

For this presentation Boosters mean all groups designed to support school activities such as PTA/PTO/Scholarship Committees/Senior Trip committees/Robotics/Alumni Associations, Equestrian, Sports Boosters, etc.

Top 10 Rules

which help explain

ASB Funding, Finance, Law, Rules and Regulations and the assistance that Boosters can provide

1. Public money, generated by the students or in the name of students, may be used only for Cultural, Athletic, Recreational, or Social, purposes, which are optional, and non-credit.

Booster Advantage: Booster donations also can be used to supplement these activities.

2. Money raised during the school day, and/or on school property, and/or using school personnel, and/or school materials is public money.

Booster Advantage: Following certain School Board policies, money can be raised in compliance with this rule and keep the ownership with the Boosters.

3. ASB funds are restricted public funds and cannot be used for curricular purposes.

Booster Advantage: Private money can be used for supporting classes and coursework.

4. Co-curricular is not a legal term. Only curricular and extra-curricular are defined in the law.

Booster Advantage: Booster money can be granted to the school to cover the curricular use of shared equipment or supplies.

5. Public money cannot be given away for private use.

Booster Advantage: Booster money is private money.

6. Students and staff must collaborate on the generation and use of public money.

Booster Advantage: The Booster Board of Directors decides the use of the private money.

7. You must have a system to monitor and protect the use of public money.

Booster Advantage: The Boosters have the same requirements to protect the generation and use of their private funds.

8. You must follow the federal, state, school board, and your own rules about ASB.

Booster Advantage: Similar requirements for Federal and State reporting, plus the Boosters must follow their Articles of Incorporation.

9. In a corporate sense, the Principal is the CEO and CFO; the school board is the Board of Directors.

Booster Advantage: Boosters are a nonprofit corporation.

10. The State Auditor is only one of many regulatory agencies interested in ASB.

Booster Advantage: Boosters, as a private business, must comply with WA State and Federal agency oversight.