

Central Music Boosters Minutes
September 18, 2017
7:30pm Central Band Room

In attendance:

Gretchen Pein, Shawn Flaningam, Donna Butler, Elizabeth Kuntz, Beth McDonald, Anke Voss, Stacie Young, Kim Wurl, Jackie Loewenstein, Matt Kuenning, G. David Frye, Carrie Duncker, Mitchell Jones, John Currey, Jennifer Currey, Stephen Larson, Janet Roadcap.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm. All in attendance introduced themselves.

Business Items:

Disney Trip Financial Aid- Cindy Brya

12 students applied for financial aid for Disney Trip, 10 received \$350 scholarships. All 10 who received aid had participated in fundraising opportunities provided by the boosters.

Fruit Sale- Stacie Young

Sale will start October 23rd and orders need to be submitted to PeeJays by November 13th. We can have small add on order up until November 20th. Fruit will be delivered December 1st. Due to the recent hurricanes, the prices will be higher than last year, and a portion of the sales will go to hurricane relief. We will offer the option for customers to donate to the Food Bank and/or Daily Soup Kitchen again this year.

Football Parking- Shawn Flaningam

Parking for the two Illini games has raised \$1,220 so far this year. \$180/game goes into student accounts the remainder goes into the Booster funds. Shawn suggested raising the student portion for the games between now and the Disney Trip. Discussion concluded with the decision to raise the student portion to \$27/worker for the games through the end of October.

Booster Needs for 2017-2018

We need willing drivers for the rest of this year and beyond for the new band trailer. Band trailer is nearly complete. Trailer will be finished by Wednesday except sponsor names. Mr. Currey said it's "awesome" and can be loaded in 10 minutes, which is a great improvement over old trailer.

Treasurers Report: Donna Butler

Current account information: Checking \$59,743, Savings \$63,094.

We received \$54 from Kona Ice for sales at Marching Band preview.

New Charms software for keeping track of student accounts will cost \$395/year vs. old software that was \$540/yr. And it is much more flexible in what it can do.

Tracy Nugent got nearly all of the new trailer covered with donations.

The new trailer's insurance is the same as the old trailer. Question was brought up as to whether the contents also needed to be covered by the booster's insurance or if the school district's insurance covers the contents, since the contents belong to the school.

Marching Band report: Kim Wurl

The band is working really hard this year and showing great progress.

Congrats to Eddy Almonord, our Drum Major, who was chosen to lead the Macy's Day Parade in New York City this Thanksgiving.

The t-shirts for parents and volunteers came in today.

Please look at the Sign-Up Genius to volunteer for upcoming games and marching competitions.

Kim is making lanyards with pictures and instructions for marching band helpers. This should make volunteering less daunting for new parents.

Kim said that we need pool noodles to cover wires on trailer doors. Jennifer Currey offered to donate those.

Thanks to Scott Schmitt, Tracy Nugent, and Shawn Flaningam for outfitting the trailer.

Thanks to Susan Flanagan for setting up volunteers and keeping us informed from afar.

Susan Zola and Laura Taylor both sent comments after the last game on how great the band looks. Joe Wolfe will be coming to clinic the band Wednesday. Discussion ended in the decision to give him a \$50 gift card for his help.

Choir Report: Stephen Larson

Four students were accepted to the Millikin University Vocal Festival this year. Three students attended.

We are getting ready for IMEA

The choir just received the music for the Disney performance, and it is challenging

Madrigal Dinner is set for December 9th and 10th at Central. We will need new decorations because the parent who supplied decorations is no longer at Central.

We are looking for a parent to take over Madrigal Dinner and other Choir coordination.

Jazz Report: Anke Voss

October 30th is set for Jupiter's at the Crossing. 4pm set up, 6-10pm music, take down until finished.

They will have wristbands at the door that will need to be shown to eat.

Will have a sign-up at the desk to get current email and other info for Jazz band families

Pictures will be scheduled soon, and recordings for Savannah and Ellington scheduled soon too.

Swing Central is February 23rd at the Champaign Country Club.

Jazz Fest is April 13th and 14th at Central

A grant application was written to have Ron Carter come and clinic.

November 1st and 2nd- Victor Goines will be in town to clinic at Central, Centennial and Jefferson. A CU Foundation Grant is helping to pay for his visit. The three schools will split the cost of his hotel.

Director's Report: Jennifer and John Currey

We have had another bass donated as well as a clarinet. Thank you notes have been sent for those.

We need to purchase bass pickups.

Pops Concert is October 4th, 6pm at the school. Details will come out next week.

Concert band assessments will be next Monday.

About 115 students are going on the Disney Trip.

The Curreys and Mr. Larson are working on the design phase of the new Central HS music department. They are visiting other high school facilities in the state to decide what they would like to have included in the new space.

Other Business:

Cindy Brya- We are looking into getting enrolled in the Amazon Smiles program to get cash back for purchases on amazon. Also need to get more families enrolled in the Schnuck's rewards program. We received \$360 last year from people shopping at Schnuck's.

Shawn Flaningam will reserve spaces at the fairground barns for our two trailers to keep them over the winter. Trivia Night will be February 3rd and we need to get volunteers lined up to help.

Motion to adjourn was made by Beth McDonald, seconded by Janet Roadcap.

Notes submitted by Janet Roadcap, Music Boosters Secretary.