

Central High School Music Boosters Meeting

Monday February 10, 2020

In attendance: Jennifer Currey, John Currey, Kevin Snyder, Mary Combs, Gretchen Pein, Michael Wozniak, Joanna Wozniak, Stacie Young, Marilee Johnson, Clara Chen, Melinda Branch, Kevin Snyder, Gwendolyn.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

Treasurer's Report (Clara Chen): Trivia Night income was around \$5200 and expenses were around \$1000. A combo will perform at the James Scholar reception and they are asking for an invoice; Clara will see what we charged them last year and keep it the same.

Jazz Report (Melinda Branch): Swing Central is all set. Can we add a link to the Swing Central page on the Music Boosters main website? Organizers felt that table sponsorships (\$500) were out of reach for most families and some tables were left unsold last year, resulting in people using tables when they hadn't paid for them. Change this year: premium buffet ticket for \$45 includes a reserved seat at a table in the performance room. Chaperones in the warm-up room at Swing: directors & parents of other bands should be responsible for monitoring their students when in the warm-up areas. We will try selling Central Jazz car magnets at Jazz Fest; min quantity is 100. Future orders of other specialty magnets (Orchestra, Marching Band, Chorus) may be possible, depending on the success of this endeavor.

Trivia Night (Marilee Johnson): everything went well. We will need someone (or two) to fully take over the silent auction part of the event. Can we get a gift for Mr. Slotnick for hosting? Yes, \$50 Sunsinger gift card.

Director's Report (Mr Currey): April 4 is a big weekend: James Scholar reception, CU Schools Foundation gala, Edison's Java & Jazz, ILMEA board meetings so Mr. Currey will be unavailable. Upcoming jazz events:

Feb 20: Elmhurst College jazz fest, a late addition to the calendar, jazz ensemble

Feb 21: Swing Central

Feb 24: Bradley Jazz Fest, Lab Band

Feb 29: Rolling Meadows, all bands

A few helpers are needed for Elmhurst and Rolling Meadows trips. Essentially Ellington results will be broadcast live on Facebook at 5 pm Wednesday. Still searching for a guest artist for Central Jazz Fest.

Director's Report (Mrs Currey):

- May 11 as a date for year-end awards night, dessert, 7:30 pm.
- Camp Scholarships: we need to send out scholarship application & info soon as students, parents will be planning summer activities. Discussion re the way we currently award scholarships (based on application only) and a suggestion to aim more directly at students who would not otherwise have the financial means to attend a music camp and/or wouldn't consider a camp because of cost. Mary will check on the application details.

- The Color Guard instructor will not be returning this fall, so help is needed to find a replacement. It is possible to pay extra to the drill author for color guard choreography & videos.
- Still working on the request to change Wind Symphony back to 1st hour.

Website & Social Media: the current Booster board & committee chairs are having difficulty accessing the maroons.org website as admins and making necessary changes. Similarly, the facebook page appears to have several admins. We should have only current music booster members managing our web page and social media accounts, and probably a Media Chair. Mr. Wozniak volunteered to investigate new website options this summer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm