

Mountain Pointe Baseball Boosters
February 19, 2008 Meeting

- 1) Meeting was called to order at 7:02 and Mike welcomed all in attendance. Mike introduced the officers and Coach Buck.
- 2) January minutes were sent via email. A motion was made to approve. Motion passed.
- 3) Treasurer's report: On Gary's behalf, Mike reported there is approximately \$16000.00 in checking account. Final expenses and receivables are being taken care of from the golf tournament and those figures will be available at the next meeting.
- 4) Pride Board:
Denise reported on the latest activities of the Pride Board. In order to be a voting member for the baseball boosters, each family must join the Pride Board, the cost is \$15.00 per year per family. To date only 16 families have paid their dues, please get that money into Denise asap.
- 5) The final work to be done on the field is yet to be scheduled. This will need to be done on an evening due to the Varsity's game schedule over the next few Saturdays. Look for an email from Mike requesting helpers.
- 6) Team Liasons are needed for each level, these are the parent contact between the coaches and the families. The following volunteered:
Varsity – Jenny O'Callaghan
JV – Tessa Richards and Theresa McElroy
Freshman – Julie Kipper
- 7) Cushing Academy:
Olga Klem is heading this effort. We still have 6 players that need a place to stay. It was discussed on how to handle the team dinner on Sunday night. Dan Armijo volunteered his bbq services, so between the budget amount and a collection from the parents, the dinner expenses will be covered.
- 8) Diamondback Tickets – April 21st – Monday night game – Tickets will be available to purchase for \$10 each. Bring friends and family. \$2.00 from each ticket will stay with the boosters. Sherry Gorman will create an order form for tickets, they must be paid for by Tuesday, April 8th.
- 9) Baseball Program:
This year the Boosters will produce and print a Baseball program. The main focus is to celebrate the season and the players but it also provides a fundraising opportunity. Forms were distributed for both Player Sentiment Ads as well as

Corporate Sponsor Ads. The deadline is Tuesday, March 4th. The forms are available on the website, be a part of the beginning of a tradition with Mountain Pointe Baseball.

- 10) Banquet – Scheduled for Tuesday, May 13th at the Foothills Club House. The committee is in place and will have more information at the next meeting.
- 11) 2008-09 Board Officers
Nominations will be taken at the March meeting with elections held at the April meeting. Anyone interested in running for an office should contact Mike – nominations will also be accepted at the March meeting.
- 12) Boosters Chuckwagon:
Sub sandwiches will be provided to the Varsity team following their game on the 21st against Desert Mountain. Eric Lira will schedule.
Details tbd for the meals for the Cibola game on March 25th when the Varsity team travels to Yuma.
- 13) Coach Buck:
 - a) The schedules are out but be flexible, there are sure to be changes as the season progresses.
 - b) The goal of the MPHS Baseball team is to work on all attributes of the players in order to help prepare them to be respectable young men, please do all you can to promote that philosophy and keep all comments about the decisions made on the field in a positive light.
 - c) All freshman players must maintain a C average or better.
 - d) MPHS has started a mandatory tutoring session for all athletes that have a D or below in any class. The sessions are held on Tues/Thursday during Academic Lab.
 - e) MPHS follows the “Pursuing Victory with Honor – 6 Pillars of Character” program. All athletes should practice this on and off the field.
 - f) Both Varsity games against Basha are slated for Mountain Pointe, Coach is working on having both played at Tempe Diablo Stadium.
 - g) There will be no practice or games for the Freshman or JV teams during spring break. Varsity will play through Thursday of that week.
 - h) Friday, March 21st (Good Friday) there is no practice at any level.
 - i) Late Start/Early release days – practice remains at the same time.
 - j) Freshman will play 19 games and JV 18 games.
 - k) Water is always available to the teams in the dugouts, they may bring in seeds and Gatorade but no other food during the games.
 - l) Transportation for all away games will be provided by the District. All players must ride to and from the games on the bus. If a change needs to be made to that, a written request must be submitted to and approved by Ian Moses prior to the day of the game.

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- m) If there is an issue that needs addressed, the player should approach their coach first and direct their questions and concerns in a positive manner. This procedure usually remedies the situation, if a parent needs to talk to a coach, they need to do it away from game/practice time. Keep the comments positive and be open to finding a solution.
 - n) If a player is injured, it is recommended that they be treated by the Sports Trainer available. If additional treatment is needed, there are several sports doctors in the area that are readily available to the MPHS athletes. See your Coach or the Trainer if an injury occurs.
 - o) The quickest and best way to reach Coach Buck is through email at bbuck@tuhsd.k12.az.us
- 14) Opens:
- Matt Marino offered an opportunity for the boosters or players to work concessions at the Diamondback games. See him if anyone is interest.
- Mary Waldren and Diana Mancuso discussed a football dinner fundraiser that is being held on Saturday, March 1st. Anyone interested in buying tickets may see one of them.
- The Corporate Sponsor plaques are ready for distribution. Also there are thank you postcards available with the varsity picture on them for distribution to anyone who donated for the silent auction or tax credit.
- 15) Next Meeting:
- Date to be determined, March 11th is during Spring Break and March 19th, the PE Lecture hall is reserved for Football Boosters. Mike will investigate and an email announcement will be sent. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.