Thomas Jefferson High School Athletic Booster Club Meeting Minutes – September 10, 2012

Call to order – 9 members present, plus Coach Erbe and AD Deam.

Last month's minutes – Motion to accept minutes as written by Mike Kadlec, second by Rick Pike. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report – Motion to accept treasurer's report as presented by Sue Hennick, second by Mike Kadlec. Motion carried.

Brian Erbe, softball coach, shared plans for improvements and upgrades at the softball facility. This would include moving home plate closer to the back stop and extending the outfield fence, removing old fence posts, replacing infield grass, and replacing and upgrading bleachers. He announced that Mike Kuba (and his dad Bill Kuba) joined the softball coaching staff, and that two assistant coaching positions had been posted today. He will not run a Spring league this year but plans to host two weekend events in May and continue the bigger tournaments that Larry had run. Also being considered is hosting a tournament at home in lieu of traveling to the big event in Des Moines.

Athletic Director's Report:

- Many of the improvements and changes at the softball facility are due to safety and regulation issues.
- Volunteer system has been revamped to assign a specific number of spots, rather than events, to each team. This change will make it easier to track individual and team participation and also will make it easier to look/plan ahead for Spring and next year.

There was no new correspondence to share.

Stand managers

- Mark still has t-shirts and sweatshirts available for volunteers. A new design is in progress as donations to the athletic fund approach the \$2 million mark, so the current inventory needs to be depleted.
- A volunteer in Stand 4 is a Heinz employee and will provide the Club with a price list so Heinz products, including condiments, can be purchased at cost.

New Business:

- Mark and Mike would be staffing a Booster Club table during this evening's open house
- Booster Club will have an entry in the Homecoming parade on Thursday, September 20th
- Fialas and Kadlecs (anyone else?) will staff concessions during the Homecoming dance on Saturday, September 22nd

Upcoming Band events at Kingston:

- (1) Five Seasons Marching Band Invitational (Sat 9/29) this is ALL DAY LONG, non-stop. Stands 1 and 2 on the west side are open, and the east windows at Stand 4 are open for bus traffic
- (2) State Marching Band competition (Sat 10/6) also all day but this is not a stayaround-for results competition (Chris Deam noted that there is also a volleyball tournament in the gyms that day)
- Potential Officer candidates for 2013-14 We need new ideas, new blood, so talk it up and recruit! Mark noted that the Band Parents Association by-laws require officers to have students enrolled at Jefferson. Booster Club by-laws don't have this provision. (Current officers have not had a student at Jefferson for several years. Dan Winter, class of 2007/2008, is the youngest.)
- There was a break-in at Kingston over the weekend. Water was turned on and flooded the South end zone. Attempted vandalism of the pop machine at Stand 2 resulted in a damaged light bulb.

Upcoming Events:

- (1) Sept 21 (Friday) Homecoming football game vs Waterloo East
- (2) Sept 22 (Saturday) Homecoming dance in West gym
- (3) October 1 (Monday) Booster Club Meeting (7 pm in Faculty Lounge)

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:40 p.m. following motion by Mike Kadlec and second by Bob Hackney.

Sally Robinson, Acting Secretary in Deb Winter's absense