

Central High School Music Boosters Minutes
March 11, 2013

The Central High School Music Boosters met at 8:00pm in the band room on Monday, March 11, 2013. Present were Linda Wessels, Scott Bush, Tracy Nugent, Kari Imlay, Shari Hall, Suzanne Lee, Beth Englebrecht-Wiggans, David Frye, Mary Schoen Petersen, Tom Watembach, Dan Schreiber, Melanie Kenney, Drew Phillips, Nancy Snell, Rebecca Brooks, Amy Campbell, Shari Hall.

President Suzanne Lee opened the meeting. Minutes of January 9, 2013 were silently read by members present. Correction of the minutes made: David Fry to David Frye. Motion then carried for approval of the Minutes. Introductions were made.

Treasurer Report by Beth Englebrecht-Wiggans

- A. To date, bills covering insurance, licensing, trailer have been paid totaling \$4000+. We are on budget and have money in savings.

President's Report by Suzanne Lee

- A. We are filling vacant slots for the upcoming 2013-14 school year, but still need nominations for president, vice-president and secretary. Send recommendations to Suzanne Lee at suzannelee05@gmail.com. Need a freshman/sophomore parent to assist with marching band uniforms.
- B. Funds have been reserved to purchase a computer, keyboard, and support summer camp scholarships.
- C. End-of-Year Banquet, scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, recognizes all participants in the music program. Awards are presented and seniors are highlighted. Ann Rast will head the committee with assistance from Janet Roadcap and Julie Healey. Held in the school cafeteria, dinner at 5:30 and program begins at 6:00.

Choir Report by Stephen Larson

- A. End-of-year program highlighting a concert by the seniors followed by cookie/punch reception is scheduled for May 3, 7:00 pm, Decker Theater.
- B. Hinds Community College Choir from Raymond, Mississippi performed for classes requesting attendance during third hour.
- C. On March 7, Central and Centennial successfully combined their choirs and orchestras to perform Vivaldi's "Gloria," with professional soloists, and other individual selections. It was a full house held at Garden Hills Elementary School.

Jazz Report by Amy Campbell

- A. Swing Central 2013 raised \$3,007. Swing Central 2014 is booked at the Country Club.
- B. Mr. Currey reported that Champaign Country Club has requested a gig for July 3, 2013.
- C. Amy Campbell and Ann Coddington roll off as jazz band coordinators at year's end. **We need** freshman/sophomore parents to volunteer to serve this need in 2013-14. Contact amy_campbell@hotmail.com.
- D. **Need volunteers** with graphic design experience to create the program for Jazz Fest, April 26-27.

Concert Bands Report by Suzanne Lee

- A. Spring Concert scheduled May 1.
- B. Application has been made for the Wind Symphony to participate at Superstate at the U of I. Expect to hear the results by end of March.

Marching Band Report by Melanie Kenney

- A. Marching Band Committee has started counting uniforms in preparation for next year. Need to order more jackets and shakos. There is a capital reserve fund in place to recoup uniform fees with an estimate of \$114 for each jacket. We estimate count to be 175-180 participating in 2013-14.
- B. After spring break, rehearsal and auditions begin for drum line and color guard. Drum line clinics are March 25, April 1, April 22, April 29 from 3:30-5:30. Auditions April 3, 3:30. Color guard clinics are Sunday evenings beginning April 7, 6-8pm.
- C. Fall Marching Band Trip November 27-December 1. Need chaperones at approximate ratio of 10:1. Performing in the Dunkin' Donuts Thanksgiving Parade in Philadelphia. Cost estimated at \$875-900. Check out this website depicting 2012 parade:
<http://www.visitphilly.com/events/philadelphia/philadelphia-thanksgiving-day-parade>.
Bob Rogers Travel will coordinate. Following activities in Philadelphia, the band will travel to New York City for entertainment. No performances scheduled in NYC. An *Intent to Travel* form with first payment of \$250 is due April 19; second \$250 due May 24; third \$250 due August 9; final payment due early October. Payments will be accepted at any time over the summer if mailed to Central Music Band Boosters, P. O. Box 1224, Champaign, IL 61824.

Orchestra Report by Shari Hall

On February 27, our orchestra attended an open rehearsal of Chicago Symphony Orchestra with Yo-Yo-Ma. An informative and entertaining Q & A session followed. Every student was expected to type a page describing their response to this experience. In the afternoon we participated in a clinic lead by Mark Bettcher, orchestra director at Dundee Crown High School.

Fundraiser Report by Suzanne Lee

- A. Trivia Night raised \$6354. All went well. No complaints from FUM.
- B. **REQUIRES ACTION:** Need a co-coordinator to learn the ropes since Scott rolls off this year.
- C. **REQUIRES ACTION:** We are still in need of car wash coordinator. In the past we pre sell tickets. This fundraiser provides more money for the individual accounts rather than the general fund.
- D. **REQUIRES ACTION:** Time to solicit businesses for funds in the spring. Reports that businesses prefer to donate "in kind" rather than cash.

Director's Report by John and Jennifer Currey

There has been some fraudulent activity through past fundraising events. Primary concern is to maintain our reputation. Discussion ensued about ways to prevent this from happening in the future, i.e., stricter accounting by providing serial numbers and ID lanyards proving association with Maroons.

Adjournment. The meeting concluded at 9:00pm.

Next meeting. Monday, April 22, 8 o'clock pm. Location: Band or Choir Room.

- Important Dates:**
- 1) April 17-21 "Into the Woods" theater production, Decker
 - 2) April 19, first payment due for fall marching band trip
 - 3) April 22, 8pm, Music Boosters Meeting, Band Room
 - 4) May 1, Spring Concert for all bands/orchestra, Decker
 - 5) May 3, 7pm, Senior Solo Recital for choir, Decker
 - 6) May 20, 8pm, Music Boosters Meeting, Band Room
 - 7) May 22, 5:30, End-of-Year Banquet, School Cafeteria

Respectfully Submitted,
Shari Hall