

Minutes of the September 26, 2011 Central Music Boosters Meeting

Present: Mike Anderson, Rebecca Brooks, Scott Bush, Amy Campbell, John Currey, Jennifer Currey, Bruce Dani, Beth Engelbrecht-Wiggans, Janet Frazzetto, G. David Frye, Bobbi Gordon, Dan Gordon, Shari Hall, Julie Healy, Michelle Horvat, Mr. Jaim, Melanie Kenney, Marilou Landes, Rise Lange, Stephen Larson, Suzanne Lee, Ashley Mayer, Connie Sailor, Mary Schoen Petersen, Nancy Snell, Bruce Reardanz, Mary Joy Spohrer, Nancy Suchomski, Patti Vanderwerf, Tom Watembach, Lynn Weckhorst, Melinda Wilcox, Darla Wilson, and Kim Wurl.

The meeting began at 8:05 p.m. Beth Engelbrecht-Wiggans moved to approve the August minutes, David Frye seconded. The motion passed.

Budget: Suzanne Lee reported that the treasurer switchover from Tim Born to Beth Engelbrecht-Wiggans is in progress. The only items that may need further consideration are marching band items. Tim and Beth are reviewing that portion of the budget. Future purchases for marching band include ladders, carts, and repairing the trailer. Beth and Tim will prioritize based on need and the current budget.

Thanks: Suzanne then thanked individuals and groups for their contributions to the Booster programs thus far.

Truck/Trailer: The marching band trailer will be repaired after the season is over. The young man who hit it has no insurance, so a claim will be filed on our insurance. Unit 4 is getting a Ford F50 to pull the trailer and the insurance will be taken over by the district as well—so these items will be owned by Unit 4 and no longer be a booster responsibility. Mr. Currey reported that Mr. Malito, the interim superintendent, has been very receptive to the needs of the band program, both at Central and at other district schools.

Volunteer drivers willing to drive the Ford 550 or to pull the smaller trailer will need to get copies of their driver's licenses to Suzanne Lee so that they can be properly registered on the Unit 4 insurance.

Fundraising: Scott Bush (fundraising chairperson) reported that parking was going well. For the remainder of the season, Central Bands will only have the bank lot to park. He asked for people to volunteer to help with fundraising—particularly to be a business contact person (to liaison between a business and the band program) and to help with the social media aspects of the fund raising (i.e., someone to be the Facebook project leader). Other upcoming fundraising opportunities include Bergner Days, fruit sales, and an event at the Savoy 16 on November 10, where the boosters will get one half of concession sales made with a special coupon, up to \$500.

Jazz Band: Amy Campbell (jazz chairperson) reported that the fall Jazz concert was now November 2 (not November 1) at Jupiter's at the Crossing. On Thursday, November 17, the Stage and Ensemble jazz bands will record their audition tapes for Savannah and Ellington. December 13, there is a jazz gig at the Iron Post. Jazz band photos are being arranged. Amy reported that lots of help will be needed for Swing Central and Jazz Fest, so please consider volunteering.

Pops Concert: Julie Healy (chairperson) reported that volunteer signups have been good, but Concert band and Symphonic band parents were still needed to serve dinner during Wind Symphony and Orchestra. Ticket sales were okay, but they anticipate a last minute flurry. Lisa Magro was in charge of the kitchen and would be ordering the food from Fazoli's. Volunteers bringing desserts were asked to please make sure everything was nut free, including peanut butter, because Faith is a nut-free facility. Julie also reported that there would be no silent auction this year.

Madrigal Dinner: Stephen Larson reported that the Madrigal Dinner will be held December 3 and 4 this year. The site has not yet been chosen, but it will not be Sealy Hall. If anyone knows of a suitable church or other venue, please let him know. Also, volunteers are needed to help with decorations and costumes.

Marching Band: Kim Wurl (Marching Band chairperson) reported that the Danville competition went smoothly and that the band was awarded second in their class and overall. She thanked the drivers, chaperones, and pit crew for their help. Kim reminded parents to check the fit of their child's uniform and to make sure s/he had long black socks and the marching band shoes—especially on competition days.

Directors Reports: Stephen Larson reported that the musical, *A Chorus Line*, was coming along well and the students would be performing two numbers at the Pops Concert. He also reported that five students from the choral programs went to Milliken Vocal Festival and sang with students from five states.

The Curreys reported that they are trying to arrange a couple of orchestra field trips, including one to a CSO open rehearsal and one to the Vandercook Festival. Orchestra will also play at Academic Letter Night.

The Curreys also reported that three bus loads of students will be going to IMEA auditions and that chaperones were needed. Buses leave at 7 a.m. sharp and will return as they fill up. IMEA jazz is now November 12, but Mr. Currey cannot go on that date, so parents will be needed to help chaperone. Also, November 11 is Dr. Tim and chaperones will be needed for that as well. That trip is usually geared toward marching band students.

Tepper grants are due this week. The Curreys are trying to get \$250 so that Adam Larson will write a jazz piece specifically for Central.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

The next Booster meeting is Monday, November 7, 2011 at 7:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Brooks, secretary.