

BAND BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

November 4th, 2002

ATTENDEES:

Renata Allelujka, John Anderson, Barb Baxter, Lynne Carr, Wes Falli, Roger Johns, Mimi Johnson, Cheryl Jones, Karen Mink, Craig Roselieb, Laurie Smith, Geri Sorwell, Betty Wakerly, Louise Wehr, Liz Wentink, Steve Wentink, Renee Vollrath, Debbie Ziomek, Mike Ziomek, Beth Durfey

ABSENT: Lynn Barna, Tahra Harris, Ron Hornish, Carla Harrison, and Charlene Kelly

Minutes:

Approved with several typo corrections.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The checking account balance was \$20,922.92 and the Savings Account if \$7003.00. The updated budget statement was explained. Some of the deficits are due to the expenses being early in the year and the fund-raisers are later in the year.

Due to questions and the Band Bowl money, the Budget Committee will meet in December, and present their findings and results at the January Board Meeting.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Student Account Balance as of November 4, 2002 = \$16,502.57. There was an addition of \$4,560 due to candy bar sales and Music Bowl ads. There is no Florida money deducted from the accounts.

BAND DIRECTORS:

Updated roster of all students in the different bands was provided.

The different Jazz Bands will have competitions and/or performances next year on January 18th, 25th, 29th, February 6th, and March 15th.

Still working on the Big American Flag for the new competition, Indianapolis.

Chaperones for Indianapolis - still being taken care of. Rooming lists will be done and available shortly, based upon the cabins for Band Camp, though they will still be subject to change.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

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Bylaws - please review when you get the revised set. Basic content will remain the same, but the references for voting will be more concise and exact, with the true duties of each board position more precisely reflected. The language will be clean up to be more precise.

IMEA - November 16th Jazz festival. Still need volunteers.

On the concert programs, we will add a section thanking those who paid the \$50 voluntary fee for Band Boosters.

Scholarships for Florida - 36 have indicated interest for the Florida trip. In checking the history, \$8500 was given out for Hawaii, reducing the Scholarship Fund to only \$1500. We still only have \$1700 in the fund. Due to this, it was decided not to give out any scholarships at this time with no negative votes.

One of the Band Parents passed away due to cancer. A donation will be made in her name, not to exceed \$75.00.

VICE PRESIDENT - COMMUNICATIONS:

There will be notes in the next newsletter about the various upcoming jazz events.

Jazz Café - will be communicated to all about it. Betty Wakerly and Beth Durfey will work on it. The plan is to keep it casual.

Everything is due November 12th for the next newsletter. Have everything in to Renata Allelujka by then, including Music Bowl pictures. It is working well having everything go through Renata.

Web Page - Frank will call Roger with the updates to be placed on the website.

VICE PRESIDENT - WAYS AND MEANS:

Market Day:

Last Market Day - \$390 into students' accounts, and \$228 into Booster's account.

Fund Raising:

Valucard - raised \$1240, \$620 each for student's accounts and Band Boosters. Next year - maybe only one?

Cheesecakes - will start November 14th and run through December 6th, with pickup December 17th. There will be samples at both November concerts, November 14th and 26th.

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Butter Braid - will run February 11-28th; delivery will be 3/15; pick up will be between 1-3 that day. We will have 8 units for samples at the February 13th concert.

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EQUIPMENT:

The platform needs repairs - Mike will work on it. Mike will work with Craig on the details for driving to Indianapolis and related duties.

HISTORY AND TRADITION:

Need pictures from the past years or the present.

Trophies - need to be updated and displayed for all to see.

MARKETING / PUBLIC RELATIONS

At the Marching Band Banquet, there will be pictures shown on a Power Point presentation.

BAND BOWL:

Band Bowl is over, and was very successful, despite the wet weather. Many thanks to all the chairpersons that did a fine job and to all the volunteers. Our profit was approximately \$8200, which is slightly less the \$10,000 that was projected. However, our start-up costs were about \$8000, which for the most part, we would not have to repeat next year. Our date next year is Oct 11, 2003, which the administration gave to us the Monday after the competition. Deb Massa will shadow Barb, so that she would be prepared to take over from Barb.

SOCIAL:

Marching Band Celebration - Will be at the Marriott in Oak Brook, and they are being very accommodating. They will provide centerpieces for each table and a project for the Power Point Presentation. They are a sponsor of the Band Bowl - we should consider them for 2004 for the end of the year Band Banquet.

UNIFORMS:

The uniforms have been cleaned, this time by SparKleen. They definitely did a nice job and on schedule.

VOLUNTEERS:

Nothing to report.

WATER:

Doing well - under budget.

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OLD BUSINESS:

The stands and decals for Jazz Band is still on hold - maybe hold a special fund raiser just for this? This will say only DGS Jazz or something similar, rather than two different versions for the different Bands.

NEW BUSINESS:

The question of putting the minutes on the web site was discussed, but was not agreed to, as it may prevent parents from attending the meetings.

Trophy case was discussed. First - the present one needs to be updated, as soon as the locks are fixed. New bulletin boards will be added to the hallway. For the future, we need a new case for all the trophies. This may be a joint effort with the Fine Arts group. We may have a proposal by the next meeting.

An extremely concerned parent, Bill Vollrath, sent an open letter to the entire Band Board about the financial situation of the Band Boosters organization, and how the money is spent. They include:

- ◆ Need to keep parents informed. These financial problems are not apparent to parents coming the meetings or from the minutes.
- ◆ The annual costs for Marching Band drastically affects the number of students.
- ◆ The Board must make a better effort to stay within budget.
- ◆ The Band Bowl profits should be used, at least partially, to reduce the annual costs to the Marching Band students.
- ◆ Every effort should be made to get our 'fair share' from the district. Are we getting our fair share, especially as compared to DGN?
- ◆ Student Accounts - should this money be used to balance the budget? Is this really a good practice?

Meeting started at 7:32 p.m. and was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Next Meeting is Monday, December 2nd, 2002
AT 7:30 PM in Room D180