

## BAND BOOSTER MEETING

August 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Troy Crum. Sign in sheets are in both the front and the back of the band room.

Director's Comments: Most of the pictures are done. For those who have not had pictures taken, they can do it next Monday. This Friday is the first football game. We need to be at the school at 5:45, game starts at 7:00. 6:45 is the national Anthem then the game. When we are in the stands, there can be no visitors up there. So if you are chaperoning, no boyfriends, siblings etc. Couple of reasons, uniforms and instruments. We don't want them hurt. We will stay until the game is over. The only exception is if we have an early contest the next day. This Thursday at 8:00, if you would like to push stuff on the field be there. We have a lot to put on the field. We also have wired mics so we will have to have those taped down. Because there is so much stuff, we will not be marching on the field in a block because students will be helping with props.

September 9 is the Middle School Night and Homecoming. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be marching with us. On September 23, we are doing the Lucas Oil game. He has no information on details at this point. On August 24 the leadership is going to a Leadership Conference in Mooresville. Mr. Carpenter will be taking the students there.

We had our first bout with inclement weather. When tornado sirens go off, we go into a tornado drill mode. If parents are here, and the parents want to take their child, he cannot stop them but older siblings cannot take their siblings. That is for liability for him. As for contests, we know the dates but we don't usually know the performance times until 2 weeks before. He will get a schedule out as soon as he can prior to those.

Treasurer's Report: Bill Wolfe reported that we have \$9900.53 in checking/savings, with \$3000 marked as concessions that goes to other people and \$21,006.89 in the uniform fund. We have had a lot of expenses in the last couple of weeks. The third band payment is due next week.

Fundraising: Beverly Flanagan stated the restaurant night for the band in Virginia raised \$185 and got 3 instruments donated. She ordered 190 show shirts for this year. We ordered another 200 after family night. We used to have a woman who did buttons at the invitational. She has show buttons available to buy now and you can also personalize those with your child's name. We get a percentage of those sales as well. The next money maker is the trash bag fundraiser. They are the large recycled bags that come in rolls. She will have order forms at the next meeting and they will be due after fall break. The Alumni push they have been working on is going well. A generalized letter has been sent out. They will be working on their background checks. Once they have those, they will have receive shirts to show that they are alumni.

Prop Construction: Kevin Robins gave a quick props report. Structurally we have a couple more braces to do on the main prop. It will be done Thursday evening. They started on the art and paint work tonight. We need all the help we can get. The next night will be Thursday. We will be working nights

that the kids are at practice. Clint is welcoming anyone who wants to be on the loading crew let him know. It is fun! If you load you get passes in to the contests sometimes free if available.

Uniforms: Shelly Ross reported they are mostly done except for some snaps. Students were told how to take them off and hang them up and about 6 were hung correctly. She will need to go over that again. Because of the material, please be very careful. This is all the material there is in the U.S. Be careful with fingernails, etc. Tell the kids also not to scoot in them but get up and move over. Uniform reminders; no jewelry, black socks, black T shirts, compression shorts, hair up, etc.

Volunteer Opportunities: Dana Commander thanked everyone who helped with Band Camp. She still has a few spots left for minicamps and a few for football chaperones. Volunteer spot will be open soon for the Quaker Day Parade. We also will need volunteers for the Buick Drive event.

Lindsey Butrum thanked the ones who volunteered to be Supervisor's this fall. She split it into 3 seasons. Volleyball, Soccer and Football. In the fall we give the choral boosters time to work. Partly because we are very busy now. Then in the winter, the band booster parents can sign up. She is trying to be fair across the board. If there are last minute cancelations, she will open it up to the band boosters.

Extended Background Checks: Volunteers are the lifeblood of the organization but we need to have only people with the background check around the kids. We have an updated list. You must be on the list or you will be asked to leave the area. Protocol is you will not be allowed the hallway and into the band room. Same with community nights. Only parents with a background check will be allowed on the field and around the students. We have been asked by Mr. Seifert to do this and we will do it. There was some discussion as to why other groups aren't having to do this. It could be due to how ISSMA does things verses the school. Either way, we will follow the policy. To get the background check, go to our website and find the tab.

Fall Events: August 19, football, August 20, minicamp, August 27, minicamp, September 8, Alumni Community night, September 9, Homecoming, and September 10, Fishers Invitational. Troy is talking to Mr. Carpenter to get as many Alumni to show up Thursday, September 8, before the Fishers Invitational. It would be cool if we had a lot of people in the stands cheering the kids on before their first contest. September 17 is the Quaker Day Parade and the Buick Drive Event. He handed out fliers. If you put your name on these and people bring the flier, there will be a gift card drawing for whoever gets the most referrals. Driving only takes 15 minutes and you get to drive cool new cars! We need 500 drivers to get \$5000. September 23 is the Lucas Oil game and the 24 is the Avon Invitational.

Q&A: There was a question as to whether we can video tape the competitions. ISSMA has strict rules on that. If it is an ISSMA event, then no videotaping. Please do not share video's unless privately to family. It violates copy rights.

Contest days are long. We will feed the kids. They are not allowed to be in uniform while eating. Water drinking only while in uniform. At events, they might want concession money for when they are watching other bands. Sometimes cold and windy. Prepare your kids with blankets, coats etc. Prepare to come early. Parking is sometimes an issue. They also get expensive. There is a charge to get into each contest.

Paul Zoss needs some volunteers to help with the audit. It will only take an hour. Tara Shepard Long and Dana Teasley volunteered to help.

Meeting adjourned.