

Caroline Cavaliers Football Club

Meeting Minutes

September 23, 2024

Attendance: Aimee Fletcher, David Fletcher, Dan Marks, Laura Marks, McKenzie Allison, Butch Allison, Ron Goff, Anna Porter-Toure, & Terry Alexander

-501c3 status – 990N can be filed at the end of our fiscal year (after 7/31/24)

-Club Officers – Aimee Fletcher – President, Dan Marks – Vice President, Ron Goff – Secretary, Leissa Richardson – Treasurer, Laura Marks – Fundraising & Sponsorship Director, vacant – Team Meals Director

-Meeting called to order at 6:08 pm.

-Motion to approve August 2024 meeting minutes made by Dan & seconded by Ron. All in favor.

-Team Meals: We have 2 JV games left to cover. Coach A is okay with a more varied menu of options. No fried foods, no pizza, no desserts, no burgers/hotdogs. We also have a Sign-up Genius for Post Away Game Drinks & Snacks. It is ideal for the players to have something to eat on the bus ride back to the school. Game days are very long for them and they expend a lot of energy on the field. There are 4 away games that are not yet covered.

-Other Committees needed:

- Game Day Crew for home games – McKenzie & Butch Allison are learning the ropes on running the AV equipment. They have been working the sideline during games.
- Food Drive Collection – We will also do Wreaths Across America. We can do these collections together; we will just make it clear the food drive is for community food pantries and the wreaths are for veterans. The date for the Food Drive & Wreath sales is 10/12. We can continue wreath sales until 10/31. Anna will visit some shops in the Bowling Green Food Lion shopping center for permission to set up in front of their business. Ron will do the same in the Ladysmith shopping center. The wreath laying will occur on 12/14. We will investigate the possibility of bussing the players to the cemetery.
- Parade Committee – Reconsider in Oct/Nov when parade details are available.
- Banquet Committee – November timeframe. Banquet will be in January.

-Fundraisers:

- Caroline Logo Stencil: The wood stencil broke. Ron is in the process of duplicating onto plastic that will roll up. He needs 4" letters for the stencil. He also wants to include stencils for other sports. Offer semi-permanent (spray paint) and temporary (field paint) options.
- Car Wash & Fish Fry 9/07/2024 recap: we made \$1640.76, after expenses.
- Corporate Sponsorship: Packages available for review on our website. The banners have been replaced and hung for the season. In the future, they need to be taken down in December and stored.

-Grants: Aimee will submit an application to the Caroline County Foundation for a grant toward the purchase of red jerseys.

-Treasurer's Report: No report yet.

-Projects:

- Fueling Station for the players does need regular restocking. Coach's suggestions: Nature Valley granola bars, peanut butter cracker packs, protein bars, slim jims, applesauce squeeze packs, peanuts, yogurt, individual bags of trail mix, deli protein packs (like P3). Gatorade powder in cans to make in bulk. An Amazon Wishlist has been shared to help keep the fueling station restocked. The Wishlist includes snacks, Gatorade, laundry products & cleaning supplies.
- Inventory of equipment: All that is left to get are Air tags to be used for the expensive AV equipment and trailer.

-Upcoming Events:

- **10/12/2024** – Food Drive Collection & Wreaths Across America
- **10/18/2024** – Homecoming game vs King George
- **11/08/2024** – Senior Night

-New Business:

- JV lockers – They have been ordered and will arrive in October for installation by our maintenance dept.
- Soft pack purchase = black shirt and shorts set for 7v7 and matching practice apparel – there are some sets that were not purchased. Aimee will reach out to those parents.

- Homecoming Game concessions – 10/18 – JV players & parents needed to support. Aimee will create a Sign-up Genius and will reach out to Josh Grein about how many people are needed. Coach A will work to coordinate & possibly utilize teachers on duty too.
- Replacement stools for press box: At our first varsity home game, one of the press box stools completely fell apart. None of the stools are in good condition. Five metal stackable stools were purchased off of Marketplace and will be in place by the next home game on 9/27.
- After varsity home games, Roma's will stay open late, offering pizza by the slice and a limited menu. This will provide a place for teenagers to go after the football game to eat and socialize. Thank you to the Amatos! It's up to us to make this successful. Share it on social media and tell your friends.
- Player Food insecurity – no identified needs right now. We will remember to reach out to Ms. Kline from CHS, when needed. She runs a pantry of sorts out of the high school. Distribution is very discreet.
- Next School Board Meeting is 10/14/2024.

-Old Business:

- Weight Room photo display: this was hung just before Coach Allison left the program. It has been unused since that time. Coach A plans to use for player maxes. We need a list of players that have earned their photo spot.
- Stadium Clean-up: Ron has completed the work. A truckload of debris was hauled to the dump.
- Fall Football Program: designed by Danielle Logue. It arrived in time to sell at our first varsity home game. They are \$5 each and full-color. We sold 12 copies the first night.
- Weight room move: This discussion has been tabled for the year. The weight room and wrestling room will remain where they are. It is probable this will come up again for next school year. Hopefully by that time, a more appropriate space to place the weight room will have been identified.
- The storage closet has been cleaned out and organized. Plastic totes with lids will keep the football pants protected and clean. They are organized by team and color.

-Next meeting: 10/17/2024 at 6 pm at Roma's in Bowling Green.

-Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:53 pm by Ron, seconded by McKenzie. All in favor.

Minutes recorded by Aimee Fletcher.