

**St. Clair Athletic
Backer's Minutes**

6:30 p.m. Elem.Conf.Rm
July 26, 2023

Jason Hammond- President
Nate Kasprowicz- Vice President
Amy Ely- Treasurer
Katie Kliner - Secretary
Matt Lynch- Past President
Carrie Zeldenrust- Director
Kris Lynch- Director

Andrea Lotton- Director
Matt Anderson- Director
Ashley Swanson- Director
Mandy Sorenson- Director
Darcy Roemhildt – Director
Abby Schmitt – Director
Rick Eichhorst- Director

1. **Meeting called to order: @6:36 p.m. by Jason Hammond.**
 - a. Members Present:
 - i. Jason Hammond, Nate Kasprowicz, Amy Ely, Matt Lynch, Carrie Zeldenrust, Andrea Lotton, Abby Schmitt, Rick Eichhorst, Karen Hauser
 - b. Members Absent:
 - i. Katie Kliner, Kris Lynch, Matt Anderson, Ashley Swanson, Mandy Sorenson, Darcy Roemhildt, Brad O'Donnell
 - c. Visitors:
 - i. Two representatives from Goodtimes Manufacturing
 1. They presented their online store and some products - options for new apparel and the possibility of using the apparel as a fundraising opportunity for the Backers
2. **Recognitions:**
 - a. All who helped with St. Clair Days activities
 - b. Candy Sonnek for donating the candy to throw at the parade
3. **Secretary's Minutes:**
 - a. We did not have a copy of the June minutes to review and approve
4. **Treasurer's Report:**
 - a. Checking Account: \$68,953.37
 - b. Money Market: \$11,526.82
 - c. Gambling: \$0
 - d. Track: \$10,306.12
 - e. Outstanding Expenses/ Allocations: \$18,726.86
 - i. Amy will request an invoice from the school
5. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. St. Clair Days Raffle: \$7452.00 was raised by the raffle ticket sales, with \$962.86 in expenses, resulting in \$6489.14 net profit. We had 400 tickets not returned by athletes' families, of the returned tickets, only 148 tickets were not sold, but probably would have been if it hadn't rained during the parade. \$9000 in prizes were given out. Next year we need to have people selling the tickets at other St. Clair Days events like Burger night, Pancake breakfast, bingo, baseball games, etc.
 - b. Homecoming Events: Homecoming football game is our first home game and it is Oct. 6th vs Medford. Volleyball will play Loyola at noon that day as well. Backers will serve the tailgating meal that evening.
 - c. Coaches vs. Cancer / Dig n pink Events: Dig n Pink is Oct 7th, Backers will serve the meal that evening.

- d. Fieldwork & Maintenance: Carrie motioned to approve a fieldwork and maintenance night for Wednesday Aug 23rd. Rick 2nd. Nate motioned to provide pizza to the helpers. Matt 2nd. We have the speakers for the new football sound system.
- e. Concessions: Andrea has the sign up site ready and set up for this year's activities. We will try to use a QR code on the big screen at the mandatory athletics meeting for people to sign up right away. Kris will continue to handle the stocking and prepping for the concession stand.
- f. Tickets: We will add two additional spots on the sign up site for ticket takers for football games. 4 at the main gate and 2 more at gate 2.
- g. Promotions: Will start mentioning the sponsors that have renewed on social media.
- h. Sponsorships: We need to remind or inform all sponsors that Sponsorships are based on the school year and run from June 15th to June 15th. Lynch and Sons added as a Gold Sponsor as compensation for concession stand management
 - i. Individual Sponsorships
 - 1. Basic - 2
 - 2. Bronze - 15
 - 3. Silver - 3
 - 4. Gold - 0
 - ii. Corporate Sponsorships
 - 1. Bronze - 15
 - 2. Silver - 3
 - 3. Gold - 4

6. Old Business: N/A

7. New Business:

- a. Football Scrimmage Saturday Aug 26th, Backers will meet at 8:30am to have donuts and coffee available at the concession stands in the morning and will serve lunch at noon.
- b. Discussion about the idea of doing State Fair Clean up again in the future.

8. Athletic Director: Brad was not able to attend the meeting but sent an email request

- a. Request for a minimum of 10 girls and 10 boys basketballs.
 - i. Rick motion to approve. Nate 2nd

9. Action Items:

- a. Amy will reach out to River Hills Ag about donating popcorn bags again
- b. Carrie will reach out to Goodtimes Manufacturing about Athletic Backers shirts to wear for mandatory Athletics meeting and other Backers sponsored events.
- c. Andrea will talk to Brad about having the QR code for volunteer sign up on the big screen at the mandatory Athletics meeting on Aug 10th