

**Band Booster Meeting Minutes: Sept 8, 2015**  
**BHSN Jazz Room, 6PM**

The band booster meeting was called to order by president Erin Wager-Miller. Members present included:

**Officers:** Erin Wager-Miller, Ray Foster, Claire Tafoya, Jeannie Galbreath

Jay Showalter, Lisa Ensman, Janis Cooper Parker, Janis Stockhouse, Angie Covey, Lonnie Tomey, Amy Tomey, Susy Meacham

Items discussed included the following:

Presidents Report

Erin Wager-Miller reported on some decisions that had been made by the executive board since the August meeting.

- Color guard jackets are going to be considered a part of the guard uniforms. Some members already have jackets but those that don't will be ordering and paying for new ones on their own. Before this can be done, a "set up" of the graphics has to occur. This one-time cost is \$65.00. The board voted to take the monies for the set up from the general fund.
- Marchers that had coupons turned in at the recent mattress sale were given the option of applying coupon monies (\$25 per coupon) toward march-a-thon if they desired. A few marchers took advantage of this.
- The Mattress sale generated approximately \$4000.00 including the monies put toward individual marchers accounts. Approximately \$3250 earned from the sale will be distributed evenly among the marchers going on the LA trip, while \$750 went in to student accounts.

Treasurers Report

Copies of the August expenditures and income were distributed. Additionally copies of the budget showing comparisons over the past few years were shared. Claire Tafoya, treasurer, reminded all that at the summer meeting it had been decided to take the \$11,000 surplus from 2014/2015 and divide it with \$8,000 going into our mutual funds and the remainder being set aside for unforeseen expenses. Claire will be depositing monies this fall.

It was reported that Sharon Wailes will be heading the patron drive. That will be underway soon.

March-a-thon

Janis Cooper-Parker reported that March-a-thon has met and exceeded goal. The goal of \$19,000 had been set and \$19,577 was generated through the drive. She did note that this amount does not reflect the cost of using pay-pal for on-line donations.

Much thanks was expressed to Janis for her diligence, organization and huge energies that she put toward this successful fund-raiser!

### LA or Bust

Erin Wager-Miller reported on the status of the LA trip. She noted that the due date for signing up passed September first.

Erin reported that Doug Alexander and his wife, Eve, will be driving a trailer loaded with band equipment to LA. Doug had submitted a detailed list of anticipated expenses for the trip, totaling \$3450.00. Erin noted that this cost did not include cost for lodging in LA, nor monies for the time that would be spent on the project. Erin estimated that cost of hotel rooms in LA would be about \$300 for the two nights together. Adding that on to the estimate proposed by Doug would bring the total cost to \$3750.

After discussion it was decided to compensate Doug and Eve, at least somewhat, for their time and for lodging in LA. Janis Cooper Parker mentioned the \$4000 we had set aside this summer for unforeseen expenses, as hauling equipment for the trip had not been factored in to the overall cost of the trip. She suggested that these monies could be used to compensate the Alexanders. Further discussion regarding compensation for the Alexander's time took place. Janis Cooper-Parker motioned to pay the Alexanders an even \$5000.00 to cover the estimate given by the Alexanders, monies needed for hotel in LA and a compensation for their time. This was seconded by Lonnie Tomey and passed by a unanimous vote.

Questions regarding insurance coverage on the trailer and band equipment during the trip were raised. Janis Stockhouse will be investigating what our coverage is through the school corporation.

*Fundraising:* Erin Wager-Miller reported on possible upcoming fundraisers. It was decided to not go ahead with the pizza dinner at the American Legion due to the lack of advertising on the part of the legion as well as the timing of the event being on the first Saturday of fall break. Additional fundraising opportunities were discussed, however, the consensus was to end the LA fundraising at this point after looking at the monies that have been raised already and the time the band students would have to focus on it prior to the trip.

Final amounts owed on the trip per marcher will be available in November with the final payment being due on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Directors Report

Janis Stockhouse reported on the opportunity the Jazz one band is going to have this winter to play at a jazz educators convention in Louisville. Students will be providing their own transportation to the event and will be paying for their own rooms while there. Janis has arranged for two guest artists, Rachel and Sarah Caswell, to play with the band at the event. Monies are needed to pay the guest artists as well as for the program itself. She suggested \$1000.00 to come from the general fund to cover this. Jeannie Galbreath made the motion to accept this amount and Jay Showalter seconded. The motion passed.

### New Business

Janis Cooper-Parker brought up looking ahead to swing dance. In years past there has been a successful silent auction that has generated \$700 or more depending on the year. There was no auction last year due to the lack of someone heading it up. Janis would like to find someone to take this on for this year's event. Erin Wager-Miller will be highlighting this as one of the items in the "hot topics" newsletter.

Additionally, Janis Cooper-Parker noted the need for additional shelving in the room that houses swing dance items and instruments in need of repair. Shelving would greatly increase available space. Janis Stockhouse mentioned asking the people working on props to see if this might be a possibility. Lisa Ensman brought up the number of people who noted their ability to build things on their band lists sign-up. Lisa will compile those names and pass them on.

Lisa Ensman noted that the Cox's will be taking over the band web-site next year.

The overhaul of the constitution was tabled for a future meeting.

A date for the next booster meeting was not set. Ideas were brought up to have the booster meeting in conjunction with the final trip meeting which has yet to be set. It was also suggested to have the meeting at a time when help could be given for the patron drive. Once both of these are explored the next meeting will be set.

The meeting was adjourned by Erin Wager-Miller.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Jeannie Galbreath  
BHSN band secretary