

Mustang Band Booster Meeting December 6, 2004

President Sandy Liedtke called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Members in attendance included: Peggy O'Dell, Mike Legel, Tom Danko, Randy Mink, Nancy Poch, Mimi Johnson, Julie Benes, Kelly Mueller, Deb Massa, Craig Roselieb, Renata Allelujka, Joanne Djuric, Terry Griffin, Karen Rooney, Margaret Legel, Kim Bokowski, Tracy Danko, and Doti Strening.

Absent executive board members include: Nancy Warmoth, Mimi Fruehe, Karen Mink, Terri Vanderjack, Ginger Brese, and Russ O'Dell

Minutes

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. A motion was made to accept the minutes and they were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Tom Danko passed out a 3 page budget report to all members present for review. He reported that pretty much all areas were within budget except for Marching Mustangs fundraising. We are still working on that. The last London payment was made. The London budget is showing in the negative because of additional fees from the airline that were charged and the optional items which had to be purchased ahead of time: the Tower of London tickets, the tube tickets and grandstand seats for the parade. The students will be reimbursing for these items and the London budget will be in balance. We have added an additional person going on the trip, he is a jazz guitarist and he will be paying his own airfare and fees.

The Jazz Band fund is in the negative currently, however, they have a gig this weekend and that will make up the deficit.

There is an additional \$75 that will be added to the Community Bank account from new account opened at Mid America Bank.

Deb Massa asked the status of families who are due refunds from their London payments. Tom Danko will coordinate with Nancy Warmoth and make sure all refunds are issued.

Financial Secretary's Report

Mimi was unable to attend, but Sandy gave her report. The most up to date report was emailed to board members. We began with \$13,459.02 in student accounts, added revenue from Market Day, Music Bowl ads, Value Cards, and Candy Bars for a total of \$686.41. We paid out \$4,703.17 to end with a balance of \$9,442.26.

Band Directors Report

Craig expressed his thanks for all the support and commitment for the Thanksgiving Day parade in Chicago. The parade in Downers Grove was the biggest parade they have had and we added \$375 to the Downers Grove parade profit.

The November concerts were wonderful and we were very pleased with all the bands' performances. Next year they will try not to schedule on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving as some students had to miss because of being out of town.

This Tuesday is the Holiday Concert rehearsal and Thursday evening is the concert in the gym. We will announce the piece of music being commissioned to honor Mrs. Hires retirement at the Holiday concert. Mr. Roselieb has spoken to Mr. Mulholland who will be writing an arrangement customized for the talent of our wind ensemble.

The Jazz Band has a gig in December. The Brass Choir will be caroling in downtown Downers Grove in December.

We have a total of 122 going on the London trip.

It worked out that the jazz band will be able to perform while we are in London, so we have added Luke Johnson as guitarist. The combined bands will do the same numbers they have performed in their previous concerts. For the parade, we will be performing Daydream Believer and Hooray for Hollywood. Late in November they finalized the contract and the additional surcharge was reduced to \$19 from \$34 per person. This is being called a fuel surcharge. We asked if the total cost of the trip was locked in earlier? Craig relayed that he was not entirely pleased with this travel group and how all the arrangements were handled. Craig will put together a memo regarding the additional costs and consolidating the info on rooms, packing uniforms, etc. Students who are carrying the banners, they will wear all white tennis shoes. For the students in the concert bands, they must wear their concert black attire as required for the wind ensemble and wind symphony bands. If they do not have the appropriate items already, it was suggested that they may be able to borrow from friends. It may be a bit more difficult for the boys than the girls. Craig feels this is very important as we want to represent our school in the most professional manner.

We have the date for next year's Music Bowl, it will be October 1st.

President's Report

Sandy Liedtke thanked everyone working on the concerts, parades, social activities and cheesecake fundraiser. Thank you to all board members for their help. Sandy is continuing to collect the London money. This is going well.

Vice President of Communications Report

Fanfare

Peggy O'Dell reported that the deadline for the next Fanfare is Dec. 8th and will try to publish before the 13th. The email address for submissions is peggy.odell@lamlc.com.

Website

Jerry Olsen and John Knepper were not present to make a report. Deb Massa reported that she had been getting scam mail asking for password and pin info and warned everyone to be careful.

Vice President of Ways and Means Report

Valuecards: Mike Legel reported that the account should be up to date soon.

Market Day: Mike Legel reported that Market Day had a very large sale in December and the gross profit is around \$1200.

Butter Braids: Mike Legel reported that he has been in touch with the salesperson for this fundraiser.

Merchandise: Margaret Legel reported that they are \$450 over expected budget. She still has ornaments available. There was no shop and share money from November, they are looking into buying pounds for the trip participants with the shop and share proceeds.

Vice President of Membership Report

Nancy Warmoth was not present to make her report. Sandy Liedtke reported that Nancy will assemble the list of people who are due refunds from the London trip and forward it to Tom Danko. Nancy will be working on collecting the money for fundraising expectations.

Equipment Coordinator's Report

Russ O'Dell was not present and Peggy O'Dell reported that there was no news to report.

History/Tradition Secretary's Report

Kelly Mueller said she had nothing new to report

Marketing/Public Relation Coordinator's Report

Randy Mink said he had nothing new to report. Some board members reported that the school newspaper had a nice article about the band program. The Jazz events will need to be publicized but it was decided to discuss this further in January.

Videography

Mike Legel reported that the Music Bowl video has been shipped. The Marching season video is 80% done and Mr. McCormick's slide show from the band banquet will be on there. We may possibly convert other videos from previous years from VHS to DVD. Both parades are on the website: mustangbandimages.com. The London trip will be available for purchase. Please forward any still pictures from the London trip to Mike Legel.

Mustang Music Bowl Coordinator's Report

Deb Massa reported the date for next year's Music Bowl is October 1. This year's bowl profit is at \$24,148.84. We are expecting one more check in for \$500. She reminded us that this is a very high profit with the wonderful weather we had and so much food donated. It would be hard to duplicate or top this next year.

Deb reported that they already have some bands interested in participating next year. We have a very good reputation as a high quality competition.

Social Activities Coordinator's Report

Nancy Poch reported that the refreshments at the concerts have gone well so far and thanked Renata and Mason Kelly.

Chaperone Coordinator's Report

Renata Allelujka reported that the Thanksgiving Day parade went well and remarked that it was an easy assignment.

Uniform Coordinators Report

Mimi Johnson reported the uniforms are not going to London in boxes, they will have to be packed in each student's luggage. The hats will be shipped in large boxes. The uniforms are currently out being cleaned. The chaperones on the London trip will make sure that each student hangs up their uniform in their hotel room.

Volunteer Coordinators Report

Julie Benes reported that she has added the jazz activities to the website.

Parent Coordinators Report

Color Guard: Joanne Djuric reported that the color guard had a very good year with two 1st place and one 3rd place win. Nickie Griffin, a member of the color guard, was elected Homecoming Queen. Joanne, Chris and Terry Griffin washed by hand all of the flags after the Lincoln Way competition because they were very dirty and muddy.

Lamar has done a great job with the color guard this year with creating routines and training the members.

Their budget is \$178.44 ahead by Joanne's figures.

They are not happy with the quality of the uniforms purchased from Holy Cow. They are working with Holy Cow to get complete replacements on all the uniforms because the quality was not satisfactory. Holy Cow has told them that they have uniforms in better material.

Deby Massa has agreed to buy containers for the flags from the Music Bowl profit. They are still looking for the most suitable container.

Joanne reported that they have already found 3 people to replace their positions for next year.

Percussion: Doti Strening reported that the Indoor Percussion auditions were last week. At the parent meeting, they rolled out the show concept – "Clue". This is a serious piece of music. There will be a tarp painted as the game board and the students will have costumes that relate to the game. They have had many parents volunteer. The fees have been increased by \$50 because of extensive set and costumes. The small gym has been reserved by Mr. Roselieb for Monday and Wednesday nights for December, January and February. Doti reported that Adam wanted the rehearsals on Monday and Wednesday for December, but then changed to Tuesday and Thursday to accommodate his student teaching schedule. Adam and Bart will need to meet with Mr. Roselieb to discuss the indoor percussion schedule.

Water

Pat and John Hoyt were not there and there was no report.

BOA

Constance Markham was not there and there was no report.

Fall Banquet

Constance Markham was not there and there was no report.

Jazz

Kim Bokowski reported that the jazz band has a gig on December 12th. She asked Mr. Roselieb what the call time was and he said there would be a flyer passed out tomorrow. They need a full size van to transport the vibes.

The Jazz Cafe will be run the same as in previous years. They will sell drinks and munchies on the tables.

Frank and Kim need lists from the directors, the 3rd jazz band list will be sent when it is available.

Miscellaneous

Renata thanked all who donated to the care packages for the servicemen . Her sons orchestrated this community service project. They have raised \$1500 in cash donations which will go to pay for the shipping. There will be a shipment before Christmas and another one after.

New Business

Sandy Liedtke reported that the nominating committee will be formed in January, so start thinking about your plans for next year or looking for a suitable replacement for your position.

Announcements

Sandy Liedtke announced that the next meeting is January 10th at 7:30 pm.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.