

Walpole High School XC/Track & Field Boosters' Meeting

April 6, 2026 6:45 pm WHS Large Conference Room

Call to Order: 6:50pm

Attendance: Bekah Ahern, Tony Barossi, Kristy Hunt, Melody Hugo, Lynette Donnelly, Erin Flynn, Elaine Mok, Susan Dias, Maureen Curran, Jen Zahurak, Corey Coogan, Christine Bemko, Ali Ahlfont, Adrienne Kingman, Nancy

Approval of Minutes and Correspondence: Motion to approve by Bekah. Lynette made a motion. Tony seconded. All approved.

Coaches Reports: Team is gearing up for the first meet this Wednesday. Line up will go out tonight. Equipment: school covered 75% of Spring asks, but will need Boosters to cover the other 25%. Next year equipment needs will be revisited at end of seasons instead of beginning. Winter items needed-but Rafferty will lead and need to figure out storage. Team feels good about hosting on 4/15. Sandpit filled. Vectors will go in this week in prep for home/sr night. Coaches are: Tringali, Murphy, Coogan, Roy 1for /2 time, Rafferty, Ganshirt, and Greener. Jen asked who is covered by school and what does booster cover. Coogan will double check—but feel Greener and Rafferty are covered above head coaches. Tony asked about pole vaulting. Coogan says it is hard to do since we have to travel to practice and takes away from team. We focus on pentathlon vs pole vault. Down the line we will revisit and continue to push to add pole vault insert, then we would need to get coaches certified. Right now we also don't have any athletes raising their hand. One specific ask: There is a meet during April break where they want to send one pentathlete on April 18th with a cost of \$24. Bekah asked Coaches to add any needs to the equipment list that she has.

We made a motion for Boosters to pay for measuring sticks (\$89), spade shovels (\$70), and rakes: (\$270). total dollar 476.55 with \$100 for shipping. Tony motion, Melody seconded, All approved.

Treasurer's Report: [Link To Balance Sheet](#) Donations have been coming in for road race, 2 banks for \$500 came in, and equipment ordered.

Vice Presidents' Report: Banners are in process of being complete, but we are tight for senior night. This year we have 39 seniors: 11 girls, 28 boys. Many kids did not show up for pictures—so we are scrambling. Four athletes will not get banners but will be recognized. Any pictures not picked by athletes, Dave Forrester will pick. Decided to do announcements before the meet, with cake after Lynette to confirm with coaches. Additionally, we have waters, plates, flowers (Jen will order and Bekah will pick up), Tony will bring balloons, ties and XC banners.

Scholarship Update: Selection Meeting is April 30. 13 applicants came in.

Fundraiser Update: Erin suggested Irish Brewing on May 21st. There is no cost for room, free to do any games, raffles. The brewery does not close for event, just blocks an area. Erin will look at space and confirm details on Wednesday. The event will be a true parents night out and we will decide to do bingo, 50/50 raffle, etc. We made enough with the Super Bowl squares we typically get for a trivia night—so we don't need to do another event. Want to send a sign up for rough numbers—sign up genius or google survey to get a count. Susan volunteered to emcee. \$5/card. Start time 7pm.

Other Discussion: Tony asked for volunteers for XC VP next year. Melody Hugo expressed interest, as well as Tracy Black. We will vote in May if possible.

Adjournment: 7:29pm

*NOTE: WRR Meeting will follow Booster meeting.

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Next Meetings:

Monday, May 4, 2026