

**Central High School
Music Boosters Meeting
February 11, 2019**

In attendance: Gretchen Pein, Laura Schmidt, Scott Schmidt, Cindy Brya, Kim Wurl, G. David Frye, Jim Duncker, Margee Poole, Beth Frasca, Melinda Branch, Donna Butler, Jennifer Currey, John Currey.

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm

Trivia Night (Jim Duncker): Final profit is around \$5700. Food cost was \$800 but Dos Reales charged only \$275 and were great about preparing extra food at a moment's notice. We will need new coordinators for next year. Other suggestions for next year: prepare instructions for judges on how to handle a protest or disagreement and create one answer key per category.

Swing Central (Anke Voss): Feb 22 at Champaign Country Club. Three \$500 sponsorships have already been received. Still need volunteers and will need someone to organize this event next year. G. David Frye is coordinating the sound and equipment on Thursday and will send a general email to get more regular help for setup & teardown crew for these events.

Jazz Fest (Anke Voss): We will need someone to help coordinate the programs (sales of ads and printing) and food. Guest artist will be Jeff Hamilton, drummer and judge at Essentially Ellington. The Curreys will send an email to the parent list to seek help.

Treasurer's Report (Donna Butler): A number of people have not paid for the marching band polos. Donna will push statements out to parents since there's a good chance many don't remember to check balances or realize a balance is due. Checks need to be ordered and will now have the changed name (Central Music Boosters instead of Band Boosters) and new logo. Donna will investigate putting some funds from the money market account into shorter-term CDs. Mr. Currey reports that Purdue will credit us for next year's Jazz Fest fees (four groups) and refund us for two groups. Ditto for the Washington Marching Band competition.

Director's Report (Mrs. Currey for Mr. Schulze): Two students participated in the Parkland Choir Fest. Central and Centennial's choirs combined to sing the national anthem at a recent Illinois Men's Basketball game. Concert is Feb 28. Making plans for a Six Flags performance in the spring.

Director's Report (Mr. Currey & Mrs. Currey): New Trier Jazz Fest was fantastic and included a dinner for Women in Jazz. Sun Prairie is this Saturday and 9 people from Lincoln Center will be giving clinics. Beloit will be coming to perform at Swing Central, and enough people are lined up to have two rotations in the alumni band at Central Jazz Fest. Recordings will be submitted to SuperState by the end of February. All State was great.

Equipment: Everything must be out of the basement by spring break, so we'll need lots of help to move it to the church (where band will rehearse next year).

Three computers are in desperate need of repair or replacement as they are very slow and there is a fear of losing valuable information. D. Frye will take a look.

Band & Orchestra concert is Wed Feb 20.

Swing Society will be giving dance lessons to students this Thursday.

Charms (tracking system currently used by Music Boosters for financial info and to send emails) is going district-wide soon. Questions about whether we will continue to use/fund the version we have now.

Mrs. Currey will set a date for the end-of-the-year awards night by the next meeting.

Champaign City Council approved all things necessary to proceed with the construction projects.

Scholarships for summer music programs: There was brief discussion on how much money the Music Boosters provides and how many students take advantage of the scholarships. Cindy Brya will gather the historical information and share at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.