Band Booster Meeting, Feb 6, 2018 BHSN Jazz Room, 6 PM

Members present included:

Officers: Jay Showalter, Erin Smith, Nathan Bean, Jeannie Galbreath

Ms. Janis Stockhouse, Mr. Tom Wilson, Janis Cooper-Parker, Brenda Lommel, Arle Lommel, Adam Kozacek, Adrienne Kozacek, Andrea Wiley, Joy Main, Stephen Westerfield, Cynthia Hintz-Westerfield

The meeting was opened by President, Jay Showalter.

Treasurers Report

Nathan Bean, treasurer, distributed the most recent profit and loss report.

- The current number for the patron drive (\$9935.75) now includes the monies that were previously in the pay pal account.
- ISSMA monies are not in yet. It is expected we will earn about \$1100 for hosting the two Saturday events.
- A question was raised about moving money for marching band expenses from the start of the year to operating expenses.

ISSMA Recap

- The ISSMA events Jan 26th and Feb 3rd both went extremely well. Many compliments were received about the organization and care that went into planning the event. Special thanks were given to Brenda and Arle Lommel and their excellent work with concessions as well as to Erin Smith for her organization of the many volunteers needed.
- The Lommels reported that overall concession revenues will likely be around \$3229 after expenses. Next year they intend to have a point-of-sale system set up so that better tracking of sales can be done. They also reported that the satellite concession stand wasn't worth it. Over the two Saturdays approximately \$108 was generated. If the satellite location is done again next year, they proposed putting it closer to the performance rooms rather than in the entry where it was this year.
- Discussion was had about what to do with some of the concession left-overs. It was decided that these left-overs would be sold at band-o-rama on Mar 1st.

Marching Band Fees

There has been discussion over the past couple of years about raising marching band fees. It was agreed that this fee increase is necessary for the 2018 season given how the costs of putting the show on have been steadily increasing over the past few years. It was then proposed to raise fees for individual marchers to \$300. If a family has more than one marcher, fees for the second marcher will be \$275. Scholarship monies will still be available to those requiring assistance. Nathan Bean motioned to accept the fee increase. Adam Kozacek seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Fundraising

MARCHING BAND TRIP

Adrienne Kozacek reported on the latest in trip fundraising developments. A committee for this purpose has been formed. Within this committee it was decided that the following fundraising opportunities would be pursued:

- A restaurant benefit night one per month between now and October. Avers, Panera, Applebees, Buccetos, Buffalo Wild Wings, Texas Roadhouse, Orange Leaf and Mother Bears are all potentials. This is also an opportunity to push the sale of scrip cards for these establishments.
- A community yard sale. A date for this event is set for 7/21 with a rain date being 7/22. Booth space will be rented for \$20. Rental monies go to the fundraising. Those selling have the choice of keeping their monies, giving a portion to the band, or giving all to the band. Students will also man a booth for community members who wish to get rid of items but don't want the hassle of selling them. All funds generated here would go toward the band. A bake sale and concession stand will also be available at the event.
- Buick test drive event
- Urban Air Trampoline Park Benefit day perhaps one over spring break and one in the summer
- World Finest Chocolates: students would sell. 50% of the sales would go to the band
- Hosting a pancake breakfast
- Monroe County Fair Parking attendants
- Really promoting the mattress sale

Adrienne reported that 94 are signed up for the trip currently. 20 of those are parents. People are allowed to sign up into the fall.

MATTRESS SALE

Jay Showalter reported that the kick-off meeting for the mattress sale is 3/20 at 7P. Perhaps there will be a tie-in with a winter percussion performance to help draw people in to the event.

- The sale is to take place 4/21.
- If a marcher's name is mentioned when someone buys a mattress, the marcher will receive \$25 in their band accounts with no limit to the amount of monies the marcher can get through this method.
- This sale is likely our last chance with this organization. Pushing the sale is to be emphasized. This event is an easy one to run and has the potential for great pay off.

SWING DANCE

Janis Cooper-Parker, chair of swing dance, reported on the latest preparations for the 3/23 event.

- She proposed a 50/50 raffle to be held at swing dance. The winner would receive half of the cash in the pot. This could be an additional source of revenue to fund the advanced jazz band's trip to Savannah. Janis already has tickets we can use from a previous event. All were in favor of doing this. Prices for tickets were set at \$5 for a single ticket and 5 tickets can be purchased for \$20.
- Janis has flyers promoting the event to be distributed to businesses in the area. She requested that those present at the meeting take some and sign up for businesses they were going to take flyers to. She would like the flyers out about three weeks prior to the event. That would be in early March.
- A shout-out was given to Theresea Shipley for making the needed changes to the flyer and to the tickets. We're thankful for her expertise with publisher!
- Students will be selling tickets in advance. Adult tickets are \$20, students \$10 and a family price is \$50. Tickets will also be available at the door.
- Janis checked into renting a photo booth. The costs were such that we would need at least 60 individual uses of the booth to event off-set the cost of rental. She has decided instead that there will just be a back-drop so that students can take their own pictures.
- The March booster meeting will be a combination "talk"/work meeting to prep items for the dance.
- Andrea Wiley volunteered to send out the flyer electronically to the community calendar.

The Savannah Trip

We have generated over \$5000 on the youcaring site for the purposes of getting a bus to take advanced jazz to the Savannah Music fest. The link to the youcaring site will be put on the band's web-site as well as facebook page.

Officers and Committee Chairs for Next Year

Jay Showalter gave out a list of current committee chair and executive board positions. Currently the only spots needing to be filled for the 2018/2019 school year are Vice President, Marching Band Props and some understudies.

Director's Report

Ms Janis Stockhouse gave the Director's report.

- We were represented well at All-State in our bands as well as the North Orchestra. 9 from Bloomington North were chosen for the All-state band
- Our students did a great job at solo and ensemble competition. The entire event including performances, its organization, and its volunteers were a huge success
- Winter percussion, winter guard, the jazz and concert bands are well underway with their winter competitions
- Winter guard was forced to find a new rehearsal venue for the rest of the year. They will be finishing out the year rehearsing at University Elementary. Because of the size of this gym, the show has had to be re-worked. A new place for rehearsals in 2018/2019 will have to be found.
- o There will be 4 bands performing at Band-O-Rama on March 1st. There will be no charge for Tri North families to get in.
- Steve Westerfield was thanked for taking over the duties of the website. If anything needs to be posted, it should be sent to him.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, Mar. 6th at 6P

Respectfully Submitted by Jeannie Galbreath, BHSN Band Booster Secretary