

WFHS QUARTERBACK CLUB MEETING

Meeting Minutes, October 26, 2021

Basil Bethea (Chaplain) opened the meeting with prayer.

Sheldra Betties (Secretary) opened the meeting to discuss transportation and logistics for playoff games beginning November 12. Several charter companies have been contacted and there is a shortage of drivers for this date. Estimated that we will need two busses at the cost of about \$8000/each to drive to Jacksonville area for playoff game.

It was suggested that we ask if it is acceptable for parents to transport their own player and if it is possible to let other players ride along in private vehicles since we may only be able to get one bus. The car drivers would have to agree to travel behind the bus in a caravan to keep the team together for stops and meals. Tracy Moore will create a survey to find out how many parents are willing to caravan and carry additional passengers in case this is needed.

Coach Summerford informed us that the district would cover 50% of the transportation costs and he would fund the other half. He has requested that the QBC cover the costs of meals for the players. He suggested feeding the players sausage biscuits and orange juice for breakfast, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches (Crustables) for a snack and feed the players a big lunch on the road. Discussion followed for the larger meal to be at sit down restaurant (like Cracker Barrel). One of the parents offered to bring his catering equipment and feed the players. Another suggestion was to get Chick-fil-A ahead of time and keep in plug in warming bags. Nothing was decided.

It was discussed also that our funds starting the year were much lower than normal due to COVID preventing our season last year. We had very limited revenue because we had no home games. We have many expenses coming up: e.g., award banquets, senior gifts, player gifts for the banquets, and the costs of feeding students for potentially 3 weeks of playoffs and state championship, potentially needing overnight accommodation. With these things in mind, we need to boost revenue. Several ideas were discussed to raise money to cover these costs and to give us starting funds for next year. It was suggested to raise a minimum of \$20,000 to get us back to a comfortable place in our budget.

The trip to Wakulla costs us around \$1300 to feed the players at a restaurant and \$500 for pizza for the ride home. Sheldra requested donations via Remind and some of the players parents asked for help over Facebook. We brought in about \$1500 from that request.

We discussed venues for our upcoming banquets for JV and Varsity players. It was suggested to reduce costs to request use of the school cafeteria. One of the parents stated that Basketball was able to do their banquet there without any issue. It is getting harder to book venues as they are filling up quickly and they are higher costs now than before.