

BHSN Band Room 7:30-8:30

Members Present Included:

Officers: Rachel Wheeler, Nathan Bean, Lisa Mann & Ryan Provines

John Sorsen, Caroline Johnson, Becky Provines, Valerie Birdsong, Sue Bauer, Katherine Cashman, Geoff Cashman, Stephen Westerfield, Eva Allen, Helen Rhee, Kathy Stout, Kathy Nesbitt, Michael Berin

Director's Report: Mr. Sorsen announced that weekly rehearsals have kicked off every Tuesday & Thursday from 6-9 and Most Saturdays from 9-5. First public performance @ Home football game is 8/23. Concert Band Trip planned (Details to come) and several Jazz Band festivals are planned as well (Details to come).

Treasurer's Report: Not much to report as we are only a couple of months into the season. We will have some steady income coming from the IUCU CD that will mature in September 2020. In addition, we will receive a fund statement from the Community Foundation of Bloomington/Monroe County this fall with updates to the Janis Stockhouse Endowment. This will continue to grow as gifts and contributions roll in. We reviewed the breakdown of each of the different bands at BHSN and where the funds raised are used. March A Thon is low (Approx. 6K so far), but traditionally we finish strong. If we don't raise enough funds now, we may consider a spring fundraiser. Last collection time for Marchers is Sat Morning and Nathan and Natalie Kubat will address the audience at the Parent Preview on Sat evening. We are committed to supporting this great program and open to creative and new ways of raising funds.

March A Thon: Continue to work on fundraising goal of \$21K Encourage your marchers to reach out using social media and other avenues to raise last minute funds.

Recap of Band Camp: Thanks to Drum Major Parents for supplying/organizing meals. All went smoothly. We have 101 Marchers and had 12 Staffers this year for Band Camp week. Andre Waymon is working to figure out cost per meal per person to help with budgeting for 2020 year. Working to develop Instructions/binder of instructions for each of the different volunteer opportunities (e.g. Uniforms, chaperones) so that we have something to pass down for upcoming members. Rookie camp went well, and the new marchers are starting to not stand out as much which is the goal! Student leaders are starting to really step up and lead their sections.

Rookie Band Parent Meeting: Well attended this year. Rachel and Lisa walked the attendees through basic expectations for marching band and overall BHSN band program. For 2020, encourage having a Rookie meeting sometime before the first Rookie Practice and perhaps follow up with a Q&A meeting during Band Camp week. Another thought is to have veteran marchers/alums and seasoned parents free to answer questions during instrument rental (last week of school) or pick-up.

Prep for Parent Pitch In/Preview: Becky Provines working to arrange BHSN cafeteria staff to set up and clean up for Parent preview. A Sign-Up Genius was sent out for beverage service and clean up help. Dinner starts around 5 for the marchers and 5:30 for the families. Rachel Wheeler to address crowd at 6

and introduce the different areas of volunteer opportunities. Volunteers still needed for both Clean Up and Drink Station for the parent pitch-in.

Preview kicks off around 6:30 with Mr. Wilson & Mr. Sorsen to address the Crowd. First 2 movements of the 2019 Season to be previewed.

Review the BHSN Band Code of Conduct so that all participants and parents are aware of expectations for the season. Only about 2/3 of the band have returned them so far. Several members still have not paid their registration fees for Marching Band yet.

Spirit Wear: Kim Mills leading this effort again this year. On line store from 1818 is up and running. Get your Spirit wear now! Parents show shirts and some additional items on display at the parent preview for purchase.

Open Positions:

***Fundraising Coordinator** – Searching for experienced and dedicated volunteer to help raise funds for the BHSN band program.

***Volunteer Coordinator** – Considering a position to manage the Parent/Guardian Volunteer Interests along with the Background check initiative.

****Meeting adjourned at 8:35 by Rachel Wheeler****

***Notes recorded and submitted by Ryan Provines, BHSN Band Booster Secretary.**