## Champaign Central Music Boosters Meeting Monday, August 31, 2009

**Present:** Greg Anderson, Michael Anderson, Brad Ashmore, Kathy Ashmore, Tim Born, Rebecca Brooks, Ruthie Counter, Chuck Dunnum, Kathy Dwyer, Leslie Erwin, Beth Etchison, Tina Farthing, Larry Frederickson, G. David Frye, Stacey Good, Scott Goslin, Colleen Hammel, John Hart, Lucinda Lawrence Hart, Don Hittle, Jenette Hoch, Mary Hosier, Brent Kincheloe, Rita Kincheloe, Julie King, Jungwon Lee, Suzanne Lee, Misty Nolan, Joy Pace, Carole Palmer, Suk Young Park, Mary Shoen Petersen, Joel Plutchak, Julie Ramsey, Bryan Reynolds, Janet Roadcap, Connie Sailor, Paul Sailor, Shandra Summerville, Patti Vanderwerf, Bill Webber, Lynn Weckhorst, Melinda Wilcox, Kim Wurl, plus a few others

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Approval Of Minutes.** Minutes from June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009, booster meeting were approved.

**Introduction.** Greg introduced the music booster board members for 2009-2010. The directors were also introduced.

All-Music Trip. Trip will be March 10-14, 2010. Students will miss school that Thursday and Friday. Cost is \$750-\$800 for students and \$860-\$880 for chaperones. Tentative due dates for payments: \$100 by Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>; \$200 by Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>; \$200 by Nov. 30; balance due by Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>. Need to know how many people are going on trip by mid-Oct. The first \$100 must be paid for in cash (only exception:if students already have enough student credits to pay for the whole trip). The rest of the trip may be paid in student credits. Highlights of the trip include clinics, performances, and sight-seeing. Fundraising opportunities include the car washes (during summer and going on now), fruit sales (in late fall), a dollar drive (need a coordinator), selling Fannie Mae and World's Finest Chocolate. Band, choir, and orchestra students can participate in any or all of the fundraisers. Mr. Mohr spoke to the choir parents and asked them to sign up for the choir mailing list at centralchorus.org. The Madrigal Dinner (a fundraiser) will be Dec. 5 and 6 in Seely Hall.

**Financial Report.** Budget for July 1-June 30 shows a \$11,597.00 balance (last year the balance was \$15,700.00). There are three budgets within Music Boosters: general band/music, marching band, and jazz band. General band/music budget has total of \$46,060.00 with \$38,440.00 in expenses (net gain of \$7620.00). Marching band budget has income of \$10,000.00 with expenses of \$16,775.00 (net loss of \$5933.00). Jazz band budget, not including Swing Central or Jazz Fest, has \$4940.00 in income and \$7300.00 in expenses (net loss \$2300.00). The jazz band budget does not include funding for the third jazz band (lab band) as it is hoped that Unit 4 will pay for the instructor's cost. Budget approved.

**Marching Band.** Lucinda asked for help with uniforms and sent around a sign-up for laundry and post-season assistance. There are enough parent volunteers for the first home game on Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>; need more parent help for the second home game on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>. Also need parent help for Washington and EIU band festival competitions. Mr. Currey noted that marching band is going very smoothly. More water donations are needed. There are 16 students in the guard. Mrs. Currey asked people to go to illinoishomepage.net and vote for Central over Urbana. If Central wins, band members will be featured on WCIA Friday morning. She also urged parents to send water and snacks with their students to the game on Friday.

Concert Band. IMEA District Band auditions will be Oct. 12th in Bloomington for jazz and concert

bands, choir, and orchestra. IMEA performances will be Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The Pops Concert will be Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>. Coordinators are needed for it. Jazz and concert bands, choir, and orchestra will perform during a dinner. It will be held at Faith United Methodist Church (location cost: \$100.00). There will be random drawings for raffle prizes. An emcee is needed as well as someone to coordinate the prizes. Ideas for raffle items include themed baskets, services, tickets, Illini gear, gift certificates, electronics, etc. Kim offered to make up gift certificates or gift baskets. A google account may be set up so people can post ideas on raffle prizes to avoid duplication. Brenda Walsh will do the food. The purpose of the Pops Concert is to raise money to be able to lower the cost of the music trip. It could be an annual event which would supply money for other needed music items. A concert band coordinator is still needed.

**Jazz Band.** Jazz band auditions will be Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Combo auditions will be either the 8<sup>th</sup> or the 9<sup>th</sup>. The third jazz band does not have funding yet, but Mr. Currey believes Unit 4 should fund it. He will let parents know if he needs help in advocating for the funds.

**Fundraising.** Volunteers are needed for fundraising activities: car wash, fruit sales, pops concert, mums (in the past), Illini football parking, Fannie Mae candy, and jackets. On jackets: they come in men's and women's sizes; first order will be sent within 3 to 4 weeks; can sell jackets at the open house and at football and other games; price is \$45.00; our price margin is \$11.00. Tim and Chuck will organize the parking fundraiser. Tim thanked the Ramsey, Klaus, Papenbok, and Durant families for donating money for maroon band t-shirts.

**Communications.** The website, maroons.org, has a calendar with all the information on music activities. Also there is a list serve where parents can subscibe to maroonbands.

**Directors' Report.** Mr. Currey said instruments such as French horns, a clarinet, bass trombones, etc., were purchased by the district through Textbook Adoption which occurs every 7 years. Boosters bought drums for the band. The smart board is very useful. Mrs. Currey thanked boosters for purchasing instruments for beginning band. Students are very grateful to be able to take them home to use. Beginning band members will be transitioned into concert bands next semester. Steve Carter donated his son's trumpet and a thank you will be sent. Parents were thanked for sending in absence forms as it really helps with planning. Marching band tours to Unit 4 middle schools will be Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>. A suggestion was made to show jackets to the 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Upcoming booster meetings are scheduled for Oct. 5 and Nov. 2. The Dec. meeting will be Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>.