

# Minutes for BHSN Band Booster Meeting—October 10, 2007

## **Attendance:**

**Boosters:** Becky Robbins, Becky Connor, Esther Smail, Marjorie DeBruyne, Judy Fulford, Jenny Shedd, Laura Hurley, Ewa Balewski, Gale Nichols, Susan Dybvig,

**Band Directors:** Janis Stockhouse and Daniel Freeman

## **Meeting Convened at 7:05 pm**

### **Agenda**

#### **September Minutes were distributed to attendees.**

VOTE: A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded. A vote was taken and was unanimously approved.

#### **Staffing and logistics for upcoming concerts**

There are three concerts scheduled for November. The Fall Jazz Concert is November 1 featuring all four jazz bands; the Fall Concert is November 14 featuring the Advanced Concert Band, Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band; and the Side by Side Concert on November 28 featuring the Symphonic Band and the Southern Indiana Wind Ensemble (SIWE). Both the jazz and concert band concerts will charge admission (\$5 adults/\$2 seniors and students); the Side by Side concert will be free.

Two to three parents will be needed to staff each shift of the concerts. It was suggested that the concert band parents could staff the Jazz concert and the jazz band parents could staff the Concert band concert. Call time is 6:30 pm for all the concerts. Parents who are helping should arrive by 6:25 pm. The concerts all start at 7:00 pm.

Susan Dybvig will e-mail Deb Rail to set up tables and e-mail North listserve person (Deb Shoup) about including information on the concerts in the daily announcement e-mails. Janis will contact WFIU, H-T, WFHB & Bloomington Area Arts Council for publicity. Bloom magazine should be considered for future stories/publicity.

Information and sign-ups should be made available at the concerts for grocery certificates, listserve sign-up, and Booster Dues payment. Last year's souvenir band yearbook will also be available for sale.

#### **Basketball Concessions**

The Band Boosters will have the opportunity to sell concessions at the January 4, 2008 North-South Basketball game. It was suggested that chips, candy, etc. should be available. These things will keep for the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble contests later in the month. Jenny Shedd will organize.

#### **Fundraising**

In addition to September 14 and 29, August 29 has been reserved at Deer Park as potential dates for next year's Jazz Under the Stars.

There was discussion on how to educate ALL band parents about the money needed to run the band program. There is a need to promote a major overview for parents about where their dues go and where funds that are raised in other efforts are used. We need to communicate how much it takes to effectively operate the band program, and where the money comes from and how the dues are applied. It would be nice to point to specific things that dues pay for such as the directory, the web site, instructors, etc. It might also help to have a handout that graphically depicts MCCSC funding and Band Boosters money, especially calling out what is paid for by the band (entry fees, transportation, etc.). Esther Smail and Susan Dybvig will work on this.

## **Directors Reports**

### **Janis Stockhouse and Dan Freeman**

Janis brought up the idea of doing an end of season celebration for Marching Band. The general consensus was in favor of that idea. The event will be Tuesday, November 20. This will be an opportunity to thank the staff, chaperones, pit-crew, etc. for all their hard work and dedication as well as honor the students, especially seniors, for their participation and achievements this year.

Ewa Balewski asked about where the uniforms will be stored this year. The uniform cabinet is dirty and needs to be cleaned before it can use. A message will be sent out for volunteers to clean the cabinet.

## **Other Business**

### **Restaurant Fundraisers**

Colorado Steakhouse has offered us 20% of their proceeds for a night that would go to the Band Boosters. The details were lacking (what night, what do people need to do to identify themselves before ordering dinner, etc.) There are other restaurants that also might consider a similar deal: Pizza Hut, Fazollis, Brucceto's, Avers, Applebees were all named. Laura Hurley will contact these restaurants and find out more details.

### **Thank you cards**

There are BHSN Band note cards that can be used for thank you cards. It was suggested that the best mechanism for sending the cards should come from the people who have had the most direct contact with the vendor/business/individual that needs thanked. Letters will be sent for tax purposes.

### **Regionals**

There will not be a send off for the regionals.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Band Booster meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7 at 7:00 pm in the Band room.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 pm**