

Fund-Raising and Solicitation Sports Booster Clubs

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The Shelton Board of Education is responsible for providing funding for the safe and effective operation of the interscholastic sports program. There may be times when the Board of Education funding is not available to provide everything desired by coaches, students and parents and a Sports Booster Club would like to offer financial support. This Policy is designed to address those situations.

The Board recognizes and values the passion of families to raise funds for individual teams. The Board also recognizes and values the passion of families to raise funds for the overall student athletic program in Shelton. Thus, the Board understands that system-wide and team-specific Sports Booster Clubs may be created to assist students who participate in interscholastic sports program.

Definition

A Sports Booster Club is an organization comprised of, but not limited to, the parents of current interscholastic sports team members. Their functions are many, including attending games, assisting in social events, dinners, etc.; helping set up for games; providing services for fans (such as directions to games); assisting in equipment inventorying; and planning and overseeing post season awards events.

Notices

All Sports Booster Clubs must provide the following information:

- a. Submit annual financial report to both the Director of Finance, School Administrator, and Director of Athletics.
- b. Submit written forms regarding organizational by-laws, and the rules and procedures by which they operate to the Director of Finance, School Administrator, and Director of Athletics.
- c. Submit contact information for the designated contact person for the applicable season or school year to the School Administrator and Director of Athletics.
- d. Submit prior written notice of all fund raising activities, in accordance with Board Policy 1324.1, and its accompanying regulations, to the school administrator and the Director of Athletics.

Limitations on Fund-Raising and Donations

All Booster Club activities must adhere to Board of Education policies governing school fundraisers, school activities, field trips and gifts, grants and bequests to the school district.

All Board policies must be followed in disbursements and/or donations of Booster Club funds. In particular, the funds must not be inappropriate or harmful to the best educational interests of students, as determined by the administration and will not be in conflict with any provisions of the school code or public law. Moreover, if there are requests for disbursements of Club funds that create a condition of imbalance between sexes, the requested disbursement shall be denied until the balance can be attained.

All gifts, grants and bequests shall become school district property.

Administration

The Director of Athletics and School Administrator are responsible to monitor requests for disbursements and/or donations of funds.

The Superintendent will establish guidelines to ensure that the disbursements of individual Booster Club funds provide equivalent benefits and services to members of both sexes.

The School Administrator and the Director of Athletics shall have final approval of all fund-raising activities.