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Band Boosters Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 7:00 PM Eastern Time

1. Call to Order & Welcome 7:00
 - a. Officers Introductions: Brandon Bitner, director; Jill Knauss, committee chair; Danny Novak, committee chair; Steve Burns, treasurer; Sheila DeNazza, Member at Large; Vince DeNazza, Financial Secretary; Rachel Fraser, Vice President
2. Minutes
 - a. Last meeting Minutes review /posted to website - A motion was made by Jill Knauss and seconded by Steve Burns. All approved unanimously.
3. Directors Reports
 - a. ~~Band Director, Mr. Tate:~~
 - i. ~~Upcoming Concerts, Programs and Events~~
 - b. Directors New Business Band Director, Mr. Bitner:
 - i. Upcoming Concerts, Programs and Events
Jazz concert - Monday, Oct. 23rd.
Plans to reinstate Strawberry Square concert and Knoebels concerts
District Jazz and All State Jazz audition opportunities are currently available
Pit Orchestra audition opportunities are currently open for "Little Mermaid"
 - c. ~~Student Officers Report~~
 - d. ~~Student officer feedback on Widdy up?~~
 - e. ~~Directors New Business~~
4. Officers Reports
 - a. Treasurer's Report – Steve Burns - Shared and accepted. A motion was made by Jill Knauss and seconded by Jeff Stevens. All approved unanimously.
 - b. Financial Secretary Report - Vince DeNezza - Shared and accepted. A motion was made by Steve Burns and seconded by Jeff Stevens. All approved unanimously.
 - c. ~~Recording Secretary - Sandy Gates~~
5. General Business
 - a. Raise Right – Sandy Gates - Shared report; encouraged people to purchase cards when making purchases for the band (like at Home Depot to buy the columns/props stuff)
 - b. ~~Herco - Nikki Palakovie~~
 - c. Dine to Donate- Adrienne Burns

- d. Posters & photo merchandise- Lark
 - i. Marching Posters and Senior Banners picked up from the printer; Guard Posters and Senior Banners submitted in a second order.
 - ii. Additional Photo items ordering in progress
Shared report; hoping to have posters displayed at Band-o-RAMa
- e. Band-a-RAMa - Jill Knauss
Jill is finalizing a few details, but is pretty much ready to go! Asking directors to encourage volunteers and donations
- f. Calendar Raffle - Danny Novak
Tickets were distributed; additional tickets will be sold at BandaRAMa and the Jazz concert.
- ~~g. Senior Night- flowers- Amber Heshler.~~
- h. November/ December Fundraiser - If Widdy Up, then
 - i. Set goal amount to raise (\$10,000? \$15,000?)
 - ii. Set dates

It was determined that we need more information about Widdy up to before we commit. The band officers have not discussed the idea yet.

Discussed the dwindling amount of money in checking account.

Other suggestions were made: Reinstate the “pot-luck” style of food at the pool party to save money.

Periodically send out the Corporate Donations forms to ALL students. Push for corporate donations

Kathy Novak will run a “Double Good Popcorn Pop-up” sale in January in association with National Popcorn Day. Bags are \$9-\$12 per bag.

Reinstate selling ads for programs for BandaRAMa and IndooRAMa

Host a Jazz and Pasta night. Entertainment: CD jazz bands; serve dinner; silent auction

Questions about other jazz gigs

Other old business: Jill asked if we were still planning on Wreaths Across America. Kathy suggested that the band kids assist in placing the wreaths.

Find out about programs for Sr. Night. Make sure that the football boosters understand that we are NOT interested in purchasing programs for the senior families.

- 6. New Business
- 7. Next General meeting: November 7, 2023. 7:00 pm
Adjournment at 8:17