

Hastings Band Boosters

Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Connie Kolodziej.

Attendees: Rick Hardy, Connie Kolodziej, Mary McAlpin, Duane Oldham, Jim Jacobson, Terri Ventry, and Emily Chandler.

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

Treasurer's Report: There is a balance of \$19,229.91. There are no outstanding bills at this time. The operating budget for 2014-15 will be \$2,800, the same as last year.

Band Director Reports: School year is off to a good start, all dates are on the website, and the calendar is out. We're looking forward to an exciting year. There are 84 students in concert band this year. There are concerts in October and November. Marching band has lots of volunteer parents – so many that they've had to make a list of assignments.

Old Business:

Review of by-laws – copies were handed out to allow everyone time to review until the next meeting. Rick will compile a list of thoughts and send to the executive committee by the end of October.

Election of officers – the same people will serve this year. Rick and Mary will approach some band parents to volunteer.

Ford fundraiser will be held October 14 at Hastings Ford for the benefit of choir

New Business:

Jim has hired the Cooper Street Brass Quintet for \$2,500 for 3 rehearsals and to perform at the concert on October 23 at 7 pm. The high school bands and community band will also perform. Ticket prices will be \$6, with \$5 for seniors and children 6-10, and younger children free of charge. We discussed having an intermission with cookies since there are 4 bands performing. Mary will follow up with this. The district allows the proceeds from one concert per year to be retained by the music program. Jim is soliciting advertising for the program from music stores and has set up an on-line crowd funding site to help raise the rest. A motion was made by Mary, seconded by Rick, to donate \$300 if enough is not raised through other means. Motion carried.

Fundraisers:

Cub bagging will be held December 19, 21, 22, 23, and 24. They would like musicians to perform in the store again. We need to find a chair person for this activity. Connie will investigate setting up a sign-up genius for this.

Gerten's spring flower sale will be held on the same dates as last year. We also need a chair for this. Next year, band will have the opportunity to sell fall mums and poinsettias.

Ford Drive for your school is for choir this year, but will be for band next year. We also will need a chair for this event.

Pies in the Park – We had a really good event in August and will need a chair person for next year.

Other ideas: Culvers, Chipotle, holiday craft fair, prom dress sale, idea of having kids play at events for donations, and accepting donations. Marching band has been offered the meat raffle for November and April at Dugarell's. Other ideas will need to be proposed so that the boosters can continue the mission of supporting the band program.

The next meeting will be held on November 3, 2013 at 7 pm in the band room.

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

Submitted by Terri Ventry, Secretary