

HASTINGS BAND BOOSTERS

MEETING MINUTES

April 5, 2011

Attendees: Niecy Brockman, Cynthia Rico, Heidi Bohlken, Terri Ventry, Tim Gerold., Lisa Poncelet., Connie Kolodziej, Rick Hardy, Emily Chandler, Jim Jacobsen, Duane Oldham

Approval of March Minutes: Yes, with one correction. Solo and Ensembles run from 3:30pm – 7:30pm.

Treasurers Report: \$4,445.36 balance. \$300 was paid for the guest artist for High School Jazz Night. \$16.38 in income after expenses from free-will donations for cookies, lemonade, etc., at the All District Concert.

Band Directors Reports:

Emily Chandler – Still trying to get students to turn in registrations for Marching Band. Drumline and Color Guard started the end of February. Color Guard is up to 13 from eight last year. Drumline is at 15-17 which is about the same as last year.

Duane Oldham – Later under New Business

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Old business:

Jazz Night – Concert in Commons at 7:00pm on April 14, 2011. Coffee and lemonade will be served at no charge. Schoolhouse Scoop will serve ice cream cones and cups, \$2 for one scoop, \$3 for two scoops. Volunteers will be needed to help reset the Commons, and four people will be needed to collect the \$4 admission fee.

Hi Note Fundraising – Thirty local merchants are in the fundraising book. Books will sell for \$30. Need to revisit financials – Connie K., Neicy B., and Heidi B. need to meet and discuss – i.e., how much goes to Band Boosters, how much to students, what happens with free books from 100% down payment.

Gerten's – Thirty-eight orders have been turned in, with a high amount of approximately \$4000. Need help on delivery day, May 19. 8am start. Most help needed in the morning. Super large orders may be dropped at houses.

Solo & Ensemble – Tuesday, April 12, 2011. Schedule is posted. Need 2-3 volunteers to confirm the judge's scores and post.

New Small Trailer – Cost is \$1901.18 including tax and license. There is \$648 in the Band Boosters budget for the trailer. Old trailer will be posted for sale on the school district web site. Sealed bids will be left at the high school office.

Band Program Donations – Premiere Bank is looking into rules around setting up an account. We will find out if paperwork needs to be signed to do this with Premiere Bank.

Succession Planning – Discussion ensued around succession planning for Band Boosters board members and whether or not the organization should look into becoming a 501.C.3 non-profit. Parents of members would not be on the board. Doing this might help separate the purse strings from emotions. By-laws may need to be rewritten. We can continue on as we are if we choose. No decision made.

New Business:

Emily Chandler made a request for a scholarship for one student. Was advised that two \$100 scholarships, for Marching Band fee only, are in the budget for each year and are allowed to carry over. One \$100 scholarship has been carried over from last year.

Duane Oldham reported that there is a Middle School Band Fest on May 7, 2011, in Austin, MN. Seven 6th grade students (2nd year) have been nominated to participate. The 6th grade band will participate in multi-school festival on Friday, May 20, 2011, in Robbinsdale. Eight bands are participating in this. The band will play five songs and work with clinicians. The fee for busing is \$5; meals are on your own or brown bag.

Jim Jacobsen announced that the University of Minnesota Symphonic Band and University Band will perform a concert with the Hastings High School Wind Ensemble on Tuesday, May 3, 2011, in the PAC. This is a FREE concert. Mr. Jacobsen requested help with a pot-luck meal for all of the musicians. Discussion ensued. Students will be asked to bring different dishes based on the first initial in their last name.

The final concert for the High School bands will be at 7:00pm on Thursday, May 12, 2011. Awards will be presented and/or announced at this concert.

Pie in the Park – Connie Kolodziej is looking for a co-chair. Our date is August 28, 2011.

Marching Band will perform at the Minnesota State Fair on Saturday, August 27, 2011.

The sticker for the license plate of the large trailer has been secured.

Band Boosters has budgeted \$500 for the three accompanists for the Solo & Ensemble performances. Students do not have to pay this year, but policy will change next year.

Next meeting:

Thursday, May 5, 2011, at 7:00pm