

**Community High School District 99 – South Campus**  
**Mustang Band Boosters**  
**April 12, 2010**

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- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Cathy Jama at 7:05 p.m. Board members in attendance were Cathy Jama, Kathy Gabric, Karen Rooney, Alene Ackerman, Paul Meek, Laura Sorce, Lynn Strantz, Jill Pruett, Cheri Kirkpatrick, Wally Olewinski, Mike Klimczak, Lynn Filla-Clark, Cathy Olewinski, Bonnie Peterson, Terri Piekarski, Gary Kral, Craig Roselieb, Ron Hornish, Pat Tanabe, Maria Garza, Mary Ann Hays, & Joe Strantz.

Guest: Andrea Swick (Student Band President), & Scott Oliver (Student Teacher).

- II. **Student Band President Report:** Andrea Swick reported that the 2010/2011 Marching Band season has started and students are rehearsing the Memorial Day Parade music in period 5A. The musical Godspell is being performed this week – April 15-17 – and there are some band students in the play. Reports from students who went on the Florida trip is that it was very successful and a lot of fun. Andrea asked the Board what student volunteer needs may be coming up. The Board advised her of the following: April 22 Spring Banquet – 6 students for set up at 5 pm and 6 students for breakdown after the banquet but before the awards program in the Auditorium; Music Bowl mailing – Cathy Olewinski will email Andrea details closer to the time; May 1 Plant Sale – from 7-11:30am; Band registration mailing – Craig Roselieb will provide Andrea with details.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Lynn Strantz presented the minutes for vote and Karen Rooney made the motion to approve the presented March 8, 2010 minutes, seconded by Wally Olewinski, for approval. The Board unanimously approved the minutes at 7:10 p.m.

- IV. **Treasurer's Report:** Paul Meek reported the following:

Total cash receipts during the month of March were \$31,078, while total cash disbursements were \$41,526. The primary sources of cash were as follows: 2010-2011 Marching Band Fees - \$12,153; Orlando Trip Payments - \$10,308; 2009 Music Bowl Grant - \$5,000; and Butter Braid Payments – \$2,420.

The major categories of payments during the month were: Orlando Final Payment - \$34,025; Butter Braids Purchase - \$1,450; Payments to Chamber Music Instructors - \$1,180; Payments from Student Accounts - \$842; Jazz Fund Payment - \$823; and Spring Banquet Deposit - \$802.

Total Cash On Hand at February 28 = \$67,503.

2010/2011 Budget Vote

Following discussion and prior review by the Board, Karen Rooney made the motion, seconded by Mike Klimczak, to approve the 2010-2011 Marching Mustangs and General Band Budgets as presented. The Board unanimously approved the budgets at 8:18 p.m.

- V. **Secretary of Student Accounts:** Laura Sorce reported the following:

The balance in Student Accounts as of February 28, 2010, was \$10,428.27. Revenue in March was from the Lollipop Sale, and from February Market Day, totaling \$883.09. Expenses in March were for Music Lessons and Expenses, Orlando and Germany trip payments, and Marching Band payments. Total expenses in March were \$1452.61.

The balance in Student Accounts, as of March 31, 2010, was \$9,858.75.

Email reminders have been sent out regarding senior student accounts.

- VI. **Band Directors' Report:** Craig Roselieb reported on the following:

**A. Florida Trip**

- The trip performances were extremely successful, from the quality group of 63 students.

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- Bob Rogers Travel did a wonderful job with transportation and the trip itinerary.
- Future trips: the Orchestra will travel this summer to Germany. Mr. Roselieb suggested that discussions are scheduled for early Fall to begin the planning process for the next band trip, including possible venues, costs, type of trip, etc.

**B. Marching Mustangs**

- Arrangement of the 2010/2011 season's music is halfway done.
- The current Marching Band numbers are around 120 students.
- Calendar and payment updates – handout sent out on March 15. Cancelled YIM and replaced with the University of Illinois competition in Champaign – the Marching Band will stay overnight Saturday night after this competition. ISU will take place the following week. The Prospect competition has been added for the October 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend; another football game has been added in August, giving a total of 6 performances for football (5 at DGS, 1 at DGN). Marching Band fee payments have been reduced by \$100 for the 2010/2011 season – the last payment (May) will be \$50 instead of \$150 originally proposed. Each marching band family will be responsible to pay a \$55 student activity fee that will be applied to competition transportation costs provided by the school.
- July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade this year only in Downers Grove on Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Contest fees all paid by District on July 1 – except University of Illinois, which will be paid by the Boosters.

**C. Wind Ensemble/Wind Symphony Auditions**

- **Part 2** – April 12 - 16 – IMEA Etudes/Sight Reading. The audition results will be sent to counselors before the final schedule is set next week.

**D. Band Field Trips**

- Symphonic Band will be traveling to Vandercook – Thursday, April 22, 2010. A minimum of 2 adult volunteers (1 per bus) will be needed.
- Wind Ensemble to ISU – Saturday, April 24, 2010. Mr. Roselieb will distribute the itinerary shortly.

**E. Wind Ensemble to University of Illinois Superstate – Saturday, May 8, 2010 **Band Banquet****

- Awards have been voted on, ordered & will all arrive in time for the banquet
- Dinner will be in the café and awards in the Auditorium
- Katie Danko, Kaitlyn Gabric & Kelly Lamorena will present the mock awards and the senior Power Point Presentation.

**F. General Band Registration**

After discussion, it was agreed that the General Band registration form, volunteer form, information on the \$50 registration fee and the \$50 Band Booster fee will be sent electronically to all current and incoming band students.

**VII. President's Report: Cathy Jama reported the following:**

- **FOFA:** FOFA has extra cookie dough to sell. If you've missed out on placing an order, please refer to Gloria's April 9, 2010 email for the list of extras they have to sell. Pick up is scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 6:00 pm in the Orchestra room. Choir and several band members are working on this year's Musical "Godspell" opening on Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> and runs through Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are still available for purchase through the Student Activities office.
- **Nominating Committee:** Cathy thanked the Nominating Committee, Alene Ackerman, Lynn Filla-Clark, Cathy Olewinski and Laura Sorce for compiling this year's slate of candidates for the 2010/2011 Booster Boards. Voting on the slate will take place later in the meeting. In addition, Cathy's goal is to have a President candidate identified by the end of this year. If you have know of anyone that you would feel

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would be willing to take on this position, please let Cathy Jama know so that she may start the conversation.

- **Scholarships:** One scholarship application for Marching Band has been received. The deadline to submit an application is Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **Fundraising:** There are plans in the work for adult only fundraisers. More details will follow. Maria Garza will be checking out an Adult Night at Hollywood Blvd in Woodridge.
- **Bylaws Committee:** Revision of the bylaws has been referred to throughout the year and like all good plans, this year is almost over, and this hasn't happened yet. However, it will be a top priority for the President this upcoming year to get it done. Cathy will appoint a special committee in June to begin the review in order that something will be ready to present to the Board by the end of the year.
- **Thank You:** Cathy expressed her heartfelt appreciation and thanks to Roman Jama, Wally & Cathy Olewinski, Jill Pruett and Maria Garza for giving up their spring breaks to chaperone the band to Orlando, Florida. Even though it was tiring at times, the chaperones had a lot of laughs and she couldn't have asked for better travel mates than these dedicated parents.

**VIII. Vice President of Membership's Report:** Alene Ackerman reported the following:

- A. Marching Mustangs: As of 4/10/10, 120 students have enrolled in Marching Band, 108 intent forms, 94 contracts, and 46 medical forms have been received for the Marching Mustangs. There have been 2 drops. A total of \$15,866.78 has been collected, and \$32,113.22 remains to be collected.
- B. General Band: As of 4/10/10, a total of \$4,800 in Booster membership dues has been submitted for the 2009-10 school year. \$50 for Membership fees was submitted to the treasurer. There are currently 92 families that have joined the Mustang Band Boosters. We have also received matching funds from one Corporation.
- C. Orlando: There were 63 students and 6 adults who participated. All amounts due (\$82,619.50) were collected.

**IX. Spring Banquet**

The deadline for reservations for the April 22<sup>nd</sup> Spring Banquet has been extended to Wednesday, April 14. Photos of the various bands will be placed on the tables and band recording will play in the background during the dinner. Wally Olewinski will send out emails requesting adult volunteers to assist with tickets, set-up and break-down.

**X. Vice President of Ways & Means Report:**

- A. **Butter Braids** (Nadine Bahaveolos): No report.
- B. **Market Day** (Tracy Danko): The February 20 sale: student profit \$157.09, general band \$329.88 for a total of \$486.97. The next sale is April 17. May is not a band Market Day, but June, July, & August are ONLY band. Thanks were expressed to the new chairs stepping up - Mrs. Fuller & Mrs. Reimer.
- C. **Store Fundraisers** (Ellen Casey): No report.
- D. **Plant Sale:** About 160 orders were collected through last Friday, which is a bit behind last year's pace. This year's sales will be less than 2009, but it is hoped to come in close to budgeted profit. Plant pick-up will be on Saturday, May 1 from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

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E. **Restaurant Fundraisers** (Debbie Spiewak): Debbie is looking into holding a Panera fundraiser on either April 28 or 29. Should this work out, details will be emailed.

**XI. Music Bowl Coordinators' Report**

The Music Bowl committee will be having a meeting soon to start up the 2010 year. All the judges for this year's competition are in place and, to date, 8 High Schools have entered. Cathy Olewinski is still looking for a "shadow" for programs. The Committee is now getting ready to do a mass mailing of applications to all of the area High Schools.

**XII. Uniform Coordinators' Report**

The coordinators are starting to gear up for the Memorial Day parade and asked that they be provided with a list of incoming freshmen who are going to march in parade. Uniform new fits and refits will start soon.

**XIII. Color Guard Coordinators' Report**

Winter guard finished their fantastic first season at Lincoln Way East with a second place score of 79.7. They have also concluded their candy bar sale making approximately \$400. Color guard is starting basic work for the fall season.

**XIV. Equipment Coordinator's Report – No Report.**

**XV. Videography – No Report.**

**XVI. Vice President of Communications Report: (Kathy Gabric)**

- A. Mustang Band Fanfare: The Fanfare was published April 1<sup>st</sup>. Thanks to everyone who turned in an article. Keep them coming!
- B. Website: Synched the MBB calendars with the last update for Marching Mustangs (tentative) and Music Department.

Blog capability was created for Orlando Trip, successfully allowing us to share information from Orlando attendees with those who could not make the trip. Suggestions for the future include adding a some additional lead time to resolve any training issues for new users, and opening this up to those responsible adults for each of the performing activities (Jazz, Guard, etc.).

New/Returning Board Members: please confirm your email addresses for the website.

**XVII. Volunteer Coordinator's Report**

There were 2 events in March that needed volunteer/chaperones. The 1<sup>st</sup> event was the North Shore Concert Band Festival on the 18<sup>th</sup> with the Wind Symphony and the 2<sup>nd</sup> event was on the 24<sup>th</sup> for the ISU Jazz Festival, unfortunately no volunteers came forward for these events.

Upcoming events in April are the festival at Vandercook School of Music on April 22<sup>nd</sup> departure 9am returning 3:20 for the Symphonic Band and April 24<sup>th</sup> for the Wind Ensemble traveling to ISU leave at noon, perform at 4:30 for their festival. We are asking for 4 volunteers for each event.

Wally thanked the volunteer/chaperones for the Florida Adventure – Cathy and Roman Jama, Cathy and Wally Olewinski, Maria Garza, and Jill Pruett.

In closing Wally read a section of an email that he received regarding the DGS trip to Florida –

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*I really enjoyed meeting the DGS chaps and hanging out with you. You are a great group of people who really care about your kids & your band. That's why the group is so successful.*

*Thanks for making me feel so welcome, and congratulations on a good tour.*

Tom (Tom Huber – Bob Rogers Travel & Byron Illinois High School)

**XVIII. Social Activities Coordinator's Report**

Refreshments will be provided at the spring concerts in May. Alice will try and contact the new concert band helpers after all is approved to see if they can be available at one, or both, of the May concerts.

**XIX. Marketing/Public Relations Report**

Downloaded 2 stories on Triblocal.com--one for the National Scholastic Award winner and one for the Wind Ensemble selected for University of Illinois Superstate Band Festival.

**XX. Parent Coordinators' Report:**

**A. Jazz:** Joe Strantz reported the following:

ISU Jazz Festival Results: At the recent ISU Jazz Festival, the DGS Jazz Ensemble was awarded first place in their class and Grand Champion of the State of Illinois Jazz Invitational at ISU. Of the 20 high school jazz bands that participated, the DGS Jazz Ensemble was chosen to perform on the evening concert with the ISU Jazz Ensemble and guest artist Marvin Stamm. Additionally, 4 soloists were chosen as being truly outstanding from the more than 400 student musicians that performed during the day. Of those 4, 2 were from DGS - senior trombonist Matt Kowalski and senior baritone saxophonist Lauren Wood.

Jazz Concert April 20, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m. in the DGS Auditorium: featuring the Jazz Lab Band and the Jazz Ensemble. Jazz program honors students Lauren Wood, Matt Kowalski and Elliot Bild will be featured in a variety of musical selections. Admission is free.

DGS Jazz @ Jilly's - Both Jazz Lab Band and Jazz Ensemble will share the stage at Jilly's Restaurant in Naperville on May 4, 2010 from 6:30-7:30 PM. Jazz Lab Band will perform from 6:30-7:00 PM. The Jazz Ensemble will perform from 7:00-7:30 PM. A professional jazz ensemble will conclude the evening. Students will receive more information about this event near the end of April.

Fishel Park – Even without a standing bandshell, the annual District 99 Jazz @ Fishel Park concert will still occur on Tuesday, May 25, 2010. The four District 99 Jazz Bands will perform, with the evening concluding with a combined All-Star Band comprised of students from both North and South. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be held in the auditorium at DGN.

**B. Kiwanis Peanut Days:** This will take place on September 23-25. Details will be provided later in the year.

**XXI. History/Traditions Secretary's Report:** No report.

**XIX. Miscellaneous, Unfinished Business & New Business:**

**A. Nominating Committee Vote – 2010/2011 Boards:** The 2010/11 Executive Board slate passed unanimously. The following are the 2010/2011 Mustang Band Boosters Executive Board: President – Cathy Jama; VP of Communications – Kathy Gabric; VP of Ways & Means – Lynn Filla-Clark; VP of Membership – Alene Ackerman; Treasurer – Paul Meek; Secretary of Student Accounts – Laura Sorce; Recording/Correspondence Secretary – Kathy White; Marketing/Public Relations – Sue Armato & Deb Kimminau; Social Activities Coordinators – Jeanette Burton & Carol Ann Fatora (Marching Band, and Deb O'Dell & Molly Irish (Concert Bands); Uniform Chairs – Mary Coley & Linda Lange; Volunteer Coordinator –

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Wally Olewinski; History & Traditions Secretary – Mike Klimczak; Equipment Coordinator – Howard Kotlicky; and previously voted in March 2010, Mustang Music Bowl Coordinators – Cathy Olewinski, Bonnie Peterson & Terri Piekarski.

- XXI. Announcements:** The next Booster meeting will be held on Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 at 7:00 pm in Room B-120.
- XXII. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.