

SMS BAND BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

OPENING

President Tim Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tim Kelley, Julie Bogner, Debbie Schluben, Tina Monks, Amy Knudsen, Donna Brandt, Michelle Finn, Heather Kutz, Paul Kutz, Gina Horner, Jenn Dodson, Janice Wood, Craig Wood, Pat Duff

Meeting minutes of the 10/2/18 were reviewed. Amy Knudsen motioned to approve. Tina Monks seconded. Minutes were approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Marching season is finally over! Including the two playoff games, there were 7 home games this year. With the two away pep band games, some kids performed for 9 games this season. Mr. Adams said this has been the best band in the stands by far, with thanks to drum majors Emma Ross and Kate Herrmann. Next season has 3 scheduled home games.

The Lee's Summit North marching event was held on their basketball court due to the weather forecast of storms and rain, which resulted the Warrensburg Festival of Champions feeling like it was our only contest. The band ranked 8th in an extremely tough field of 12 finalists out of 32 bands at Warrensburg.

About 40 kids participated in 64 individual auditions for district band at Olathe East. 23 students made district band or alternates. District bands perform December 1, 2018 at BVHS.

Symphonic Band auditions are this week, with results coming in advance of the Europe Trip meeting on Wednesday, 11/14/18. Band members not in symphonic band can come if interested in filling open instrumentation for the Europe trip.

Mr. Adams will need some booster assistance for forms, payments, checks and coordination with the travel people for the Europe trip. *Gina Horner has volunteered to be the trip chairperson and Kristi Velicer has volunteered to be the trip treasurer, 11/12/18.*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tim reported that we've had a busy month and a busy fall and that everyone was glad to have the band at the home games and the additional playoff games. Tim thanked all chair people.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Debbie Schluben reported that the taxes are completed. A certificate of deposit that has come to term has been moved to the money market account to be available for the German visit. Debbie will update the student accounts with the 5k fundraising and have note cards of updated student balances at the Germany trip meeting on 11/14/18.

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We still need to recruit an assistant treasurer/incoming treasurer as Debbie will hit her term limit at the end of this school year. Mr. Adams will put a request in his band news for a future treasurer.

OLD BUSINESS

5k Summary

Co-chair Gina Horner distributed an initial financial summary of the 5k fundraiser which occurred November 4. The band will net \$6,141 after allocating \$2,250 to student accounts. Sponsorships of \$3,525 covered expenses of \$3,419.84. 315 total registrations. Demographics indicated the least participants in 20-34 age range.

Mattress Sale Follow Up

No additional cases of delivery issues were noted since last meeting. Mr. Adams did discuss with Andrew that the yard signs, flyers and Facebook event did not have "band" identified and were just 'SMS'. Mr. Adams conveyed that "band" is a positive element of publicizing that fundraiser.

Freshman/Concert

Mr. Adams appreciated everyone involved due to the late rescheduling of this concert from 10/30 to 10/29 due to conflicts with other activities.

Playoff Games Water and Plumes

Amy Knudsen noted that the water/plume effort was not organized for the playoff games. Volunteers who were present were not aware of the duties and no one was present to coordinate them. Paul noted to update the chairs for these volunteer activities. The sign-up genius does explain but does not take the place of the hands on instruction, logistics, timing and locations.

Marching Band Photography

Professional photography from BJohnson Photography is available to everyone at www.bjohnsonphotography.com and includes our first home game, Homecoming game, Lee's Summit North Contest and Warrensburg Prelims and Finals. Thanks to Amy Knudsen for the Warrensburg galleries. Pat will send Craig an e-mail to post the photo links to the band news website.

NEW BUSINESS

Mission Bowl Fundraiser

The possible Mission Bowl Fundraiser was proposed to be a student event which would be similar to one of the restaurant night fundraisers. For a flat fee, individuals can bowl and rent shoes with part of the fee going to the band. Mission Bowl is owned by current booster Cynthia Thomas. The fundraiser seemed like a good opportunity and has been done with some other groups at SMS. Band president Elliott Huels was present to discuss. Band leadership can determine extent of the event and publicize. It generally seemed it would be open to anyone. Proposed to occur on Friday, February 8; Debbie checked for Friday dates that did

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not have a scheduling conflict with other activities. Proposed date will be confirmed with Cynthia Thomas, likely the 8:00 p.m. slot.

Symphonic Dresses

Symphonic band dresses are \$65/\$70 to order new. Christie Ross has some used at half price. Christie will send a letter to new symphonic families after audition results are out.

Spirit Wear

Janice Wood had samples of two possible hats. The hat that was most like the Mr. Adams style was preferred. There have been a lot of requests for hats and the football boosters are not selling them anymore. We will make a minimum order of 48 items of more spirit wear in the same design to hopefully be available for the holidays. Green seems to be the best seller of the spirit wear. We will assess after the first of the year if more spirit wear should be ordered before the German visit. We are down to 8 bleacher seats. The minimum order is 24. *(55 sweatshirts and 36 hats were ordered, 11/12/18).*

<October minutes - Janice Wood reported that we've had very good sales of spirit wear this year with about \$1,500 the first game, \$500 the Thursday game and \$1,000 the Homecoming game totaling around \$3,500 without Strike Up the Band Night. Hoodies sold out in one night. We may need to order more spirit wear for the Germans.>

Basketball Game Spirit Wear Sales and 50/50 Raffle

Proceeds from 50/50 raffle at basketball games provides for two scholarships and to send drum majors to camp. 50/50 raffle had low proceeds last year at basketball games as the two days we were given were Tuesdays. We will still pursue this year. Tim will follow up for permission for 50/50 raffle and spirit wear sales dates for basketball games. Donna Brandt can train the 50/50 raffle coordinator for basketball games. Basketball has a very tight timing for getting the 50/50 announcement.

Bylaws update

Tim reported on the bylaws which were last updated in 2006. This was actually precipitated because another booster organization asked for a copy of our bylaws. Tim now has an electronic copy of the last version. The bylaws will be updated to most accurately reflect the way boosters are currently operating. The proposed update will be posted when ready and will need to be approved by a vote.

Germany Visit

Tina Monks and Stefanie Kelley will meet with Mr. Adams. The Germans will be here for Good Friday when school is not in session, which has not happened in previous years. Mr. Adams has some ideas. The Germans are in Chicago and St. Louis ahead of us, so we can be specific on their arrival time to us. We expect approximately 80. Dates are 4/18/19 to 4/25/19. Recruiting for host families will begin next week with the Europe trip meeting. Tina will have information on what is expected from a host family. About 50 band members will go to Europe, so we will need more host families than students going to Europe.

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Chipotle night is Monday, December 3, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at 6879 W. 91st Street.

Next Booster Meeting is Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the band room.

Tim Kelley motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. Craig Wood seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

All information from band boosters, Mr. Adams and the calendar is on the website at

www.smsraiderband.org