

Band Boosters Board Meeting
Minutes – Thursday, October 14, 2010
Meeting convened 6:05p

Present: Alan Johnson, Michael Vitale, Dave Kormis, Lisa Packer, Eileen DiGiovanna, JJ Dickinson, Dannielle Hough, Kathy Weeks

I. Mr. Johnson's report:

A. Everything is going well in concert band classes, as well as marching band.

1. First concert uniform order has been placed by Dannielle; another will be placed later. Misc pieces will be used from band closet inventory. Approx cost: \$4600; and \$1500 in savings. Want them distributed upon arrival, asap to allow time for alterations. Email/flier will be sent when uniforms arrive to announce need for alterations.

B. Two Marching Stallion competitions this weekend [Oct 16].

C. Mr. Johnson would like us to consider student funds raised from next year's fundraisers ('11-'12) to go *entirely* to student accts -- Anything that can be done to incentivize it. But it needs to be handled the same way as the other fine arts groups.

II. President's report. Eileen DiGiovanna:

A. Purpose and procedures were briefly reviewed:

1. As a body, we exist to support Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Magwire.

2. Expenses must be preapproved by Eileen, Mr. Johnson or Mrs. Magwire to be reimbursable.

3. Emails to be distributed from the Boosters gmail acct need prior approval from Eileen or Mr. Johnson for High School, or Mrs. Magwire for Middle School.

4. To free as much of the directors' time as possible for the students, any issues or questions can be directed first to Eileen DiGiovanna, Boosters President. If she cannot answer the question or resolve the situation, then she will pass it on to Mr. Johnson. Please give Eileen appropriate time to get back to you.

5. Volunteer/New parent questions/issues. We need parent volunteers and want to be positive and encouraging to everyone to be a part of any fundraiser they would like to be assist with. Ex: Assume new parents don't know pie sales have already begun. Nor do they know where the money goes, etc. Perhaps an email could go out directing questions to Marianne, who also includes a hugely informative insert in the pie sales packet.

III. Treasurer's report. JJ Dickinson:

A. Total on Monthly Financial Report includes approx \$2500 for Jackie Bruhn Fund and \$8500 for student raised funds.

B. 2010 MB budget report: Expenses are over budget only for season staff payments and pool party. Tag Day funds now itemized under Marching Stallions Budget may not stay there. Need Drumline, Winterguard and Jazz budgets, though none can be done prior to knowing numbers intended to be involved. However, prior to approved budget, no checks for expenses can be written. *As a general rule, following year's budgets should be approved by BBB in June, and amended when more accurate student participation numbers are determined later.*

IV. Spring Trip, March 23-25, 2011. Dannielle Hough:

A. Spring band/orch/choir trip to Orlando. Announcement should be early so families can set aside dedicated funds. Cost: \$600. Three \$200 payments, due Nov 8, Dec 6, Jan 2010. Trip bid must be approved by SCSS prior to distributing flier or student funds cannot be collected against it.

B. Mr. Johnson does not anticipate our band competing, just participating in a clinic, so band balance won't be an issue.

V. MS Coordinator, Lisa Packer:

A. Flier went home today with 8th graders for MS MB night tomorrow. 26 "Future Marching Stallions" have already signed up for tomorrow night. Pizza will be served at 5:30p. Available paper products are in the band closet.

VI. Parent Volunteer Positions and Fundraising. David Kormis:

A. Volunteer positions:

(1) Pies – Marianne Offsonka

(2) Scrip – Susan Dilbecks & Sherry Feehs

(3) Patron Campaign – David Kormis

\$1025 has already been raised, halfway to last year's total. Website will be updated by Paul when he gets the info.

(4) Cookie Dough Fundraiser = *vacant*

(5) Concert Coordinator = *vacant*

Food following concerts has been an issue. Difficult to police tables; some have been verbally abused. *Move accepted to cancel food served following first concert.* Any parent can have this reinstated by volunteering to coordinate the effort.

(6) Winterguard Coordinator – Sherry Mull

(7) New Ideas for Fundraising = *vacant*

(1) All fundraisers must be filed with and approved by SCSS.

(2) Generic “Band” window clings, magnets, pocket folders, instrument tags, to sell at all concerts/events, band and otherwise. (Christmas ornaments netted \$100 at Stallion Stampede this year.) Need to add budget line item to purchase things ahead of next year. *Move accepted to invest \$300 (can be adjusted up) to place order.*

(3) Spirit wear beyond Marching Stallion season – more generic “band” items.

(8) Jazz Band Coordinator = *vacant*

(9) Friends of the South County Band Fundraising Coordinator = *vacant*

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, 11/18/10, 6p in the band room.

Meeting adjourned 7:15p.