

January 11, 2007 Minutes of the Band Booster Meeting

With about 15 adults in attendance, Tommie Farley, President, called the meeting to order and went over the ground rules.

1. Minutes from the November 2006 booster meeting were read and passed without any corrections.
2. Budget/Financial Statement – Vanessa Stewart, Treasurer, presented the current financial report. There is still \$2,925 in outstanding marching band fees! Report passed without corrections. The band purchased portraits for Dallas Rhyne's family in lieu of flowers following the death of his father in December.
3. Committee Reports:
 - A. Chaperones – Middle and High school bands will need 2 chaperones each in March for contests.
 - B. Contest/Competition – No report.
 - C. Guard/Winter – January 19th in Middle School Gym, parent and guest preview of Winter guard and drumline show.
 - D. Hospitality – Mr. Faires is requesting a Director's breakfast (continental type with muffins and fruit) and afternoon concessions for All County Band we're hosting again on February 9-10, 2007.
 - E. Pit Crew – Looking for a Gator with a bed at a good price since we're not sure that one will be loaned to us this fall marching season. We now have a marked, designated parking place for our trailer.
 - F. Transportation – Still need drivers to get CDL.
 - G. Uniforms – Ordering is on hold for now.
 - H. Way and Means – Cookie Dough/Pizza fundraiser supposed to kick off on February 1st. Discussed possibility of high school band students a percentage of profits to go toward band fees. 50% of the band's profit was voted to go toward individual band fees.
 - I. Web site – Still working to link to school. Link to band portraits is on the site.
 - J. Volunteers – No report.
4. New Business:
 - A. Miss Porter Ridge – No date yet but it will be in the spring. We have not had official word that we're to be involved but are planning just in case.
Committees are needed as follows:
Stage moms – 2 moms
Dressing Room – 1 mom
Programs – talking to Valarie Ross
Ticket Sales – 2 people
Flowers – 4 people
Lights, sound and stagehands – 4 people
Pictures – talking to Ron Williams
Trophy sponsors and prizes – Tommie will do but wants some help

Every practice – 2 parents

Stage decorations

B. Pirate Cove Classic – Need to get a chairperson and committees together to get started now for sponsors! Deborah Luna will work on a letter/brochure with sponsorship levels.

Programs – Tommie will ask Valarie Ross to head this up again.

C. Winter Guard – Darrin Morrow asks that the band boosters contribute \$1000 for winter guard travel expenses. Winter Guard has purchased a mat and rifles that will also be used for marching shows. Winter guard has had a candy sale, car wash and will also participate in the Cookie Dough/Pizza sale. Boosters voted to give \$1000 for winter guard travel expenses.

5. Director's Comments –

Some of our students made All District Band. There were 1600 auditions for 270 spots.

Middles School contest is at Central Academy in March. High School contest is at North Lincoln High School on March 27th. Going on a more difficult grade 4 than last year. The band is doing well with the sight-reading in class.

January 12th is the start date for Eric Howell, a student teacher from Wingate who will be working with both the middle and high school bands until May. May have him conduct some at the May concert.

Mr. Faires asked students who will definitely be back in band next year. Will have 49 horns and 9 percussion. Including the maybes, would have 64 horns and 12 percussion. Need definite numbers by July 1st so that the marching drill is written for the correct number of marchers.

Received a bill from the marching shoe guy. \$242 is owed to him for marching shoes that were ordered but not paid for in August. Much discussion about this and it is determined that the band boosters are not responsible for this. Shoes are each individual students responsibility and NOT part of the band fees!

Will begin collecting band fees for the 2007 marching season in installments beginning in March.

6. Liaison's Comments - Liaison not present.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm.