Champaign Central High School Music Boosters Meeting Monday, April 5, 2010

Present: Greg Anderson, Mike Anderson, Tim Born, John Currey, Kathy Dwyer, Beth Etchison, Tina Farthing, Colleen Hammel, John Hart, Susan Harum, Brent Kincheloe, Rita Kincheloe, Lucinda Lawrence, Suzanne Lee, Tom Mohr, Mary Schoen Petersen, Connie Sailor, Paul Sailor, Patti Vanderwerf, Lynn Weckhorst, Melinda Wilcox, Kim Wurl

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 P.M.

Approval of Minutes. The minutes from the March 1, 2010 booster meeting were approved.

Correspondence/Communications. Central student Kirsten Vanderwerf received an ISYM scholarship from the symphony guild. Press releases about Jazz Fest will go out soon.

Financial Report. Booster balance after Swing Central: \$17,700.00. Greg spoke about the need for sousaphones. A motion was made to purchase two sousaphones and after discussion, the motion was approved.

Need Volunteers. Greg asked for board volunteers for the 2010-2011 school year. Kim offered to be president.

Band Picnic. Two parents have volunteered to coordinate the May 17 picnic at Hessel Park.

Choir Report. There was a choir concert scheduled for April 29, but it has been rescheduled and will now be May 12.

Orchestra Report. The Chicago Symphony Orchestra trip will be April 15. So far 41 students have signed up; there is room for 10-11 more people, either students or parents. The performance is 10 A.M. To 1 P.M. The orchestra concert will be April 29.

Marching Band Report. Uniform fittings will be May 10-12 after school during auditions. Lucinda needs parent volunteers to help.

Concert Band Report. Auditions will be May 10-12. Concerts will be April 27 (wind symphony, symphonic band) and April 29 (concert band, orchestra).

Jazz Band Report. Ensemble jazz band will perform at the fundraiser for the Keegan Bannon Memorial Scholarship at Peter B's on Sat., April 24. John H. talked about plans for Jazz Fest on April 30 and May 1 in Combes Gym. A clinic will be offered at 4:30 on Saturday. Rob Parton will be the guest artist. Volunteers are needed; a sign-up was passed around. It was decided to ask that parents bring 2-liter bottles of pop to the April 27 concert and baked goods to the April 29 concert. Ads will be sold for a Jazz Fest program.

Fundraising Report. Tim asked if anyone wanted to help with a summer car wash fundraiser. He'll let incoming freshmen know about it this year.

New Business. Greg described the Keegan Bannon Award to be presented by the boosters and given annually to a student that demonstrates hard work, high standards, and good character. He will price

award plaques with name plates. A certificate will be given to the student who wins. It was decided that music boosters would make a donation to the Keegan Bannon fundraiser on April 24 (designed to fund the Keegan Bannon Scholarship through the C-U Schools Foundation). After discussion, a \$500.00 donation was approved. It is also time for Summer Camp Scholarships. Greg will create an online form for that.

Director's Report. Mr. Currey reported that we did not get the Mr. Holland's Opus grant, but we did get the Big Beat grant for percussion (almost (\$3000.00). He is using the money for replacing heads on drums, cymbals, bongos, etc. Wind symphony got into the Superstate competition again this year. Mr. Currey requested an 8 A.M.performance time. He talked about a high school band that would like to come and do a collaboration with our band at some point. He also mentioned that the Ron Carter band is touring and would like to come and do a concert, but it costs thousands of dollars to make that happen. He said we made it through the budget cuts OK for this year, but future years are unknown. Mr. Currey is optimistic that in 2 years the marching band could be up to 200 students and numbers of students in all bands will go up.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 P.M.