

AGENDA

Meeting of the Athletics Subcommittee

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

6:00 PM

Administration Building 30 Common Street

Attendees: Amy Donohue (chair), Kendra Foley (member), Lily Read (member), Superintendent Galdston, Assistant Superintendent Delai, Athletic Director Michael Lahiff, John Portz, Peter Centola, Mark Sideris, Frank Cacia

I. Call to Order

II. Discussion and Action Items

a. Fees for One-Sport and Full-Year Options

Reviewed the athletic fee structure survey presented by the Superintendent. Discussed options for families who are unable to pay any fee. Discussed 1 sport and 2+ sport payment schedule instead of a fully tiered payment schedule. The district supports 82% of all athletic costs, fees cover 13% and gate receipts cover 5%. Discussed an option to do the following: First sport is \$200, second sport is \$175 and third sport is free.

Motion:

- 1) Change the fee structure for student athletics at the High School so that students pay \$200 for the first sport, \$175 for the second sport, and the third sport is free.
- 2) For High School students receiving free meal benefits, the cost would be \$50 for the first sport, \$50 for the second sport and the third sport is free.
- 3) For High School students receiving reduced meal benefits, the first sport is \$100, the second sport is \$100, and the third sport is free.
- 4) Family cap is \$750 per academic year for High School athletics.
- 5) Middle School fees are not changing.
- 6) Middle School athletic waiver students will pay the Middle School athletic fees.

Motion passes 3-0

b. Updates to Website

The Athletic Department uses Schedule Star for scheduling games and Family ID for online registration/payment. Online payments for school athletics was rolled out in the Middle School this past fall and in the High School this winter.

There are two issues that the department is actively working to address: 1) Allowing the athletic trainer to track athletes injury history online so the information is available to parents. 2) Creating a individual sport page on the athletics website for each individual team, schedule, practice location, coach and and contact information. Trial page for the baseball team is currently live.

c. Broadening the Committee to Include Extracurricular Activities

There was a discussion about which extracurricular activities would be included. There are a number of issues that need to be addressed: 1) review the list of extracurricular activities, 2) understand criteria for how extracurriculars/clubs are created and approved and 3) decide what is the definition of extracurricular activities that would be included in this subcommittee. There will be a continuation of this conversation at the next Athletics Subcommittee meeting which will include feedback on these topics from Middle School principal Kimo Carter and High School principal Shirley Lundberg.

Motion: Table this issue and will be taken up at the next Athletic Subcommittee meeting. Vote was 3-0.

d. Winter Season Update by the Athletics Director

Did not address this because of a lack of time.

e. Middle School Spring Sport Waiver Update

We have had a number of coop teams, but the MIAA discourages this practice. The proposal is to bring up 7th and 8th graders to join 9th graders to create a freshman team for baseball and softball. The freshman boys baseball team would play at Moxley and the girls softball freshman team would play at the Lowell School.

III. Adjournment by 7:30 PM

Minutes submitted by Kendra Foley.