



Booster's Meeting Minutes
July 5, 2011 7:00pm

In Diane Baker's absence, the meeting was called to order by Mr. Ceresini at 7:00pm.

Treasurer's Report: Cindy Case: The expenses for last month were for the Band Banquet, staff end of year gifts, and the scholarships awarded to the graduating seniors. The income reported included reimbursement for the truck rental from the district and Golf-a-Rama. Cindy and Mr. Ceresini reported that the student accounts are currently not accurate due to an issue with Charms.

Financial Secretary's Report: (Mr. Ceresini reporting): At the end of the year Charms updates all of the records, we have been careful not to reset the system to allow it to update itself, but somehow the Charms staff may have done this. All student accounts are showing a zero balance. Mr. Ceresini is working with the Charms staff to correct this issue, but he is asking that no one enter anything until the issue is resolved.

Recording Secretary's Report: Laurie Kissinger: We received a letter from Meghan Baldwin thanking the booster's for the scholarship she was awarded. The minutes from last month's meeting were posted online. A motion to approve those minutes was made by Shannon McLeod, and seconded by Cathy Sangillo. They were approved by a unanimous vote.

Vice President's Report: Cathy Sangillo: No report.

Student Officers: There was no report; they will begin attending the August meeting.

Band Directors Report: Mr. Ceresini: Marching Band rehearsals have started on Tuesday evenings. This week is the lowest attendance so far with the holiday weekend. Band Camp is set to start August 1. All students have or will be receiving hearing protection which they will be wearing during all music activities. The uniform fittings have begun and are going well. Mr. C. reported that the principals will be working on the schedules in the next two weeks; if any student's music related scheduling is not correct, please let him know.

Old Business:

Memberships: We have only received 4 memberships so far; please remember that memberships need to be renewed each year. The form is now available on the website; we are hoping to achieve 100% membership this year! This year we will be offering a patron membership for people not directly related to the band program, so please consider friends and relatives who may want to help support the band!

Business Sponsorship: Kim St. Clair will be mailing the letters to area business this week, and in a few weeks we will open it up to students to directly contact business owners they may be familiar with. If you got a business sponsorship last year, you will be given first dibs on contacting them again.

Script: The software has now been changed to reflect the 50/50 split we are offering this year, hopefully to increase participation in this program. This is our 4th year of running this program, and it is a very beneficial program, even though we have less than 50% participation from band families. If we can increase these numbers, we would reduce our need for product sales.

Golf-a-RAMa: This was a great success this year with a \$1500 profit, even though Mr. C's golf game wasn't that great! Mr. Shellhamer turned out to be a very good golfer, and he made Mr. C. not look so bad! There is a link on the website to the Fox 43 video from the event.

Legends of Music: We will be selling ads for the program for this event, and Business Sponsors will be included in this program. The original plan was to have students from East High participate in this event, but this may change due to the fact that their Band Director has resigned, and they have not yet filled the position.

Wearables: This is the program where we sell the Band clothing you see people wearing at events and some of the necessary items the students need to participate. The order forms will be handed out next week, and will be due the first week of band camp.

Band Camp: Diane has been in contact with the United Way to set up the Community Service day which will be the first Friday of camp. The program should be similar to year's past. Parent's night will be in the parking lot on the second Thursday, and the pool party will be on the second Friday.

Band Fair: Elaine Randolph has agreed to help with coordinating the radio station, and games/prizes. Joanne Baylor will help with publicity and Rita's Italian Ice. We will need a lot of volunteer slots filled for this event (but don't sign up until Charms is fixed)

Concessions: The Eysters are not going to be able to help with this due to a change in work schedule. We are looking for someone to help coordinate concessions for the Football games. There are only 4 home games this year, and we are not expecting huge attendance at those games. Cathy Sangillo has a lot of info if anyone is interested.

Chaperones: We are looking for a truck driver for Band Fair (*Thanks to Melissa Graeff for volunteering her husband!*) We will need chaperones and a truck driver for all of the events the Marching Band attends, and will be putting sign ups on Charms. It is a great way to get involved, and your admission to events is free!

Band-a-RAMA: We have not had any confirmations as yet.

Buddy Night: This will be held on the East Game on Sept. 30th. Thanks to the Milbrands for agreeing to head this event!

Photographers: Everyone can take pictures and upload to Flickr, send an email to Gail, and she will put them on website.

Ram Cards: We continue to ask for a coordinator for this fundraiser. We would approach several local businesses who will offer discounts or deals, and we print up cards to sell with these special offers. This is a great profit maker for us, as the only expense is printing up the cards. We are looking to run this fundraiser in late fall, so please contact Diane or Mr. C. if you are interested.

Basket Sale: We have 5 baskets (no liners) left to sell. The order form is on the website if anyone is interested.

Trip update: Mr. C. reported that the trip is definitely happening; he is working on details with Mr. Masters, and will have more info at the August meeting. The Marching Band will most likely be performing in 1 parade, and the students from all groups will spend the majority of 1 day performing in an Adjucated Music Festival.

Sewing: We need some people to can use a sewing machine to sew flags. Please contact Mr. C. if you are able to help.

New Business:

Aarogas: The date of Sept. 12th is confirmed. Coupons will be available to use at any location throughout the day, and they will give us a percentage of the proceeds. We will likely try to reserve a number of tables at the Route 22 location around 6 pm if people would like to make it a social event.

GTP and HERCO: This program is volunteering at Hershey Park, and they donate your hourly rate to your student account. They also give you a free ticket (GTP does not give a free park ticket, but they pay a higher hourly rate). There is information about this program on the website.

Shed: The graduating class of 2011 is purchasing a shed (with help from the boosters) for Mr. C, to have at the practice field. It is amazing that they were able to get the approval, since Mr. C. has been asking for 4 years with no luck! If any one has any advice on buying a shed, please contact Mr. C. It was suggested that he contact Pumpkin World to see if they would be willing to be a business sponsor if we purchase from them.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm (a new record!)

The next Booster's meeting will be Thursday August 2nd at 7:00 pm.

Sincerely,
Laurie Kissinger
Recording Secretary