

Holly Springs High School Band Boosters General Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2010

In Attendance: Laura Vanden Heuvel, John Pridgen, Amy Carroll, Elana Murray, Hilary Smith, Joyce Bubar, Margie Dew, Charlie Brown, Sandy Mueller, Brenda Ash, Garrett Nigg, Len Shilling, Kelli Jo Schneider, David Miller, Pam Bardy, Michael Biasi

The minutes were approved as written—moved by Charlie Dew and seconded by Lenny Shilling.

Recent Events

Winter guard and percussion are practicing and competing. Their scores are increasing with each performance, and we are proud of their hard work. The next competition is on March 20th at Green Hope. Grant Credle and Anson Carroll both made the All State Band. They will perform at the end of April.

Upcoming Events (add from agenda)

- March 24-26 is Festival/Music Performance Assessment—Students will volunteer to help guide visiting bands. Parents are needed during the day to fill four shifts—morning, afternoon, late afternoon and evening. Wednesday night is the latest night. Friday is a short day. Volunteers are needed for transportation and food.
- Winter Percussion/Guard Championships
- April 8-11—Band trip
- April 12th—Booster meeting with elections and budget finalization (may be mandatory)
- April 30-May 2—All State Band
- May 8th—Pancake breakfast
- May 10th—Band Booster meeting
- May 17th—Band Banquet
- May 24th—Spring concert
- June 7th—New band member/parent meeting

Band Trip

As of today, there are 2 male chaperones confirmed. The cost for chaperones is \$345. Saturday evening there will be dinner at a restaurant after the Phantom performance. Departure will be Thursday evening. There will be a rules meeting for parents. There will also be a luggage inspection ahead of time. The band performance will be on Friday afternoon at Potomac Falls High School. That will be complete on Friday. Saturday will be a “fun day”—aquarium, Phantom, touring. The return trip will be on Saturday night into Sunday morning. Forms will be due before the trip: permission slip, notarized medical form, signed rules and regulations.

Fund-Raising

There will be a pancake breakfast on May 8th. Elana Murray asked for volunteers and for people to sell tickets. The tickets are \$7 a piece. Students will greet, serve and bus tables. Applebee’s provides a manager and a cook. Tickets will be sold, and students will turn in all their money in an envelope. Tickets will be sold at the concert.

There will be a raffle at the May concert. It will be for an Around Holly Springs basket that will be approximately a \$200 value.

The letters and forms for corporate sponsorship are ready. Boosters who have business contacts are encouraged to approach businesses about sponsorship. The form that shows who generated the sponsorship should be included with payment. That form **MUST** be included for your child’s account to be credited. The form can be printed from the website. Sponsors will have their information put on t-shirts and the truck.

There will be a possible fundraiser at the last concert. Brian Bubar has recorded the concerts, and it will be combined with the end of year slide show. Presale orders would be taken for these DVDs at the cost of \$10. After some discussion, this may not be possible because of copyright laws. We might be able to do it for a donation. The executive board will investigate further because of overall positive response.

Financial Report

John Pridgen gave the treasurers report. He corrected one footnote on the report. John reported that we have reduced the deficit in accounts payable to \$7000. We are short about \$5000 in fund-raising. It is important to start the summer with as much money available as possible. There is still about \$10,000 to be paid out for winter guard and percussion. The other part of the balance is actually in student accounts. The goal would be to have \$6,000-\$7,000 in the account going in to summer. The report was approved in a motion by Sandy Mueller and seconded by Brenda Ash.

John and Mr. Biasi are working on next year's budget. The budget will be voted on in the April meeting. One of the items to be voted on will be a fund-raising buyout. The costs will be broken down per student for costs in addition to Fair Share. The shortfall for non-paying students must be paid, and that is usually accomplished with fund-raising. The Fair Share will be reassessed as part of the budget process. In addition, there is a need for fund-raising. The fund-raising buyout would be for the general fund and would keep parents from the necessity of fund-raising. Some hourly/labor fund-raising will be added to the retail fundraisers. There were concerns raised about staffing the fund-raising events if many parents choose the buyout. Mr. Biasi said that some schools are not doing retail sales at all but invest in labor fund-raising. RBC also has many rules for those working in booths. The question was raised about how much money is raised in a booth. Much discussion followed.

Elections

Mike Brown has accepted the nomination for treasurer. Kathy Fishel is accepting the nomination for secretary. President, 1st VP and 2nd VP are open. We are asking for people to fill these positions. Please look at the bylaws for official job descriptions. Co-chairs are acceptable for positions. A motion was made by Elana Murray and seconded by John Pridgen to accept Kathy and Mike for their positions. Lenny Shilling moved to table the rest of the elections until the April meeting, and the motion was seconded by Brenda Ash.

Bylaws

There will be an email sent with the bylaws and proposed changes highlighted. Please read it, prepare questions and be ready to vote on amendments next month.

Scheduling

Mr. Biasi explained scheduling difficulties. Wind Ensemble is a restricted class. Mr. Biasi must do recommendations. Students who are currently in wind ensemble are already recommended and should have it in SPAN. AP Music Theory is also a course that requires recommendation. Concert band students will see "Band II" on their SPAN account. If there are any questions, please email Mr. Biasi. Marching percussion is also a restricted class that requires a recommendation.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Carroll