



Central Dauphin Band Boosters Association Meeting Minutes-Tuesday, November 2, 2010

President Eric Bloom called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and thanked the group for attending.

Treasurer's Report-Cindy Case: There was a lot of action this month with the GMO concert, with deposits and checks noted on her report.

Financial Secretary's Report-Crystal Richards: There were no questions regarding Crystals report.

Vice President's Report-Diane Baker: Membership update was given. It was noted that the percussion ensemble was the least well represented group with only 50% membership. This may be due to the fact that the group is made up entirely of freshman and sophomores. There are 185 total students in the band program this year, with 171 families represented. Eric pointed out that there is membership value in having multiple kids!

Recording Secretary's Report-Laurie Kissinger: The minutes for September and October were presented. A motion to approve them was made by Brenda Budd, with Jennifer DeFazio seconding. They were approved by a unanimous vote.

Community Task Force Update: Eric is on the finance Committee and a discussion was brought up again about pay to play for extracurricular activities. It was noted that even if the district charged between \$50-100 per child, it would not make a significant difference in the budget shortfall. Eric reported that the discussion did not get very far. Mr. Ceresini is on the extracurricular committee and there was a discussion about possibly restructuring and combining activities between the schools.

Student Officer's Report-"Farmer" Josh Richard and "Bovine" Dan Budd: The officers entertained the crowd with their Halloween attire, but Eric retracted his thanks to the Budds for having multiple kids in the program! The students are excited about the football team being 7-2 and making the playoffs, even though it is getting very cold. The parades they did this month were very successful. The Glenn Miller concert was a lot of fun to watch, and Larry O'Brian is a very entertaining band director. The students felt that the Hershey Competition was the best show they have performed to date. In the farm theme of the night, they felt the Veterans Day concert was very "Mooving" which was an udderly ridiculous joke! They ended by thanking the Boosters for everything they do for the Band.

Band Director's Report-Mr. Ceresini: He agreed with the officers thanks for the Boosters, and commented that the Band parents are the reason that so many things happen in our program. He began by re-capping some of last month's events with the Dillsburg Parade. Everything went well with the shorter parade on Friday night, and he noted that a student bought a very nice \$3 suit at the rummage sale. The Dauphin parade was also a success with the students enjoying "Bricks of Delicious" (Gingerbread) after the parade. The Middle Paxton Lions Club gave us a large donation for performing in this parade. There was a discussion about the Penbrook parade, and we may not continue to perform in this parade. The Carlisle game went very well, and we were actually home fairly early! He commented on how well the kids did at the Hershey Competition, and they got to see a lot of great bands perform. The State College band Director is retiring this year, and this is the first non rainy State College game that Mr. C. remembers. The Glenn Miller Concert had a great audience with a lot of student ushers. They all dressed up so nicely! This Friday's Game will be Senior Recognition Night, and Saturday is the Keynotes Concert which will be recorded and CD's will be sold. Our first play off

game should be a home game. The Jazz Bands have some gigs coming up: Jazz I will perform at Middle Paxton elementary school on Nov. 15th, and Jazz II (section I) will perform at a nursery school on Nov. 17th. There is nothing like seeing three year olds dance! The musical Pit will start in December, Mr. C. will select interested students. There will be informational meetings next week for the Indoor groups; Majorettes will be Monday @ 6:30, Guard Wednesday @ 6:30, and Drumline Thursday@6:30. District Band will be coming up, interested students should have already talked to Mr. C to sign up to audition.

The budget for next year has been submitted to the district, and they have already started cutting things. It would seem as though we should not plan on getting any instruments from the district for the foreseeable future.

The ponchos were ordered on September 18th, and are supposed to finally be delivered this week. There was a production problem which caused the hold up. These new ponchos are lined and quilted and can be used in cold weather as well as rain.

Mr. Ceresini concluded by thanking the boosters for purchasing a Bass with pickups for the Jazz band, as well as a sound system which will be used by Jazz, Marching Band, and Indoor Drumline. Also purchased were Indoor Supplies and a drum set.

Old Business:

Landis Concessions: We are not expecting a huge crowd for the Chambersburg game. There is a sign up posted on Charms for the playoffs. Cathy Sangillo will be out of town for the next week, so please do not email her with volunteer needs, Eric will handle this in her absence. The Ice Cream social sign up sheet was passed around.

SKH- We made \$600 from this event. Thanks to everyone who donated items, and helped that day. We will do this again in the spring.

Glenn Miller Orchestra- The event went very well. There were not many empty seats, with approximately 850 people in attendance. There were tons of volunteers. This is the biggest crowd that Jazz I will play for.

Blue Mountain Candle Sale: There were only a few orders put in, so we will extend the sale into December. Eric will send an email blast with the details.

Wolfgang Candy Sale: The order packets are now available and will be sent home with students. You can sell starting now until December 3rd. Money is due at that time, checks payable to CD Band Boosters. Delivery will be the week before Christmas.

GTP/HERCO-There are still slots available for this fundraising opportunity.

Business Sponsorship: There are still a couple sponsorships trickling in.

SCRIP: The average family spends \$689 for Christmas gifts. You could raise \$45 for the boosters and \$20 for your student account if you use scrip this year. If only half of the band families use Scrip for Christmas we could raise \$4,000 for the band program. There are a lot of incentives for the holidays, so log onto scrip and check “what’s new” and “specials”. Barbie gave some examples of holiday incentives: Gap 14%, LLBean 17%, Bath and Body works 18% rebates. Also Chilis is now participating in ScripNow on the computer, you can print out your certificate instantly. The order we place 2 weeks from now will be able to be used for Black Friday.

CHARMS: No issues to report.

Band Directory: We hope to have this printed soon.

Karns for the Schools: We made \$400 with this program last year. Remember to register your shopper’s card on the Karns website and choose CD RamBand as the recipient.

IRS 990: Accountant Ted Brosious has agreed to file this for the organization. His firm is one of our business sponsors.

Airmen of Note Concert: Please sign up to volunteer on Charms. We need donations of lots of baked goods. Two thirds of the tickets have been distributed. They suggest we keep promoting right up until the event. There are posters available to put up, and the event will be in the paper. This will be a good practice run for the Navy Concert in the spring.

Holiday Dessert Dance: We will be handing out flyers about this event soon.

Craft Show: Judy sent out the crafter mailing last week and she has received 6 applications already! This year the price for vendors has been raised to \$45 per space. Last year we had a waiting list of 65 vendors. Judy is looking for a freshman parent to help and learn all the ins and outs of this event as she will be “graduating” in 2013.

Ramagram: Shannon is looking for a few good articles; the deadline for the next issue will be the beginning of December.

Indoor Rama: Schools begin scheduling shows around Thanksgiving time.

Trip Committee: They are continuing to research destinations.

New Business:

Band Boosters Officers: We will need to fill some slots as two of our officers are graduating this year. Please talk to any of the current officers to get some idea of what is involved. The election will be in April.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

The next Band Booster’s Meeting is Tuesday December 7th at 7:00pm.

Sincerely,
Laurie Kissinger
Recording Secretary