



Plainfield Band Booster minutes for April 15, 2014

Approve minutes: Motion: Tina Hayes, 2nd: Tom Giltner
Minutes approved.

Mr. Carpenter: The end of the school is approaching and is very busy. Here are some important dates.

*Spring concert – April 24, 2014

*Band festival – April 25-26 (at PHS)

*Upcoming call outs for guard, drum major, section leaders and drum line.

*Awards/Senior night – May 9th at 7:30pm

*Marching band preview night where all incoming freshman will be here. May 20 from 6-8pm. Also the booster meeting which will be held in the auditorium with the incoming freshman parents. Kids will be in the band room.

*Fall festival judges and their rooms are booked.

*We may be hosting a drum line and winter guard competition next year. Those competitions could bring in \$10,000.00 – \$12,000.00 for our booster organization

*Everyone had a great time at Disney. Tina Hayes bought the drum majors a pair of big Mickey Mouse gloves for them to wear on an occasion.

Ways and Means: Jeanette Vaughan

*Mulch sale – we made around \$1300.00 which was less then expected. The pick up day is April 19th from 7:30am – 2:00pm.

*Restaurant night at Dairy Queen will be on April 23, 2014

*Spring DVD sales have begun and there are order forms in the band room.

*There are a few trash bags left to purchase for \$10.00 per roll.

*If your child sold fundraiser items, they need to get the money in as soon as possible.

*We need hole sponsors for the golf outing coming up on May 10, 2014. She has only 6 but needs more. Also we need people to play golf in teams of 4. Many volunteers are needed to help pull this off. Everyone knows someone who likes to golf. Please let them know about the outing and get the info to them.

*There are only 2 teams signed up right now.

*The golf outing is at Oak Tree golf course on May 10, 2014.

*Any one can play. It is \$240.00 to play per team. Jeanette has flyers for hole sponsors, donations and teams. If teams register they get \$5 off per person. She is working on concession possibilities.

Treasurer update: Tim Underwood

*We only have about \$1700.00 in the band right now.

*My music office will be set up very soon which costs \$1,000.00

*That leaves us with \$700.00 for other expenses like staff.

*With the mulch, we owe them \$1600.00 and we make \$1300.00

*We have 13 bags of red mulch that Tim is going to sell on Saturday for \$5.00 per bag.

*We still owe \$3500.00 in discount cards. We did not sell all of them.

*We have to pay back our savings \$2500.00. We had to use that money to get through WGI.

*Please encourage people to volunteer at the band fundraisers. The more volunteers, the better the fundraisers and the more money we make.

*The band program is completely sponsored by the boosters right now. The only things that the school pays for are the instruments, chairs and stands. We are responsible for the rest.

*The golf outing is very important for this organization. If successful, the money raised from it will help pay staff for summer band which they get in June.

*There is some discussion about the discount cards. Tom Giltner wants to know if we can sell them for \$5.00 and at least get our money back. Maybe give the parents a chance to sell them. Tim will look at a date when we can push these cards out and try to sell them.

*My music office will be purchased this weekend.

*Our festival will be on Sept 13 and the ISSMA contest will be held on Oct. 11, 2014.

*Tim met with the choral boosters last night and discussed how the festival next week will be run. There are 20 bands coming in next Friday. Volunteer spot has many openings for people to volunteer. Students are going to be helping to set up and be used as guides and runners. We need to set up two

performance rooms for Friday night. We need about 40 people to help out on Friday and about 73 people to help out on Saturday. If you are able you can sign up for multiple shifts. Band and choir will be crossing each others shifts and we will be working at the same event. We also need to provide meals for the judges and ISSMA officials. Also, we will have concessions but will be selling snack stuff only. There will not be much need for concessions on that day.

*The first band to play on Friday will be our concert band. They perform at 4:50pm.

*The last performance will be at 10pm on Friday which is earlier than we thought.

*The first performance on Sat. will be at 9am and they will arrive around 8am. The last choirs performing will be at 3:30pm and the last bands performing will be at 8pm.

*These two days will be very long days and we need many volunteers to make this a success. The impression that we give at this competition will affect whether or not we are asked to host another competition in the future.

This Saturday is Mulch pick up day.

*people can start to pick up at 7:30am. Need people to be here at 7am to start throwing bags.

*Tim will send out an email to explain where and when to be on Saturday am.

Budget:

*The budget will be presented back to the budget committee to review again and then it will be presented to the Boosters.

*The boosters are unhappy that the fees are being raised again and there is no discount for multiple students. There will be a payment plan. First payment will be due in June and will be \$150.00, 2nd in July for \$100.00 and 3rd payment due in August for \$75.00.

*Our fees are at a minimum of \$250.00 lower than other schools. Monrovia is \$650.00. It costs a lot more to write drills for 150.00 students. Much more than in previous years.

Band camp dates:

*June 2-6 and June 9-11. There will also be the normal 2 week band camp before school starts.

*Our first performance will be at the first home football game which is 2 weeks after school starts.

There was a question brought up about BOA and whether or not we were going to join. There is not money in the budget for that this year but maybe in the future.

There was much discussion about why our fees are what they are and why they will go up incrementally. We need these fees and fundraisers to keep the band running. We need the fundraisers so that you can see where all of the money is going to. If we didn't have fundraisers, we wouldn't have band. We cannot have people write checks. That doesn't help our situation and many people don't have money to hand out like that.

*We have lots of layers in the finances where the fundraising money goes towards. Some go the student accounts, some go to the boosters and some go to Mr. Carpenter in his school account.

*If we pay for everything in the budget with just band fees, fees would be \$1700.00 per student. This is why we do fundraising.

*Our budget is small for all our band does throughout the year. We are severely under paying our support staff that we have. We need to have a good balance between our fees and our fundraisers.

Next month meeting: May 20, 2014

This is the marching band preview night with all of the incoming freshman and their parents.

Elections are next month also.

Motion to adjourn: Clint Groeschen

2nd: Ann Darrough

Meeting adjourned