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MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE

LOBOS BOOSTER CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 16, 2023, 9:00 AM

Meeting was held at

Monterey Peninsula College Athletics Department (Old Massage Lab)

980 Fremont Street, Monterey, CA 93940

MEMBERS PRESENT

Susie Boutonnet
Tom Clifford
Nick Cunningham
Kaiya Dickens
Mike Mast
Erin O'Hare
Jonathon Perez
Lyndon Schutzler
Joe Servi
Joyce Simon

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bill McClintock
Nate Steen

STAFF PRESENT

Beccie Michael
Wendy Bates
Amber Mettler
Gerardo Olivares (Remote)

1. Meeting Called to Order by Tom Clifford at 9:04 a.m.
2. Recognition of Guests: None
3. Public Comment: None
4. Approval of January 26, 2023, Minutes (Tom Clifford)
Motion: Lyndon Schutzler made a motion to approve January 26, 2023, minutes as presented.

Second: Joyce Simon
Ayes: Clifford, Cunningham, O'Hare, Perez, Schutzler, Servi, and Simon
Nays: None
5. Athletics Update (Wendy Bates)
 - Wendy started her update with some sad news about one of our assistant coaches passing away over the weekend unexpectedly. Football team defensive line coach Ofa Hautau passed away on his 30th birthday. It has been hard news over the weekend for our students and Athletics personnel. There will be a service for him on Saturday and the Football team will go in their uniforms to pay their respect.
 - Softball and Baseball are underway with good starting games.
 - Track and Field have their home meet this weekend on Saturday Feb. 18th.
 - Last home Basketball home game was last night, they only have one more game next Friday at Gavilan and that will wrap up the season for them.
 - Wendy also shared that the Cutino Award winners have been selected and one of them is on our committee, Kaiya Dickens. There were 6 nominations, three male and three female. Josh Elmore, a Football player, is the male athlete Cutino Awardee.

6. Discuss Fundraising Plans to Support Athletics Academics (Beccie Michael)
 - Beccie shared ideas that have been drafted for the implementations and needs of this space. Beccie reminded the committee that before we start a campaign to raise funds, we should present the idea of the space and its vision with leadership and get some feedback from Cabinet.
 - At the last Cabinet meeting, Wendy came and presented the needs and the uses of the space to the group, and it was well received. Good news - everybody supports the repurposing to support athletes academically. However, Cabinet asked we do not use the name "Lobo Lab", since "lab" is a very specific name for academic classes, so the name is something we need to work on. Learning community was a term they proposed we try to incorporate.
 - The committee continued discussing the possible naming, noting that we would like to be inclusive of coaches and get their feedback as well.
 - Lobo Academic Zone (The Zone) was one of the favorite names and the tag line was "Boosting Athletic Academic Excellence." This name will be presented to coaches for feedback and see how they feel about it, this Friday.
 - The plan is to attend athletics events and games, have a booth, have a banner, and have a landing page explaining the project, the space, and its needs. Part of this idea is a QR code on display at games via sandwich boards to promote it.
 - Beccie shared some draft language with the committee, which received positive feedback. Beccie will ask Kristin Darken to help design the collateral for upcoming games, which she will bring to the next Committee meeting.
7. Continue Discussing/Updating 2023 Boosters Calendar (Committee)
 - Beccie presented the new draft calendar, which includes quite a few updates since the last time we met.
 - The committee discussed when it would be appropriate to make the open house for all donors, invite them on campus if they have donated and the date is not set in stone yet, but it looks like Sept or early October might work.
 - Wendy shared some of the games coming up this season that the boosters can attend. March 18th seems to be a good day for Baseball and Softball games. Beccie added to the calendar and we can decide for a game in April at our next meeting.
 - Beccie reminded the committee about the event coming up on March 10th, the Lobo Hall of Fame, which is a group of people that might seem to be supportive of the Lobo Zone.
8. Announcements:
 - Wendy mentioned again that Kaiya was awarded the Cutino Female Athlete of the Year award and will be recognized at the Lobo Hall of Fame event on March 10th.
 - Next meeting will be on Thursday 3/16 9:00am in the same spot (The Lobo Zone) old massage lab. An email with all meeting information will be sent out by Beccie.
9. Meeting adjourned by Tom Clifford at 09:59 a.m.