Band Booster Meeting Minutes: Nov 15, 2016
BHSN Bandroom, 6PM

The band booster meeting was called to order by president, Ray Foster. Members present included:
Officers: Ray Foster, Jay Showalter, Claire Tafoya, Jeannie Galbreath

Erin Woodley, Lisa Mann, Eric Cox, Liz Cox, Janis Stockhouse, Jill Minor, Rachel Wheeler, Andrea Wiley, Tom Wilson, Janis Cooper-Parker, Carol Austin

Treasurer's Report
Claire Tafoya, treasurer, passed out the most recent Profit and Loss Standards and the Balance Sheet Standards. No Questions were raised over these. Claire pointed out that spirit wear is done for the season and all bills are paid. A net profit of $1523.83 was earned in this area. The jazz concert on November 10th brought in $718 at the door. There is no final number on marching band as of yet due to all expenses not being in. Mr. Wilson estimated that there is about $4,000-$5,000 of outstanding expenses. When these are in and paid, the marching band should still come in under the amount budgeted for the year, $60,000. We are currently at $51,320.57

Uniforming
Mr. Wilson discussed the new uniforms that are hoped for in 2017. New uniforms will be ordered from the Fred J. Miller company. He would like to order them in January or February. Turn-around is approximately 180 days. The total approximate cost for new uniforms is 60K. With the passage of the recent referendum, Mr. Wilson is hopeful that MCCSC will kick in 10-20K towards that cost and is waiting to hear from Mr. Henderson on that official amount. It is estimated that with the district contribution, we will have to use about 40-50K from our uniform fund. This wouldn't tap out the account. There is a discount offered from the company for full payment, so we hope to be able to take advantage of that. Janis Cooper-Parker wondered how liquid our uniform fund is. Claire Tafoya is going to research this.

The old uniform company (Stanbury) has, in the past, made pillows from our old uniforms. The band then sold these pillows at a mark-up as a fund-raiser. Since we won't be ordering uniforms from Stanberry this time, it is doubtful they'll make pillows from our old uniforms. Jeannie Galbreath is going to look into other options in the local area that may be available for this. Lisa Mann will also be contacting a couple of business for this purpose.

The American Legion Breakfast
Jay Showalter reported on the recent (Nov 12) American Legion Breakfast fundraiser. 12 families sold tickets and earned a combined total of $830. Most students received about $60 for their band accounts. Jay isn't sure that the Legion will want to work with us again due to the low number of tickets sold, however he is going to check later to confirm whether we might be able to run this as a fundraiser again next year.

There was a student that participated in the event that requested that his monies as well as the rest of the monies in his band account be given to a needy student. Janis Cooper-Parker moved that these monies be put into the scholarship fund to be distributed at the discretion of the directors. This motion was seconded by Claire Tafoya and passed unanimously.

The End-of-Season Marching Band Celebration

Jeannie Galbreath reported on the preparation for the celebration supper being held on November 29th. The entire event must be held in the cafeteria this year due to scheduling conflicts for the auditorium. A mic, projector and screen will be available in the cafeteria for our use and we will make do in the space as need be. Monies have been collected for gifts and the invitation letter to families was sent out on the 15th.

The Publicity Video

Claire Tafoya reported that the marching band video made by Dhruv Shankar is posted on the band's youtube site. Thanks to Liz and Eric Cox for setting that site up. Dhruv will be working on the general band video over Thanksgiving break. It is hoped that it will be completed in time for junior high scheduling.

Bloomington Jazz Fest

Claire Tafoya and Andrea Wiley reported on the upcoming Bloomington Jazz Fest, to be held at Bloomington North on Dec 9 and 10th. Friday will run from 4P until about 11P and Saturday will run from 9A to 6P. Liz Cox will publicize the event on facebook.

A sign-up genius will go out after Thanksgiving to solicit for the many volunteers needed for this event. Erin Woodley has passed on a "save-the-date" to her IU students so some volunteers should be coming from this source also. Claire and Andrea mentioned that they would like to create an internal sign-up page for BHSN that could be passed on from year to year. Currently, sign-up genius pages can't be passed on from one user to another. This internal page would save re-creating a new page whenever a new person took over an event.

Jill Minor will be running concessions throughout the event but is looking for someone to be a full-time assistant for this. She would need help with shopping on Thursday evening and then help throughout the duration on Friday and Saturday. Lisa Mann offered to help with the shopping. Rachel Wheeler will talk to Kathy Stout about the possibility of Kathy taking on the position of Jill's right-hand man.

Directors' Report

- Ms. Stockhouse issued congratulations to Mr. Wilson on the success of the marching band at state. The marching Cougars tied for 5th place with Concord.
- The Cougar drum line won the drum line battle recently held in Indianapolis. As champions, they were given the opportunity to perform in Lucas Oil Stadium.
- Thanks were given to Claire Tafoya, Andrea Wiley and Erin Woodley for coordinating the volunteers at the recent and upcoming concerts.
- With passage of the MCCSC referendum in the recent election, news came that the proposal for beginning band in the 6th grade is being seriously entertained by those at central office. The directors will be working with the necessary administrators and staff to work out the details of the program. Stay tuned!

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on January 10th, 2017.

Respectfully submitted by,
Jeannie Galbreath
BHSN band secretary