

Band Boosters Board of Directors
May 27, 2009

Present: G. Van Beek, D. Bouilliane, K. Brown, M. Mutchler, J. Belyea, L. Batchelder,
M. Ofsonka

Called to order at 6:23

1. Missing student fees: Some have paid. Last marching fee has been paid to school – M. Ofsonka will arrange with A. Johnson to get money into booster account. Approx. 6 of 15 students paid for MS Jazz.

Next year all monies will go through Boosters. Need to start early in the year sending reminder letters. Have sign ups early. Send reminders with report cards, interims, etc.

2. BCA: is dissolving. There is approximately \$7,000 in Fine and Performing Art Patron Account. Cheryl DeVincentes proposes the following: money will stay in the school; \$1000 will be used for recruiting trip for elementary schools in the fall. Rest will be used for scholarships; there is enough for two years. After 2 years, each group will have to do its own fundraising. “Boosters Clubs for the Arts” will be a button on the SCSS web page.. Periodic meetings will be held four times per year; all Tiny Tots proceeds will go to the Booster Clubs for the Arts to fund the scholarship.

Discussion:

- a. Band does not want to be under this umbrella
- b. Can the money legally be used in this fashion? Money has to be given to another 501c3 corporation or spend it all (legitimately). M. Mutchler will discuss this concern with Jane Lipp.
- c. Band pays for its own website. G. Van Beek will tell Cheryl DeVincentes that Band wants its own “button”
- d. Band does not perceive that there is any benefit to having an umbrella organization.
- e. A letter was drafted to be signed by M. Mutchler and G. Van Beek declining to participate in the Boosters Clubs for the Arts. Copies will be sent to A. Johnson, T. Magwire, and M. McAdory

General Boosters: Board members, D. Hough, P. Hough, T. Walker, J. Walker, J. Brown, d. Collins, B Collins.

3. Nominations:
 - a. From the floor: no nominations
 - b. Nominees:
 - i. President: Gay Van Beek

- ii. Vice President for HS: Teri Walker
 - iii. Secretary: Kathy Weeks
 - iv. Treasurer: Marianne Ofsonka
 - v. Vice President for MS: Liz Batchelder
 - c. Slate of nominated officers approved unanimously.
- 4. Web site: 19,711 hits in April. Kudos to Paul Hough for the website, which looks great.
- 5. Evening of Jazz: last evening. Went fine. There were a few “food issues;” ran out of some items. 109 dinners were served; 110 were ordered. Event is a lot of work and there weren’t that many kids in Jazz. Suggestion for next year: have a “coffee house” atmosphere in the Silver Box Theater and serve coffee and dessert. Music was excellent. Thank you to J. Belyea and dee dee Collins for coordinating, and to L. Batchelder for making the coffee.
- 6. End of Year Concert: Tuesday, June 2
 - a. L. Batchelder will do coffee
 - b. Jay Brown – volunteers are plentiful
 - c. Still missing a few senior and baby photos.
 - d. Uniform turn-in: everyone except symphonic band non-seniors. D. Hough needs help to collect uniforms. Ms. Magwire asked that all uniforms be collected after the concert is over, rather than after each element performs. Need at least 4 or 5 additional volunteers. D. Boulliane volunteered to do MS band in music lab. M. Ofsonka has asked teachers for a list of students in each class so that the cleaner will be able to write an invoice based on the number of items. Invoice will go to the school finance officer.
 - e. Fundraiser: grocery bags were suggested at a previous meeting. M. Ofsonka did an informal poll; most people not willing to pay more than \$1.00-2.00.
- 7. Scholarship: recipients have been selected and will be announced at the concert next week.
- 8. Marching Stallions kick off last week; there are 3 registrants so far. Many girls signed up for guard.
 - a. Uniforms have been reassigned – students will get the same uniform from this year. Kids who took shoes home need to return them. Bibs have been located.
 - b. Congratulations to Orlando White and Kathy Weeks who are next year’s drum majors.
- 9. Kudos to D. Hough for organizing uniforms and the closet.

10. Should we set up a system to take credit cards for band fees? There would be a transaction fee. M. Ofsonka will look into this further; boosters are enthusiastic.
11. Presidents' Report: thank you to everyone for hard work
12. Treasurer's Report: annual report and \$25.00 to state is due. Checking account: \$34,000; 7300 belongs to student funds. Balance at end of year projected to be around \$20,000.
13. High School VP: if anyone would be willing to chaperone Symphonic Band students for graduation on 6/18, please contact L. Batchelder
14. Middle School VP: Successful festival. Kids were awesome except for sprained ankle and gum in hair. Significant turn out of middle schoolers for Marching Band meeting. Lots of great volunteers.
15. Secretary's report: Minutes from April approved.
16. Date for next meeting will be coordinated with A. Johnson and T. Magwire. Suggestion: Tuesday, 6/9.

New officers need to go to bank with M. Ofsonka for signature cards.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06.

Minutes taken by Kathy Brown.