but the JV schedule has changed. Canyon and Golden Valley High Schools will not have JV teams this year. That means that we'll be playing three games each with the remaining schools: Valencia, West Ranch, Castaic and Saugus. Craig and league officials are sorting those out now and we'll update you as soon as we can. (Coach said that if we hear background noise, Illinois is losing to Nebraska in basketball right now and he just might faint during his report. ;) The Varsity and Freshman schedules are organized. He is trying to finalize a location on the GAR game for Varsity. He reminded us that we're getting close to the season and he and the coaches are making sure the guys are ready to go. Rain shut down some of the practices, but it was good for the field. Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, through the long weekend, we'll be playing games with Varsity and JV at Newberry Park and Frosh at home. The season will start for Varsity and JV on February 12th, and on the 14th for the Freshmen. Hopefully, he'll be able to provide a hard copy of the schedules by the Coaches' Night and we'll get those up on the website too. Thanks so much, Coach!

VI. **New Business:** Steve thanked Mike for volunteering to organize a Super Bowl fundraiser. He said that we also need volunteers to help with scoring the games on iScore. We can get you trained and appreciate any parent who can step up to help with that. Steve called for any questions. Jeanette asked if she is still able to donate diet cokes to the canteen. Kim said that sodas and water can always be dropped off for the canteen; donations are appreciated. Steve asked for the following donations from families for Meet the Coaches Night: Freshmen (Desserts); Sophomores (Drinks); Juniors (Side Salads); Senior families are welcome to come without a donation item as a thank you to them. Thanks to Jeff who is donating Firehouse Subs and the Privetts who offered their home for this event.

VII. **Agenda Items:** Next meeting we'll discuss the Cornhole fundraiser and volunteer opportunities. Thank you all for meeting via Zoom, and for your time and support of the baseball program.

VIII. **Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

IX. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.