

Hastings Band Boosters

Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by President Connie Kolodziej.

Attendees: Rick Hardy, Connie Kolodziej, Diane Gibson, Heidi Bohlken, Niecy Brockman, Duane Oldham, Jim Jacobson, Terri Ventry and Mike Ventry.

A motion was made by Niecy, seconded by Diane, to approve the May minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: There is a balance of \$11,651.76. We need to deposit money from the Gertens mum sale and Hi-Note book sales into student accounts. The flamingo fundraiser made \$77.75. There was a \$270 donation from Michael Farber. Connie will send a thank you note.

We spent \$200 on marching band scholarships this year. Duane will check on the status of the drum stand reimbursement plan.

Discussion was held about donations and whether there should be something on the website. Since the boosters don't have non-profit status and the ability to accept tax deductible donations, it was decided to leave this part to the school district. Duane will investigate the procedure for accepting donations on behalf of the district. Premier Bank will accept donations and deposit any money into the booster account, but they cannot be deductible.

Band Director Reports:

Jim Jacobsen: The year is off to a good start. Numbers are up in almost every group.

Duane Oldham: Emily has secured a Hastings Foundation Grant to hold a clinic with 4 ensembles (brass, sax, percussion and woodwind) to play and have clinics for all band students.

Old Business:

Hi-Note Fundraising Book: We have broken even so far. There are 41 books left. There are 34 out at the radio station and AA Auto Tech. We'll try to sell at the September 13 open house if allowed. We'll wait until after the November meeting to decide when to offer a discount price.

Pie in the Park: There was a polka band on our night and we raised \$528.70. Thanks to Suzy and all the volunteers who helped out.

New Business:

Fund request from the high school: \$1,586.13 is owed to Hastings Bus Company for transportation. Last school year's transportation budget was overspent and the June parades to Rochester and Lake City that marching band needed transportation to attend are not covered. Much discussion was held on how this happened and what can be done to avoid this problem in the future, including raising band fees. The directors will help to make sure a procedure is in place to make this happen. A motion was made by Rick, seconded by Mike, to give \$1,586.13 to the school district to cover this bill.

Leadership training seminar with Dr. Tim will be held on October 9 from 4:30 to 7. We'd like to get 20 kids to attend. A proposal was made for boosters to donate \$10 per child to a maximum of \$200 to offset costs. A motion was made by Niecy and seconded by Rick. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on November 1, 2012 at 7 pm in the band room.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rick, seconded by Mike. Motion carried.

Submitted by Terri Ventry, Secretary