Tuesday Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## BHSN Band Room 7:30-8:10

## Members Present Included:

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

John Sorsen, John & Kristin Poage, Caroline Johnson, Wendy Tamborrino, Eva Allen, Kim Mills, Ann Ames, Jack Ketchem, Katherine & Geoffrey Cashman, Kathy Stout, Kelly Carnahan, Tracy Turner & Debra Ochs

**Director's Report:** Marching band competition season kicks off Saturday, Sept 21<sup>st</sup>. North continues to have a balanced music program for kids. Band students have options to participate in what they are interested in. You don't have to do Marching Band in order to be considered for a different group like other schools. Mr. Sorsen & Mr. Wilson are very excited about how the year is shaping up!

**Financials:** Our investment, uniform, and trailer accounts continue to grow. We are currently in the black, which is a positive. The Marching Band dues are nearly all collected (8 left to collect). Spirit Wear money is starting to roll in and Show Shirts have been paid for. We are approx. \$1,300 away from our March-A-Thon goal. MAT continues to be a good fundraiser and we had good participation this year from most student marchers this year.

**March-A-Thon Update:** We came very close to meeting our lofty goal of \$21,000-the same goal as last year, but with several less marchers this year. Natalie Kubat is reviewing this year's fundraiser and is already brainstorming changes for next year. A pizza party for March-A-Thon Winners (The Battery) is in the works. The new Fundraising Chair will not oversee March-A-Thon.

Volunteer Check (Pit Crew, Props, Chaperones, Uniforms, & Chow): John Poage is still looking for 2-3 additional volunteers to help with Pit Crew. Bus Chaperones are well covered and Props are under control. We are still looking for someone who can shadow Lisa Mann to take over the Chow Wagon for next year. Kathy Stout also has enough volunteers with uniforms. Rob Chatlos is volunteering to drive the trailer again for the marching band season this year. Per Rob, we do not need to have the trailer inspected (per the ISP) because this particular municipal vehicle is exempt. Mr. Wilson is working to get some magnets for the truck to help better identify him as a part of the BHSN Band. John Poage is considering ways to alter the large band trailer to better suit our needs. Joel Mills is driving the Prop Trailer again this year. Don Johnson is driving the Chow Trailer again this year; during the inspection this week they replaced the battery.

**Spirit Wear Update:** Kim Mills reports the orders from 1818 are in and she will distribute them before Thursday's practice. Kim was happy with both the numbers of orders (43) and the experience of working with 1818. About 40% of the marching band place an online order with 1818. She reports Show Shirts & sweatshirts are still available for purchase by families looking to support their marchers in the stands. Prices are: \$15 for short sleeve, \$20 for Long Sleeve, \$25 for Crew and \$30 for Sweatshirts. Kim also reported she placed the decal order and noted sales were not as high as last year.

**Fundraising Position:** We plan to have dedicated Fundraising chairperson. Rachel Wheeler has reached out to one individual who has expressed interest. We should know by the next meeting if that position has been filled.

**Parton Drive (October):** Dianne Parrish has been contacted by Rachel Wheeler to learn more about the Patron Drive from 2018 to ensure accuracy with mailing labels for this year. We are possibly stuffing envelopes for the 2019 patron drive during the October Band Booster meeting.

\*\*Meeting adjourned at 8:10 by Rachel Wheeler\*\*

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