

Mustang Band Booster Meeting Monday, January 9, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

President Sandy Liedtke called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. Members in attendance included: Renata Allelujka, Monika Cunningham, Tom Danko, Tracy Danko, Marla Hoffmeyer, Jeff Horvath, Ed Kopytko, Terry Kopytko, Margaret Legel, Mike Legel, Sandy Liedtke, Alice Luetger, Constance Markham, Karen Medek, Diane Mendoza, Peggy O'Dell, Russ O'Dell, Karen Rooney, Craig Roselieb, Laura Sorce, Nancy Warmoth, Glenn Williams, and Terri Vanderjack.

Absent Executive Board members were: Deby Massa, and Karen Miller.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were presented by Recording Secretary, Marla Hoffmeyer. Mike Legel moved that the minutes be approved, Terri Vanderjack seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by those in attendance, 14 to 0.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Tom Danko reported the Marching Mustang income from the month consisted of additional fundraising money, and he received more tonight at the meeting. There was also Shop 'N' Share money received of \$240. For the year, the marching band is about \$1,600 over budget.

General Band income is from membership fees, a deposit from Band Specialties, cheesecakes and Market Day. Under expenses for the month is one called "Band Banquet Guests" which is the deposit paid to Ashyana for the spring banquet. The "Percussion Equipment" expense title has been changed to "Chamber Music Staff" per our last meeting. The General Band fund is under budget by approximately \$7,300.

The General Band and Marching Band have a combined profit at this time of \$5,731. On the Checking Account Summary, the Jazz Band Fund is now positive since the trip funds have been received.

Tom asked about moving some of the money from the savings account into a certificate of deposit where we could earn 4% rather than the 2% we are currently earning. We should have sufficient cash flow so we will not be short on funds and there are currently no unpaid bills. There was some discussion as to the amount that should be moved to a CD, and it was agreed that about \$7,000 should be moved.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Laura Sorce reported the beginning balance in Student Accounts as of December 4, 2005 was \$11,170.10. Revenue this past month came from cheesecake sales \$592.50. Expenses were for Music Lessons and the Purdue Jazz Festival totaling \$534.00. The balance in Student Accounts, as of January 8, 2006, is \$11,228.60.

Sandy told Laura that she received an e-mail from Mark Samel about Bike 'N' Hike money he is sending which will be going into students' accounts.

BAND DIRECTORS' REPORT

Craig reported that tomorrow night is Jazz Café. He asked if anyone is working on refreshments since there is no Jazz coordinator. Sandy will send an e-mail and several people offered to bring refreshments. Terri Vanderjack offered to help serve.

Tuesday, February 21 is marching band recruitment night. The directors and staff have met and are working on the calendar. They are also selecting music and discussing the show. The Music Bowl date is October 7. The freshman Open House for the school will be on Monday, January 30 and Wednesday, February 1. Craig asked as many Board members as possible to be in the Field House to talk to the parents. There was discussion about the music presentation in the band room as to whether it would be just a band presentation or if it would be combined with the choir.

The trip next year will be to San Francisco from March 25 through April 1 for the San Francisco Heritage Festival. This is to be a Concert and Jazz band trip not a Marching Band trip. Bob Rogers travel agency is working on a detailed itinerary which has to be submitted to the School Board for approval so that it can be announced at Open House.

Glenn stated that the Purdue Jazz Festival is next weekend. There will be 150 bands participating plus workshops for the students. Craig then passed out the newly revised trip permission form for everyone to see.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Sandy Liedtke passed around a sign up sheet for Open House. She said that there are no t-shirts left, but there are other things that can be given to anyone who signs up for marching band. There was a second sheet going around for Board members to indicate if they will continue to serve in their current positions on the Board. Sandy asked for help recruiting new Board members and for volunteers for the Nominating Committee. Marla Hoffmeyer, Alice Luetger and Karen Rooney volunteered to serve on the committee. Tracy Danko moved and Terri Vanderjack seconded the motion to approve the committee members. The motion carried 14 to 0.

VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATIONS' REPORT

Fanfare:

Peggy O'Dell gave February 6 as the deadline for submissions to the next Fanfare. She asked for photos from the Jazz Café and the Purdue Jazz Festival.

Website:

Jerry Olsen and John Knepper were not present. Sandy reported that Jerry Olsen e-mailed her indicating that he will be returning next year to do the website work.

VICE PRESIDENT OF WAYS AND MEANS' REPORT

Merchandise:

Shop 'N' Share – Margaret Legel reported that Shop and Share totals are in. We made \$153 in August, \$116 in October and \$124 in November for a total of \$393. This is \$107 short of the \$500 budgeted. Last year we made \$633 and had three times as many participants. It appears that in November, people did not remember to take the forms with them or shopped on the weekends, which are not program dates.

Concert sales – The last the bills and deposits have been submitted. No further activity is expected until summer which will be in next year's budget.

Cheesecakes:

Monika Cunningham announced that the cheesecake sale is done.

Market Day:

Karen Rooney stated that the Market Day orders are due Wednesday, pick up is Saturday. This is not a Band sale, however.

Plant Sales:

Margaret Legel and Karen Rooney will have the order forms ready for the Freshman Open House. The orders are due Monday, April 10, and pick up will probably be Saturday morning, May 6. They will be receiving the prices and selections available from Peterman's Greenhouse by Friday, January 20.

Butter Braids:

Karen Medek reported that the tentative dates for the Butter Braid sales will be Monday, February 13 through Thursday, March 2. Delivery will be March 11 and will coincide with Market Day. There are some new flavors this year and Karen will have samples at the February concerts.

VICE PRESIDENT OF MEMBERSHIP'S REPORT

Nancy Warmoth stated that five people are left to pay for fundraising, one of which said they paid and are looking for the cancelled check. The other four students' parents are saying that it is the student's responsibility not theirs. It was noted by the Board that the contract is signed by both the student and a parent, so this is a parent and student responsibility. There was some discussion regarding the \$400 vs. \$500 fee payment. Nancy said that the parents would like to know that it is \$500 up front and are confused about the \$100 coming out of fundraising. There was discussion about the additional benefits to the band from fundraisers over and above the \$500 fees. Since the band relies on the additional income from fundraisers, we need to encourage students to participate in them. Tom Danko suggested a rebate to the students accounts for those participating in fundraisers.

EQUIPMENT COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Russ O'Dell had nothing to report.

HISTORY/TRADITION SECRETARY'S REPORT

Historian – Mike Legel had nothing new to report.

Video – Mike announced that the Music Bowl DVD's have been shipped. He has received favorable feedback about the video from the other high schools that participated in the Bowl. Chuck Gunn, Monika Cunningham, Ed Kopytko, Katie Legel, Kristin Rooney, Becky Legel, Kathy Kopytko, Russ and Peggy O'Dell took great pictures and videos.

MARKETING/PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Renata said that tomorrow night's Jazz Café is the start of the recruiting season. She has spoken to a reporter about the Café. It is a good opportunity for us to talk to the parents and make them feel welcome.

MUSTANG MUSIC BOWL COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Deby Massa was not present. Sandy reported that the last of the money has come in. The sponsorship money from the Village of Downers Grove was \$2,100. We are still looking for a Music Bowl chair for next year.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES COORDINATORS' REPORT

Concerts:

Tracy Danko stated that there has not been anything lately, and the next events are the February concerts.

Spring Banquet:

Terry Kopytko reported that we have a contract with Ashyana. It will be a sit down dinner with a choice of two entrees – chicken or beef, plus side dishes. They have a huge screen for viewing and they should be able to accommodate everyone comfortably. The cost will be about \$17 per person. The deposit has been paid and there is no further money due until the week before the banquet.

UNIFORM COORDINATORS' REPORT

Terri Vanderjack and Diane Mendoza had nothing to report.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Alice Luetger had nothing to report.

PARENT COORDINATORS' REPORTS

Color Guard:

Karen Fraticola, Peggy Caraher and Jeanne Jeziorski were not present, so there was no report.

Percussion:

Doti Strening was not present, so there was no report.

BOA Trip Coordinator:

Constance Markham mentioned that the renovation of the Marriott we usually use is complete, so we have a choice of Marriotts for next year. Ed Kopytko asked if we are going to St. Louis next year for BOA. Craig said no, because it is the same date as ISU. The competition in Indianapolis is a regional competition, St. Louis is a “super regional”.

Jazz:

The coordinator position is open, so there was no report.

Mentoring:

Ed and Terry Kopytko announced that they will be at Open House to talk to parents. Craig said that he will introduce them at that time. Ed will have the Frequently Asked Questions on the website ready by then.

Water:

Pat Hoyt was not present, there was no report.

MISCELLANEOUS, UNFINISHED BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS:

Karen Rooney asked about the Midwest Music Festival at Lemont High School. Craig responded that it is in the morning and the students are done by noon.

Renata asked the Board for their thoughts to her e-mail regarding the opportunity for the band to run the parking garage during Heritage Fest. It was agreed that this would yield a greater return for the amount of effort required. We used 85 students and 30 parents in prior years. We will probably need only a few more people because even though the hours are longer, fewer people will be needed per shift. The village does want only one contact person for all of Heritage Fest, and there was discussion about who that person might be since there is no Heritage Fest chair for next year. Renata asked Craig if we have the required certificate of insurance, and he responded that we do. Renata will see that the application is submitted to the village by the due date of January 18.

There were no other miscellaneous items or other business, so the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.