

# Champaign Central Music Boosters

Minutes of: April 21, 2014 8:00 pm

Location: Central Band Room

## 1. Reports

### a. Board Report by Donna Butler, President

- The minutes from March 17, 2014 meeting were reviewed and approved.
- Officers for 14-15 school year are still needed, in particular, **choir and fundraising chair positions.**

### b. Treasurer's report by Tracy Nugent, Treasurer

- Receipts from the jazz band trip to Eau Claire are in and expenses/revenues for this event are being settled. David Frye, jazz co-chair, will send an email to jazz families with the details regarding expenses for this trip
- We have a full balance of about \$46,000; approximately half of that amount represents student credits.
- Bills received recently or to be paid include: \$1600 for dry cleaning band uniforms and second semester payments to directors of combos (\$1500 total)
- \$300 donation to the band from Teachscape in acknowledgement of professional consulting work by a board officer
- Merit scholarships will be available to support attendance at summer music camps. The boosters will pay in full for drum majors to attend camp; approximately \$1100 will be awarded in scholarships to other students;  
After some group discussion, it was decided to use same application form and review procedures as last year. Awards will be announced at the Band-Orchestra End-of-the-Year Banquet on May 12.

### c. Fundraising Reports by Donna Butler, President

- We have two volunteers to chair fruit sale next year- Roxann Bossenbroek and Kim Shinew – thank you! Thank you again to Tracy Nugent for taking more of the 2013 top fruit sellers on a flight around Champaign recently.
- Beth Etchison will be football parking lot chair again for next year.
- Fannie May candy sale in January/February will be coordinated by Donna Butler.

### d. Jazz Band Report by David Frye, co-chair, Jazz Band Coordinators

- Eau Claire summary- participating students had a great experience at this festival and benefited from clinics and guest artists
- CU Schools Foundation has offered a gift/donation in appreciation for a combo's performance at a recent fundraiser; donation will be accepted and applied to jazz fund expenses
- Jazz Fest: this event is very soon (May 2 and 3) and planning is underway. A final performance schedule will be up soon on the website and a call will be put out for volunteers to staff the event; Joe Williams has agreed to MC on Saturday evening, still working on a plan for Friday MC; there is a plan to have improved lighting in the gym area; hotel block reservations need to be let go soon; we are waiting to hear from building administrators to make a plan for event set up

e. Choir Report by Donna Butler, President

- End of the year concert will be held on Wednesday April 30. There is traditionally a senior recognition reception following the concert. Darla Wilson has agreed to help organize this event, but additional leadership (by non-senior parents) will be needed.

f. Orchestra Report

- Curreys reported that CU Baroque Artists performed during class for the orchestra and third hour choir. The performance was excellent and much appreciated!
- Donna Butler reported that Drew Phillips will continue on the booster board as Orchestra Chair next year.
- Orchestra's end of the year banquet is on May 12 at Central; food at 5:30 followed by recognition and program. Janet Roadcap and Shari Hall will co-chair.

g. Wind Symphony/Symphonic/Concert Band Report

- Band and Orchestra concert next Monday, April 28
- CDs of the following recent performances will be available for sale at the concert for \$10 each – they make GREAT gifts for students and grandparents:
  - **Wind Symphony:**
    - Centennial Fanfare March
    - Prelude, Opus 34
    - Shepherds Hey
    - Dreams Under a New Moon from Symphony #2
    - Instinctive Travels
    - Lassus Trombone
  - **Concert Band:**
    - Cloud Gate
    - Lexicon
    - Spania
  - **Orchestra:**
    - Minotour
    - Sakura
  - **Symphonic Band:**
    - Lux Aurumque
    - The Winged Stallion
  - **2013 Wind Symphony at Superstate:**
    - Concertino for four percussion
- Wind Symphony will play at Superstate on Friday evening, May 9 at Foellinger Great Hall at Krannert Center. Warm up time is 7:30; Central's performance is 8:00 pm, followed by the University of Illinois Wind Symphony and Superstate awards. Admission is free to the public for a wonderful evening of music.
- Band's end of the year banquet is on May 12 at Central; food at 5:30 followed by recognition and program. Janet Roadcap and Shari Hall will co-chair.
- Auditions for next school year to be held May 6,7,8; signups will be available one week in advance. 8<sup>th</sup> graders can email Mrs. Currey to sign up for a time.

#### h. Marching Band

- Uniforms have been taken out of storage and returned to Central. Melanie Kenney, uniform chair, commented that we have received excellent service from Country Squire Cleaners.
- Melanie has made plans for organizing fittings for next year's group and could use some volunteers during regular school days beginning after the concert next week to assist.
- Boosters **need a uniform chair** to take over for Melanie as her son graduates from Central this year. She will have the uniforms organized and fittings started, but an underclassman parent is needed to learn and take over this critical task for next year.
- A complete uniform and equipment inventory is being prepared so that we can identify needs for new equipment. Melanie will be sure that this report is sent to Donna Butler when it is finished. Donna will work with others as needed to get uniforms and equipment orders put in for the upcoming school year.
- Band camp will be held the week of August 10-15; percussion camp will be the week before.
- Donna Butler is organizing the repair of the red trailer roof and hopes to have this complete before the end of May.

#### 2. Directors Reports

- Jazz Fest: the Alumni Band planning is well underway; it is hoped that we can include biographies and photos of the returning band members in the festival program
- Lance Dixon is coordinating the printing and ad sales for festival program
- The CDs have arrived—an email should go out soon letting people know that they can purchase them for \$10 each and that they will be for sale at the concert next week.

#### 3. Plans for 2014-15 to date

- Pops Concert
  - 10/7 preferred date; 9/30 alternate; Cindy Brya has agreed to co-chair
- Jazz Gigg
  - 10/27 preferred; 10/28 alternate
  - venues not yet secured
- Middle School Tour (Franklin, Jefferson & Edison)
  - Tentative 11/21
- Swing Dance
  - 2/27 preferred; 3/6 alternate
  - Champaign Country Club will be under construction in some areas, but will still be available for our event.
- Trivia Night
  - 1/24 preferred to avoid IMEA conflict, date and event leadership undetermined at this point

Next Booster Meeting – May 19<sup>th</sup> if needed