

Hastings Band Boosters
Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2012

Present: Connie Kolodziej, Duane Oldham, Niecy Brockman, Rick Hardy, Heidi Bohlken, Cindy Rico, Emily Chandler, and Terri Ventry.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 by President Connie.

Secretary's Report: The November minutes were approved as submitted, with a motion to accept made by Duane and seconded by Rick.

Treasurer's Report: Balance is \$18,716.01 with another \$1,200 to be deposited from Cub bagging. The Cub bagging raised \$6,336 with 10% of that remaining with the boosters and about \$5,700 to the kid's accounts. The Gerten's bill is due as well. The ending balance will be about \$12,400.

It's time to order new checks. The bank requires a single signer but there are 2 people on the account. The new checks will say Hastings Band Boosters, Hastings, MN and not have a specific address on the check.

Old Business:

Emily:

1. High school students will be at the middle school on January 23 to talk to band students about marching band.
2. She has updated the scholarship form so it can request money and request delayed payments.
3. A donation for over \$1,000 was made by Kathy Wagner, her co-workers, and Thomson Reuters to marching band. Emily will send thank you notes to those individuals.

Duane:

1. The MMEA middle school band festival will be held at the middle school on Friday, April 20. We are hosting and have received \$700 from MMEA for costs. Duane will be asking for volunteers to help monitor the students in the middle school gyms.
2. Another MMEA middle school band festival will be held on Friday, May 4 in Edina. We will require 4 buses to transport students. He is seeking a grant of \$400 to cover this cost. The students will be stopping at different restaurants for lunch.
3. Pep band meals: Heidi made a motion and Connie seconded it to allow Boosters to contribute \$100 to cover the cost of dinner for pep band. Motion passed.

Jim:

1. We are finalizing the tour jacket design and will be seeking donations to cover the cost of approximately \$20 each for 49 individuals. Boosters voted to not make a donation for this.
2. We are finalizing the specific instruments needed to rent in Europe and are getting a price from the tour company. Heidi brought up that there may be money available in the band accounts from students who have graduated. We also may be able to contact local music stores to see if they have any European contacts.
3. The final cost of the trip should be announced in a few weeks as the fuel surcharge is not finalized. The last trip payment is due February 15.
4. Jim would like to invite Dr. Tim Mahr from St. Olaf to work with Wind Ensemble. He has written a piece of music that they are playing. Rick made a motion and Duane seconded it to allow Boosters to spend \$40 for this.

Poinsetta distribution was held in the shop area of the high school and went very smoothly. It was a smaller order this year and there was plenty of room. Sunday morning seemed to be a good time.

Hi note fundraising book. There are still 4 books left and can be purchased for cost. Connie contacted Jim Olean to ask if it would be easy to change the book cover to be more generic for next year. We would open the sale to other groups that are fundraising, but Boosters would still make the order and run the sale. Jim said it would be easy to update and we should allow 60 to 90 days to get the book produced. We sold 292 books last spring and

summer. Duane will contact orchestra and other groups to see if they would be interested in participating, and will contact Mr. Johnson to seek his opinion about offering it to other groups.

No update was available on motivational speaker Dr. Tim.

We discussed other potential fundraisers: a marching band silent auction, a chili cook-off, a bingo night with \$35 to get in with donated prizes, and a spaghetti dinner.

The Achieving Dreams concessions fundraising was discussed. Terri reported that registration opens in February and training will be held in February and March. See www.AchievingDreamsMN.org for details.

New Business:

Pep band will not be going to a Timberwolves game because the dates didn't work out with their shortened season.

Emily reported that Channel 5's Sports Wrap is always looking for bands to play on Friday nights at 10:30 on live TV, but will take a limited number of kids. Also the Minnesota Swarm may be looking for pep bands too.

The next meeting will be held on February 9 at 7 pm in the band room.

A motion to adjourn was made by Duane and seconded by Niecy. Motion carried.

Submitted by Terri Ventry, Secretary