



Central Dauphin Band Boosters' Association

Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, April 7, 2009

President Eric Bloom called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The Treasurer's report was presented but not passed pending final audit. Eric pointed out that the approximately \$11,000 in reserve for Marching Band uniforms will be invested in a CD with Commerce Bank in order that the Boosters can earn more interest on this investment. The term for the CD will be no longer than one year. The Financial Secretary's report was presented as well as the Budget vs. Actual report for the first quarter of 2009. Dr. Bloom had a question regarding the \$1,365 expense in the Indoor-RAM-a category. Tim said that he would answer this inquiry at the next Booster meeting. The Recording Secretary's Report was reviewed and passed on the motions of Jeff Saul and Jeff Imboden.

Vice-Presidents' Reports: Nothing reported.

Mr. Ceresini's Report: Mr. Ceresini started his report by telling us that the May and June Booster meetings will be on the first Wednesdays of those months instead of the first Tuesdays due to scheduling conflicts. Mr. C said the Craft show was awesome. He gave thanks to Judy Koontz and her crew. He said that he received no complaints from Mrs. Johnson. It was just a great day. The Indoor groups are in full swing. The KIDA championships were March 28th. The Drumline are the Gold Moving Percussion Champions. The Majorettes took second place in their division and for the first time had a score above 90. The Guard had a huge improvement over last year's score. The Indoor groups were treated to dinner at Hoss's that day. The Drumline and Guard had a competition at Lebanon on April 4th. Each group scored its highest score of the TIA season. The Majorettes had the week off because East High had their band trip to Orlando. The Drumline and Guard will be going to Wildwood for Championships. There will be a mini Wildwood trip meeting Wednesday, April 8 at 6pm. The next Concert band concert is May 5th with rehearsal on the 4th. The probable date for the Drum Major/Section Leader meeting will be April 24th. The Linglestown Parade is May 25th with rehearsal on May 21st. There was a hub-a-boo at the Jazz/Orchestra concert. The fire alarm went off twice during the concert. The first time was due to a child pulling the fire alarm and the second time was because the alarm wasn't reset properly. Other than that incident, the concert went well. The Jazz choir Solaris was cool and did very well without their director who had taken ill. The Jazz bands and orchestras were great. Upcoming Jazz events are April 14 at the Dauphin County Jail Volunteer dinner, April 17th at Redland, April 20th for a Nursery school, May 15th at the Night of Jazz concerts, and May 16th at Knoebel's Grove. The Musical was great. There were live animals and fireworks. All the actors were wonderful and the Pit was awesome. The Carlisle Barracks Summerfest planned for June 20th probably won't happen due to several reasons: Marching Band rehearsals, Mr. C is helping Mrs. Nelson with the Middle School, Mr. C is teaching summer music lessons, and there are also transportation issues. Mr Ceresini gave Kudos to the following people: Judy & Roger Koontz and family, Jolene Yaede, Sue Acri, Joanne Baylor, Paige Burns, Jeff Imboden, Melissa Graeff and everyone that volunteered at the Craft Show, the Indoor Staff, the Indoor participants for all their hard work, Mike Wertz for making State Band and Ben Guise, Drew Krasner and Rosemary Whipple who are nominees for the 2010 US Army All-American Marching Band. There are two crockpots in the Band room. The owners may claim them from Mr. C.

Old Business:

Fundraising and Event Updates:

Wolfgang Candy – Just a reminder that there are online sales year-round. You must enter a special number, which is in the Ram-a-gram, and your student will get a cut of the sale. You must pay shipping on the online sales.

Scrip – Barbie Bloom. March sales totaled \$12,764/Total profit was \$580 (Boosters - \$406; Students - \$174); Fiscal YTD sales totaled \$115,444/Total profit was \$5,839 (Boosters - \$4,150; Students - \$1,689) Program Total sales \$300,460/Total profit was \$16,288 (Boosters - \$11,580; Students - \$4,707). There was no Scrip this week because of vacation at the Scrip factory.

Craft Show (April 4, 2009) – Judy Koontz and Crew – The Craft Show was fabulous and went off without a hitch. The final numbers are not in as yet but we expect to net at least \$10,000. The Crafters were impressed with all the helpers and volunteers. Some of them would like larger spaces but Judy said this won't happen because we are not going to change our floor layout. Most of the Crafters indicated in the surveys that they will return next year. We had several requests for decaf coffee to be served in the cafeteria. The date for next year's show is April 10, 2010. We discussed that we should have the majority of student helpers before and after the Craft show to assist the vendors instead of in the middle of the show when they are not needed as much. Many of our signs were taken this year but we decided it was best not to raise a fuss about this issue. We feel that the show was still well advertised by the signs and by Melissa Graeff's hard work in getting the word out via radio, TV, and the various local papers.

Indoor-Ram-a (April 18, 2009) – Barbie Bloom, Michele Doyle, Sue Kinneer, Sue Acri and Sue Douma – To date 29 groups have signed up to compete and there are four exhibition groups. More groups may sign up for our show because they need to qualify for the Championships. The show will begin at 1pm with the Awards at 7pm. The program was sent to the printers on April 6th. The revenue was \$459; Student \$114/Boosters \$345. The volunteer sign-up sheet was passed around at the meeting. Sue Acri needs donations of water for the cafeteria. Target and Wegmans have Pepsi products on sale this week. The groups that have signed up are: Percussion – Renaissance, Lewistown, Glen Burnie, CDHS, CD Combined MS, Lebanon, Central Mountain, Lower Dauphin HS and MS and Mechanicsburg HS. Dance Units – Eastern York and Northern York. Majorettes – CD/East also known as the Silhouettes for TIA competition. Guard - CDHS, Lampeter-Strasburg White Guard, Penn Manor Winter Guard, Glen Burnie, Lebanon HS and MS, Lower Dauphin HS and MS, Mifflinburg HS, Cedar Cliff, Red Land HS, Northern York, and Villa Pirata.

SKH Sale (May 2 and October 2, 2009) These dates have been reserved. We still need a coordinator to organize the May event. Eric will be sending out an email blast asking for someone to volunteer. Don't worry about leftovers as they can be used at Knoebel's. This is the week before Mother's Day so we should be busy. This is also the weekend of the TIA Championships at Wildwood.

Knoebel's (May 16, 2009) – Tim and Belinda Clouser – The Clousers have graciously agreed to organize this event. Both Jazz bands will perform and the performers will receive wristbands for the park. This is a fun event.

Band Banquet (May 29, 2009) – Donna Skelton and Sue Kinneer. We have a tentative menu which includes chicken Romano and other Italian goodies. The price without drinks and cake is \$10.50 per person. The price with drinks and cake is \$13 person. The blankets and pens have been ordered. The questionnaire that the seniors need to complete is online at the School's website under Music – Band – Senior Questionnaire.

Freshman Orientation Meeting (June 3, 2009) – No one has offered any suggestions so we will just handle this meeting like last year's meeting. We will give sufficient information but try not to overload the freshman parents.

Golf-a-RAM-a (June 11, 2009) – Mark Guise, Hal Hammaker and Jenifer Donnelly. This event will be held at the Deer Valley Golf Course with a shotgun start at noon. The cost is \$75 per player which includes grounds fees, cart, strip steak dinner and giveaways. There will be prizes for everyone. We need about 60 players to make this work. The car this year for the Hole-In-One Contest will be a Saturn (free lease for one year). We saved approximately \$100 by having the Saturn since no insurance costs are involved. Non golfers can participate in the dinner

after the tournament. The price will be announced at a later date. We also need businesses or groups (Majorettes and Drumline did this last year) to sponsor holes. Hole sponsorships cost \$100. There will be a mailing sent to last year's golfers. We will also try to get the Football and Cheerleader parents involved. A district email blast will be sent promoting this event.

Band Camp (August 3-14, 2009) – Service day will be Friday, August 7th. We are coordinating this event through the United Way. Parents' Night is Thursday, August 13th. The Pool Party is Friday, August 14th. We need an event head for this event.

Phillies Game (August 19, 2009) – We have section 304 (right field, Pavilion Deck, 200 seats) reserved. The Marching Band will be playing on the field before the game.

Band Fair/Pigskin Preview – September 2, 2009 – We need a coordinator! Any ideas for continuing to grow this fun event?

Band-a-RAM-a 2009 (September 19, 2009) - Kathie Christie – We have now decided that we are not doing the competition circuit because of the costs involved and will go back to doing an exhibition show. We think we can get 10 bands to participate and maybe a college band. We will need freshman/sophomore parents to assist with this event to learn the ropes.

Artie Shaw Orchestra Concert (October 20, 2009) – We need someone to volunteer to be the Event Head. We will try to maintain the pricing from the Glenn Miller concert (\$12 adult/\$9 senior and student). We are also likely to try online ticket sales although there are extra costs to boosters charged as a convenience fee to the ticket buyer.

Other Updates:

Trip Update – Sue Kruleski, Sue Kinneer and Denise Hess – The decision is not final but most likely the trip will be to Disney World over Easter Break 2010. We are trying to keep the cost of the trip the same or below the amount of the last band trip (\$750). We would depart by bus on Wednesday, March 31, 2010 and return on Monday, April 5, 2010.

New Business:

Prevailing Pepsi and Peanut Policies – The Pepsi contract can be found on the School Board's website in the meeting notes. The bottom-line is that we can't serve anything but Pepsi products. Also Central Dauphin High School signed an agreement stating that Booster groups may not bring/sell/distribute any peanut products at school or Landis Field: when we ask for baked good donations we'll have to specify this. This policy affects Central Dauphin High School only and may change next school year.

Band Booster Association Elections: 2009-10 Officers: Eric Bloom – President, Vice-Presidents – Paige Burns and Diane Baker, Treasurer – Jolene Yaede, Financial Secretary – Tim Clouser and Recording Secretary – Sue Douma.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 6, 2009 at 7:30pm.

The May and June Booster meetings have been rescheduled because of a concert and graduation. The new dates for the meetings are May 6 and June 3.

Meeting Adjourned- at 8:39pm