

SOUTH MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Athletics & Student Activities

Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Committee Members: Robin Scherer (*Chair*), Rodney Wagner, Brad Group (President, *De Facto*)

Teachers: Dave Yinger

Administration: Dr. Joel Hain, BSHS School Principal, Dr. Jesse White, YBMS Principal, Rachel Boyle, Athletic Director

I. Old Business

- a. Update on Winter Musical, Band and Choral Concerts – Mr. Yinger provided the committee with an update on the any happenings in the music department. Since the committee last met, the musical production, Beauty & The Beast, went off extremely well. It was Ms. Teter’s first performance, and she did an amazing job. The BSHS Jazz band has performed in multiple performances over the past few months. The PMEA Jazz Fest will be held at BSHS on Saturday, April 1, 2023. Mr. Yinger noted the YBMS/BSHS Chorus Concert will be held on 5/4/2023 @ 7:00 p.m. The 5th grade band concert is scheduled for 5/9/2023 @ 7:00 p.m. The YBMS/BSHS jazz band concert will be held 5/11/2023 @ 7:30 p.m. Additionally, a small group will also play at the Bubbler Foundation Dinner. The BSHS and YBMS bands will play in the Memorial Day parade on 5/28/2023. Chorus students will participate in the Memorial services as well. The District Jazz Festival was hosted at BSHS at the end of March. Mr. Yinger noted the caliber of the guest conductors was amazing. BSHS will host the District Band competition in January 2024. Claire Heller performed at the Honors Band in Rochester, NY. It was quite an exciting experience for her. Mr. Yinger also stated there were 2 Bubblers in the PA All State Concert Band – Conner Dyke and Ally Carvel. We are hoping to have them come to an upcoming Board Meeting for recognition.
- b. Principal Updates – Dr. Hain gave a BSHS update. He noted that the Mini-Thon was a great success raising over \$111,000. That is quite a large number for such a small school. Dr. Hain will be meeting with the committee soon to debrief and plan for next year. He stated clubs will continue to switch up each semester, noting teachers continue to offer a wide variety of clubs for students. This is a busy time of year for high school students with the Prom coming up in May and then graduation. Dr. White gave a YBMS update starting by recognizing a great TSA showing. He noted there are 21 kids participating in Volleyball. They are growing and having fun. Boys’ soccer has 27 students. Girls’ soccer has 20 students, and both have great records. Track has 20 students and doing well. That totals approximately 100 YBMS students in sports, which is a great participation level.

c. Athletic Director Updates

- i. Athletic Advisory Committee Report (Quarterly Summary) - hard copy provided at meeting – SEE ATTACHED. NOTABLE ITEMS – The Field Hockey team was welcomed to the on the PA State House Floor recognizing their PIAA Championship. Rachel Boyle is working on a banner for the gymnasium to recognize the field hockey team. Also, the Administration is working on signage for campus to be completed prior to the end of the school year. The Committee made a recommendation for the Administration to move the signage topic forward to the full board. Rachel Boyle noted there are approximately 20 student athletes who will move on to play college level sports after graduation. Rachel Boyle also noted Austin Fulton, a Boiling Springs Junior, received the #1 seed in tennis and will play with the Red Land team (through the Tennis Coop Agreement) in the Mid Penn Championships 4/28/2023.
- ii. PIAA/ District 3 Updates – Rachel Boyle attended the PIAA meeting last week. The PIAA is working on Name Image and Likeness (NIL). Also, Rachel updated the committee regarding red shirt eligibility. PIAA stated if an 8th grade student is held back and plays another year of middle school athletics, that student will lose a year of eligibility in high school.
- iii. Athletic Annual Awards – Rachel updated the committee on various upcoming awards. She is waiting to hear definite details on winners.
- iv. Football Black Uniform Pants (donation) – The Committee made a recommendation for the Administration to move forward to the full board a vote to accept a donation of black football pants.
- v. Timing Pads for Pool/ Competition (replacement/ maintenance) – Rachel Boyle stated 2 out of 6 timing pads in the pool aren't functional. Rachel requested support to continue communication with the Township regarding purchase of that equipment. The Committee is fine with this.
- vi. Golf Cart for Athletic Staff/ Game Day Management – Rachel requested the committee to support the purchase of a "new" golf cart. Discussion ensued regarding the present golf cart, which is shared with Maintenance. The Committee recommended moving forward a vote to the full board on the purchase of an Athletics golf cart. Discussion also ensued regarding handicapped parking (as this will be one of the needs a golf cart may need to fulfill). Communication will be sent out to coaches regarding any future handicapped parking needs and how they should be handled.
- vii. Fall Coach List – Rachel Boyle provided the Committee with a listing of Fall coaches who have been hired to date.

II. New Business - None

III. Public Comment - None

IV. Recommendations and Voting

- i. The Committee made a recommendation for the Administration to move forward a vote to accept a donation of black football pants to the full board.

- ii. The Committee recommended moving forward a vote to the full board on the purchase of an Athletics golf cart.
- iii. The Committee made a recommendation for the Administration to move the signage topic forward to the full board.

V. Adjournment @ 6:50 p.m.

VI. Next Meeting date - Monday, July 24, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.