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**Sapphire Booster Club – November 12, 2024 @ 7:17pm**

Attendees can be found in the meeting folder.

1. President’s Update
   1. Nichole - DP
      1. Continuing to submit grant requests
         1. Asking Dick’s Sporting Goods
         2. Decline from Farm Bureau
      2. T-shirts for gymnasts (through Nuline)
         1. Booster club will buy one for each gymnast - separate backs for Dev and Xcel
            1. Question - will we put coaches names on it? We can ask for a mock up, but it may be too crowded on smaller size shirt
         2. Optional for additional purchase, with profit back to booster club
      3. Dev Optionals – Alamo Bowl Schedule is out
      4. Update on last meetings questions
         1. Big Sis/Little Sis - Xcel
            1. Gym’s decision, not booster club - based on gymnasts being able to pick and choose their meets.
   2. Nikki/Loyd (VP) - Xcel
      1. Pump it up fundraiser - possibly Dec 12. Loyd will follow up in a week for confirmation. If we don’t hear back in a week, we won’t do it on 12/12
2. Fundraising Update - Amber
   1. Raffle (gift cards)
      1. Starting next week 11/18-12/2
      2. Tickets $1/1, $20/25 tickets
      3. 3 prizes - $400, $75, $50 in gift cards
         1. Examples: Sephora, Scheels, Caseys, Barnes & Noble - thru Raise Right. Wanting a wide variety of stores with the highest % back
      4. Generic raffle tickets or online based raffle with zero fees (Amber to research further)
      5. Will have a infographic that will be able to be shared (Roxanne), but not until raffle license is in effect
   2. Pump It Up - Dec 12
      1. Has to be M-Th. Des Moines Public Schools do not have school 12/13
      2. Hope to put signs in the gym for all gymnasts (Rec and Team)
      3. Intent to bring in community to help raise funds
   3. Wells Fargo
      1. After meet season most likely
      2. Amber to research more (March-May)
   4. Raise Right
      1. Raise Days - get bonus % on gift cards
         1. Nov 14-15 and Nov 21-22
         2. If you want a plastic gift cards can be ordered with the booster club at the same time the raffle gift cards are being ordered – Let booster club know by 11/22
         3. Have link on RR that takes you to the store and you get a % back
         4. Kendra Scott is on RR
3. Coaches Updates
   1. Team Photo - Sign Up!! Even if you don’t want individual photos, sign up so your gymnast will be in the team photo
   2. Leo/Jackets/Leggings have arrived
      1. Email will be sent by Alisha next week
      2. Backpacks and Slides en route - TBD
   3. Refunds
      1. General policy set by handbook is no refunds, set by SGA, not booster club
4. Treasurer's Updates - Megan/Alex
   1. Any questions on your meet fees, reach out to the treasurer
5. SJBI Update - 565 gymnasts signed up
   1. New (Returning) Sponsor
      1. Tax Planners (Mila Alexander)
   2. Awards budget going up as we have alot more gymnasts than 2024 (305)
   3. Tentative – 3 sessions Friday, 4 sessions Saturday, 2 sessions Sunday
      1. Will have access to venue Thursday evening
      2. Tentative Hospitality - 2 meals friday, 3 saturday, 2 sunday
   4. Interested in becoming meet director and/or meet co-chair - this is a good time to learn this year with current director/co-chair
   5. Still room on committees - please be present on your committee that you’ve signed up for
6. Open Discussion - Questions, concerns, happy stories
   1. What happens with booster club funds - does not go to pay any board member
      1. Season kickoff picnic
      2. Gymnasts shirts
      3. Coaches gifts
      4. State Sendoff
      5. Athlete Enrichment (nutrition/mental health seminar)
      6. Olympic watch party
      7. Awards Banquet
      8. Gymnast gifts at banquet
      9. Insurance policy
      10. Meet invoice credits
   2. Nikki A needs 1 more person to fill out big sis/little sis survey
   3. Malaika - got us $50 Costco and $50 Sams club gift cards for Hospitality room

Next meeting – December 12, 2024 – 7:15pm