

## Central HS Music Boosters Meeting

October 14, 2019

**In attendance:** John Currey, Jennifer Currey, Nick Schulze, Gretchen Pein, Joanna Wozniak, Michael Wozniak, Scott Schmidt, Mary Combs, Rachel Tyson, Kim Wurl, Melinda Branch, Stacie Young, Clara Chen, Laura Stevens.

**Minutes from last meeting:** added Melinda Branch to those who attended.

**Trailer tires & updates (Scott Schmidt):** Members voted to pay for replacement tires that were bald. Shawn Flaningam took the trailer for maintenance; the axles were greased and it was noted that cables on two doors are frayed. The hitch was not installed at this time as a larger capacity model is needed and must be ordered. Price quote is coming and will be based on the weight of a full trailer. Shawn will also take the small trailer for axle-greasing.

**Yard signs:** Rachel Tyson will sell these at the Replay Concert. We received \$248 for yard signs sold at the Pops Concert.

**Fruit Sale (Stacie Young):** Biggest fundraiser, Kickoff is Oct 28. There will be 3 turn-in dates (Fridays) and the following Mondays will be opportunities for students to earn gift cards as sales incentives. Oranges were cheaper this year but sales prices are the same so the Boosters should make a bit more profit. Curtis Orchard apples will be bagged and delivered to school. Delivery date: Dec 6. Improving publicity: someone should write a letter to the editor of the News-Gazette, encouraging folks to buy fruit. Stacie will see about a blurb on WDWS. Can we put out a challenge to all music students to sell 5 boxes each? Remind students and parents that some \$ goes to student account and some to the general music program. Get fun facts on how much we spend to keep music programs alive (instrument repair, costumes, uniforms, etc).

**Amazon Smile:** Mr. Schulze noted that other band programs have used this to generate some income. Do we want to try this? Yes. Mary Combs will look into setting up a nonprofit account w/Amazon and then we can encourage people to use our Smile site for browsing & purchasing through Amazon.

**Treasurer's Report (Clara Chen):** 1/3 of students haven't yet paid their marching band and/or jazz band fees. We pay \$150/yr for a PO Box; do we wish to renew this? Yes, as it is used frequently for fundraisers and donations. Martin Hood CPA is working on the tax return. Can a senior pass on his/her existing band account to a younger sibling who isn't yet at Central? What do our bylaws say about this? Kim Wurl will check the bylaws.

**Marching Band (Kim Wurl):** Regarding the duties of chaperones, Kim will provide more information on what those are. Chaperones aren't expected to track a group of students, but should help w/pit, uniforms, snacks, etc and taking attendance on the busses. The Signup Genius is live now for the U of I Competition. Joanna Wozniak is organizing the Replay Concert. Other upcoming dates:

- \*Oct 18 football game: Senior Night
- \*Oct 26: U of I Marching Band Competition
- \*Nov 12: Replay Concert, 7:30 pm

**Jazz Bands (Melinda Branch):** October 28 is the event at Jupiter's but we need to get them a finalized schedule. Set-up starts at 4 pm, everything is the same as last year. \$8 kids, \$11 adults for the unlimited pizza bar. Purdue Jazz Fest: we need to reserve a bus and establish a departure time. T-shirts/apparel: we have a design (with the help of student Anju Murphy). Campus Ink has the best prices with a 24-piece minimum order for screen printed items and a 24-piece min for embroidered items. The online store will be open for 2 or 3 weeks and will have many options. The design is easily modified so can be used by another parent who might wish to coordinate sales specific to marching band, choir or orchestra.

**Director's Report (Mr. Currey, Mrs. Currey, Mr. Schulze):** The Pops Concert went well. Terrell Stafford will be visiting several Unit 4 schools Oct 30 – Nov 1 as part of a grant. These schools will split the cost of his airfare and hotel. Find more info on Mr. Stafford here: <http://www.terellstafford.com/>. Orchestra will be attending an open rehearsal of the Chicago Symphony in December. The Steinway piano donation has been delivered to the church, where music classes will be held before the end of this school year. We should begin moving items over to the church this fall in preparation for this. Students will be expected to walk to and from the high school and the recent schedule change (moving Wind Symphony to 2<sup>nd</sup> hour from 1<sup>st</sup> hour) may be an impediment. Concerned parents should contact Mrs. Iris Jun or Mr. Joe Williams. The choir is planning a joint concert w/Centennial and a middle school tour after. Choir will make a trip to Chicago to see the musical Mean Girls in January.

**Football parking fundraiser (Laura Stevens):** 3 games remaining and we've had excellent help. It is confirmed that we cannot use the adjacent lot. Laura and Joanna are making new signs.

**Follow up from last meeting:** the replacement amp has been purchased but is not yet installed. The bass has been ordered as well.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.