

DW Athletic Combine Minutes
Regular Combine Meeting- 6:00 p.m.
February 24, 2020 Meeting
Dayton
Committee Members Present

X	Superintendent Dayton- Doug Johnson		Superintendent Waitsburg- Mark Pickel
X	Principal Dayton- Kristina Brown	X	Principal Waitsburg- Stephanie Wooderchak
	Dayton AD- Nicki Luper		
X	Board Member Dayton-Dave Bailey	X	Board Member Waitsburg-Christy House
	Dayton Alumni- Jason Mings	X	Waitsburg Alumni- Johnny Watts
X	Dayton Community- Steve Martin	X	Waitsburg Community- Charlie Barron
X	Fiscal Agent-Paula Moisio		

Non- Committee Members Present: Wendy Richards, Karen Huwe, Dave Schreindl - Waitsburg Times, Roy and Kristin Ramirez, Carly Benavides and Zach Fabian

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Stephanie Wooderchak. Stephanie led the flag salute.

Public comment: Wendy Richards spoke to the issue of the Mascot selection process. She noted that her fifth grade class had put a large amount of time into research for the process, and the selection process period did not allow enough time for the input to be taken into consideration. Mrs. Richards felt that the mascot selection did sufficiently gather ideas from the community, staff and students. She was disappointed that a decision of this magnitude was not fully thought out and consistent between the two schools. Overall, Mrs. Richards said that she felt due process should have been done to insure the right decisions were made.

Agenda Items:

Mascot:

The new mascot (as selected by the ASB student bodies at Dayton and Waitsburg) is DW Wolf Pack. A logo will be developed. The process for developing the logo was discussed. The community will be asked for input on the logo. Submissions can be sent to Principal Brown and Principal Wooderchak. Suggestions will be taken through March 31, 2020- although as noted below the process may be delayed. The students will then be a part of the selection process. Mrs. Wooderchak said it would be put to the students whether it will be Wolf Pack (two words) or Wolfpack (one word). The colors will remain as they have been for the combine. Johnny asked about the mascot vote counts, and each principal noted the spread of votes at their respective schools. Charlie Barron expressed his disappointment in the process and noted that it did not go as intended. He noted that this committee was not consulted during the process after the initial meeting.

Wendy Richards noted there were suggestions sent in that were not considered in the process.

Dave Bailey noted that the information was on the school websites. Johnny noted he thought it was intended to be a process that would include the DW Combine Committee so that all entities could be represented.

Carly Benavides indicated that she talked with a student who indicated they were not aware of the extra suggestions that were made, and that at least one of the suggested mascots was submitted as a joke by students. Her concern was that the students did not take the process seriously.

Stephanie Wooderchak explained the process that went into play during the selection process. It was intended to be a student led decision process. Mrs. Wooderchak received the communication from Dayton with the request to slow down the process. The vote was initially delayed due to the request, but Dayton proceeded with the voting process. Once Dayton voted, Waitsburg proceeded. Mrs. Brown explained what occurred with the Dayton student involvement.

Steve Martin asked if we should re-visit the process and consider re-opening the mascot process. Roy Ramirez asked what is wrong with the new mascot, and why would we not go with what the kids selected. Johnny explained that part of the problem is not getting the buy in from the Alumni, the community, the committee, etc. by not being a bigger part of the process. Wendy explained the process that her students went through and again reiterated their input (and that of others) was not taken into consideration in the process. Karen Huwe explained the vote spread in Waitsburg and noted that in her opinion the information was shared effectively with the students in Waitsburg. Stephanie noted that she felt taking it back to the students would have negative connotations. Charlie Barron reminded the group to consider who is paying the bills- the community. He indicated the community needs to be involved with the details and need to have input in the process. Stephanie asked for a quick review of the last DW Combine minutes regarding the subject.

Conversation ensued on the subject with several concerns on both sides of the topic. Johnny noted the perception that things did not go as planned during the process and we need to make sure this type of thing does not happen again. It was decided to check back with the ASB students and leaders. The question to be presented to the ASB leadership is “do they feel the process was clear and reasonable?” If the students feel the process for the mascot selection was clear and reasonable, it would be up to the stakeholders to accept the decision. The question will go out to the advisors of the MS and HS ASB. They will be asked to provide individual narrative. The requested responses would be back by March 4 to both principals. Narratives will be shared but names will be removed. It was agreed that no matter how the narratives go, we need to learn from the mistakes made during this process.

Uniforms:

Nicki noted in the agenda that requests for new uniforms are coming in. The baseball uniforms have been purchased (leaving room for the mascot placement). Pants only are ordered for Softball. It is time to be getting the order placed for football. There is a commitment to get golf shirts and jackets ordered this year. Volleyball, cheer and girls basketball received new uniforms in the past 2 years. Boys' basketball received new jackets and pants last year and they ordered practice gear.

Site Supervisors:

Dayton- still open and will be looking for additional help to get through the spring sports

Coaching Positions:

Recently filled:

- Tracy Barron, HS Volleyball Head Coach
- Carly Benavides, HS Softball Head Coach
- Baseball Coaches- Watts and Bell- Changing to Co-Coaches

Need to be filled:

- MS/HS Assistant Track & Field

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- MS Head Baseball

Spring Sports:

The spring sports begin on Monday, March 2, 2020. There is a pre-season meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at the Waitsburg High School Auditorium. There was discussion about the available teams to play baseball and softball at the MS level, as well as issues with the anticipated participation. All aspects will be reviewed at the admin meeting in the next week prior to any decisions being made.

Spring Sports Transportation:

The spring sports practice bus schedule was discussed. There may be some changes to be worked out as participation numbers are known and other factors are assessed. Golf transportation was not listed on the schedule and needs to be addressed.

Winter Sports Banquet:

The banquet for winter sports will be held on March 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Waitsburg School District Multi-Purpose Room. Dinner will be provided and students will bring beverages and desserts. The parents and boosters will be asked to help with set up.

Booster Club for the Combine:

The group discussed the process for getting parents together to coordinate the melding of the two groups. Stephanie noted that it is not something for our group to facilitate, manage or lead. We can encourage it, but only in the sense of community spirit. It was noted that the Boosters interests are much broader than just athletics.

REPORTS:

Financial Report:

DW Athletic Combine YTD Report- Dayton

Month	September	October	November	December	January	February	YTD Total	Encumbered	Total	Budgeted
Salary/Benefits	\$18,262.69	\$16,850.60	\$19,485.75	\$10,652.25	\$13,824.78	\$13,518.21	\$92,594.28	\$82,021.28	\$174,615.56	\$138,957.16
Supplies/Other Services	\$2,563.67	\$1,154.71	\$6,953.22	\$1,738.86	\$2,654.35	\$582.59	\$15,647.40	\$4,546.46	20193.86	\$52,181.00
Transportation Costs*	\$2,687.52	\$5,550.43	\$10,894.92	\$2,324.80	\$8,947.30	\$11,739.63	\$42,144.60		\$42,144.60	\$71,000.00
Total	\$23,513.88	\$23,555.74	\$37,333.89	\$14,715.91	\$25,426.43	\$25,840.43	\$150,386.28	\$86,567.74	\$236,954.02	\$262,138.16

The numbers do not include costs incurred YTD from Waitsburg. Costs not included in totals: Spring sports transportation, basketball officials, baseball orders, etc.

School Board Reports:

Christy House: N/A

Dave Bailey: Hiring of coaches/ hired new Superintendent/ Mascot Vote

Additional Agenda Items for next month:

- Athletic Code of Conduct
- MS League Information
- Anticipated costs for 2020-2021 Budget
- Summer Programs

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting March 16, 2020 6:00 p.m. Location: Dayton

2019-2020 Regular Meeting Schedule:

Meeting Dates:

March 16, 2020	Dayton
April 20, 2020	Waitsburg
May 18, 2020	Dayton
June 15, 2020 BBQ	Waitsburg
July 2020 NO MEETING	
August 17, 2020	Dayton