Central High School Music Boosters Meeting

Monday October 12, 2020

In attendance: Mary Combs, Clara Chen, Scott Schmidt, Nick Schulze, Laura Stevens, Stacie Young, Erin Bauer, Jennifer Currey, Anthony Thomas, Marilee Johnson, John Currey, Judy Altaner, Steve Altaner, Joanna Wozniak, Mike Wozniak, Lyn Levesque, Gwendolyn Breg, Lindsay Biggler, Steve Simon, Angela Clark.

Minutes from the Sept 14 meeting were reviewed and approved. Minutes are posted on the Booster's website

Fruit Sale (Staci Young): Many changes since last meeting. PeeJay's was very expensive this year so we are going with Central Illinois Produce. \$27 each for boxes of oranges, grapefruit, or mixed. \$10 profit per box: half to Boosters, half to student account. Customers will pick up at CIP. Will use CheddarUp for fruit donations to Daily Bread Soup Kitchen & EIF or monetary donations to CHS Music Boosters. October 19 is kickoff and sales end Nov 14. CIP doesn't know yet if they'll need us to help with customer pickup. Email will go to students and then another email to parents. Looking into getting a billboard space donated by Adams Outdoor Advertising.

Football Parking (Laura Stevens): we have one lot available to use this season but the stadium will be at limited capacity for the 4 home games. Do we want to try staffing the lot for this year's games? Begin Oct 31 and go through Nov. Laura and Scott Schmidt will try it and see if it's worth the effort.

Large Donation Update: Mr. & Mrs. Currey, Clara, and Mary are working with CU Schools on options for this and hope to have updates for the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Clara Chen): received some payments for marching band & jazz band participation fees, and expenses of marching band drill, tax prep, and instrument repair. Still missing 60-70% of participation fees from students. Should we send statements now or wait until after the fruit sale? Send now.

Marching Band Report (Marilee Johnson & Mrs. Currey): meeting all together this week and next week. Drill utilizes social distancing. Hope to have drone footage and recordings to share with parents by the end of the month. Will be learning a second show that is a collaboration of composers, choreographers & drill creators, called One Nation. If One Nation goes well, we may participate in One World, which is a similar collaboration.

Trivia Night (Marilee Johnson): should we postpone this to 2022? Probably, but there are some groups doing virtual Trivia Nights so that might be a possibility.

Jazz Band Report (Mr. Currey): rehearsals are going well, health checks are working, some students are arriving late. Ensembles sound really good, and attendance has been great for Lab Band. Pictures on Thursday by John Dessen of Illini Studio; will take photos outside. ILMEA auditions are due at midnight tonight.

Director's Report (Mr. Currey, Mrs. Currey): school district has agreed to purchase 2 basses for us; now we have 7 decent instruments and 4 that aren't great, but at least we have one for each student. Class periods are shorter but very little sacrifice of quality of that time together. Would love to have feedback from parents regarding their students' experience in class.

Choir (Mr. Schulze): attempting to record a group performance via Zoom. Working on new tunes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.