

## **Champaign Central Music Booster Meeting Monday, September 27, 2010**

Present: Tim Born, Rebecca Brooks, Scott Bush, Jennifer Currey, John Currey, Chuck Dunnum, Kathy Dwyer, Beth Engelbrecht-Wiggins, Beth Etchison, Tina Farthing, Becca Foli, David Frye, Colleen Hammel, Susan Harum, Tina Hurt, Barbara Jones, Stephen Larson, Suzanne Lee, Deena Love, Mary Shoen Petersen, Ann Rast, Bruce Reardanz, Connie Sailor, Patti Vanderwerf, Lisa Warne-Magro, Lynn Weckhorst, Melinda Wilcox, Darla Wilson Dan Wurl, Kim Wurl, plus about 5 others

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M.

The minutes of the August 30<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

**Financial Report.** No report.

**Choir Involvement & Communications.** It was suggested that a choir VP position be created for the board. Choir/orchestra is now part of the trips and fundraising that we plan; they need their own link on the website. We discussed a google list that is specifically for choir and orchestra.

**Pops Concert.** The pops concert will be Oct. 5 at the First Baptist Church. Prizes are being planned. We need flyers to send out. The deadline to RSVP for dinner is this Thursday. Sign-ups were passed around. Marching band students will not go to the field on either Monday (faculty meeting) or Tuesday (pops concert). We discussed details such as needs for pianos, risers, stands, and percussion equipment.

**Fundraising.** Ann will help coordinate the Fannie Mae fundraiser; we decided early spring around Valentine's Day or Easter would be the best time for that. Mrs. Currey noted that all new fundraising ideas must go through the assistant principal's office first. The fruit sale is our #1 revenue maker. We need to get a group together for it so forms and past sales lists can be passed out. Chuck and Julie King will coordinate it. Tim will give details to Scott. Scott will sell our remaining jackets at the pops concert. Mr. Currey would like to see boosters order and sell polo shirts with our logo on them, too. Tom Coleman, who makes our jackets, could make the polos also. We need to order the thin jackets early in the season; instead of every year, we could sell them every other year. The parking fundraiser is going well. (At this point the choir parents left for their own meeting with Mr. Larson.)

**Marching Band.** Kim noted that the students did great both on and off the field at the Newton and Effingham band festivals on Sat., Sept. 25. We owe the Donnys a great deal of thanks as they repaired the van and trailer, drove their own truck to the festivals, and helped make the shield props for the field show. We have two games and two festivals left in the season with 16 new pieces of props; more volunteer help is needed for set-up prior to the field show. Replay concert is Nov. 16. Senior parents don't need to help with that as they and their senior students are being honored that night. Some band uniform pieces were left unclaimed after the last game. Some students need taller black socks or judges will deduct points for skin showing. It would be very helpful if a uniform person would go to festivals and be available for uniform help. Tim reminded parents to turn in receipts for reimbursement. Suzanne is writing several grant proposals and needs touching letters with true testimonials and personal stories within the next few weeks to complete the proposals.

**Jazz Band.** Jazz photos will be taken this Thursday at 7:15 A.M. Next Sun., Oct. 3, is the bonfire. Susan passed out the proposed jazz schedule. The final schedule will be sent out soon. Another jazz

festival may be added. She urged everyone to be on the lookout for gigs. On Fri., Dec. 10, a jazz group from Indiana will rehearse here and have a gig at Iron Post at 8 P.M. that evening. There will be 22-23 students who will need home stays. We pay combo teachers \$1000 for each jazz band they lead.

**Director's Report.** Mrs. Currey said that Oct. 11 is the IMEA auditions. There is no school that day. Two buses will leave at 7 A.M. Students should dress nicely. The orchestra will play at Academic Letter Night on Oct. 27. On Oct. 28, there is a gig at the train station. Combo 1 will play at 6:00 P.M. and will earn \$150.00. Ensemble jazz band will record a tape during the third week of October for the Savannah jazz festival. The tape is due by Oct. 29, and we will find out the results by Nov. 12. If we get in to that festival, they will send people to work with our jazz band. The score sheets after the first band festival look good. The students played better at Effingham because it was later in the day and had constructive comments. Central's band was 3/100 behind first place. This Friday is the homecoming pep rally, parade, and home game at Central. On Oct. 9, the band goes to Eastern Illinois University's band festival and performs around 5 P.M. Buses will leave by 2 P.M. There will be morning rehearsal at Centennial's field from 8:30 to 10:00 A.M. after which instruments will be loaded onto the trailer. On Oct. 16 the band will perform at the U of I festival around 3 P.M. Dr. Tim is back for his leadership conference this fall. It will be Nov. 12 in Indianapolis. Mr. And Mrs. Currey extended thank yous to all parents for helping last weekend. Suzanne is working on the Mr. Holland's Opus grant. The Big Beat grant is due Nov. 7. The Tepper grant is due this Friday. The "drops" (dropio) are working for music downloads for students. Compliments were heard from parents on band kids' behavior recently. The *Hairspray* matinee is Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.