

# Clare Band Boosters Meeting

## October 8, 2018

Present: Jenni Krause, Tomi Parsons, Sam Joseph, Jen Campbell, Emmy Krueger, Pebbles Adsit, Sharon Middleton, Shari Lowe, and Band Director, Jason Lowe

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Jenni.

### **Secretary's Report**

Shari had emailed the minutes from the September 2018 meeting to everyone in attendance. **Motion was made by Tomi and seconded by Jenni to approve the minutes from September 11, 2018. All approved. Motion passed. Accepted the report to the School Board.**

### **Treasurer's Report**

Jen stated that the expenses for September were \$450 which included the cost of the three clinicians from the PMB Showcase. Income from that event was \$921, with a net profit of \$471. The balance in the checking account as of today is \$16,976.25 and in the savings account is \$48.24. Jen will call Cops and Doughnuts about cashing their check from Notes of New Orleans.

### **President's Report**

Jenni will report in Old and New Business.

### **Director's Report**

Jason will need a check for the registration for Solo and Ensemble Festival. Middle School Solo and Ensemble Festival is on Saturday, 12/1. There are four events in 8th grade and three events in 7th grade that are scheduled to attend. We had only two events last year. District All-Star Band audition music will be given to everyone as warm-up material. If any student wants to audition, they can record it in the band room. That event is in Alpena on 1/18-1/19. CMU Instrumental Workshop is on 11/16. Boosters covered part of the cost last year. It costs \$25 per student. Lunch usually runs about \$10 per student. **Motion was made by Jenni and seconded by Shari to approve covering the cost of lunch at around \$10 per student. All approved. Motion passed.** The Fall concert is 3 weeks from today, Monday, 10/29. Middle School and Jazz Bands will perform. Winter concert is on Sunday, 12/9. Jason suggested having refreshments at that concert. Jason would like to do one off-site concert next year, possibly renting Plachta Auditorium. We could sell tickets to cover the cost. This would hopefully start the discussion of building an auditorium in Clare. Discussed having it here instead of off-site, but in the parking lot, or field, or in the MS auditorium where all of the students probably would not fit on the stage. Jason would like to start a dialogue with various

coaches and the superintendent about building a new, bigger gym and renovate the existing gym into an auditorium. Jason has a MSBOA state meeting on Friday, 11/2. If the football team makes it into the playoffs, the band will need chaperones to help with that game.

### **Old Business**

#### 1. 2018 District 9 Marching Band Showcase

Jason said it went really well for the first time out. He received positive feedback from the bands. Next year suggestions are that we need a program and we will be using our own cash boxes and seed money. We will keep the same price for the event (\$3 per person, \$10 per family). Jason had some technical difficulties with the recording of the clinicians' comments. He has interest in having other bands join us next year. We did a good job of keeping the bands on schedule. We need to do a better job of letting Clare families know that they need to pay to attend this event. It was great to see the bands cheering each other on.

#### 2. CMU Small Ensembles Performances

Jason has a slide in the announcements and will have a sign up sheet for students to gauge their interest. Shari will send out an email to families about this and post information about it on Facebook.

#### 3. Charitable Donation Form

Shari is still working on developing this form. Hopefully, it will be ready at the next meeting.

### **New Business**

#### 1. Middle School Polo Shirts

Jason distributed a form for 6th and 7th grade students to order a gray polo shirt with the embroidered Clare Bands logo on it. The student will pay \$10 and last year the Boosters covered the extra \$5 for the shirt. **Motion was made by Tomi and seconded by Emmy to pay the extra \$5 cost per student for these uniform shirts, in perpetuity. All approved. Motion passed.**

#### 2. Cheesecake Fundraiser

Tomi dropped off the packets to Jason. There are 150 packets. We need about 40 more. Suggested the students take one packet per family. Dates of the sale are 10/11-10/29. Tomi will be at the concert finishing the orders and collecting money. We could have the Square credit card reader there as well.

#### 3. PMB Appreciation on 10/24

The crossover to concert uniforms will happen this night during rehearsal time of 6:30-8:00 pm. **Motion was made by Tomi and seconded by Pebbles to charge \$5 per tuxedo shirt if a student needs one that has been gently**

**used and is available from our uniform closet. No charge will be made if a student brings a usable tuxedo shirt to donate and then takes a used one. All approved. Motion passed.** Jenni will take care of the pizza order. For Homecoming, we ordered 20 pizzas, 10 cheese and 10 pepperoni. We also had 12 oz bottles of Gatorade that were donated for the parade. There were no complaints and there were no leftovers. A movie will also be shown. Suggestions were "Solo" or "The Greatest Showman."

4. CMU Instrumental Workshop on 11/16  
Discussed in the Director's Report.

5. Other

Sam suggested creating a wish list of what the band needs and advertise it.

**Round Table**

Jenni suggested that the drum major podium is for the drum major. Discussed having the flags sit on the bottom row of seats so that there is no congestion in the aisle way. Kayla's drum major pants are ill-fitting. Jen will help hem the pants. Sharon will help pick up more snacks for the game this week. Sam has an idea to create a network of Band Boosters to link the various boosters in our MSBOA district to help with fundraiser ideas, technology, etc. Shari said that it was great to see Kayla and Karis wearing their marching band shoes during the HoCo halftime with their pretty dresses! Jason said the next two PMB rehearsals will be from 6:30 and end at 8:00 pm. Jason is looking for ideas for a Veterans Day speaker. Jenni also suggested purchasing sousaphone covers with the Clare Bands logo. Jason quickly researched the price. **Motion was made by Jenni and seconded by Tomi to purchase four sousaphone covers at the cost around \$50 each. All approved. Motion passed.**

**Next Meeting**

**Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 12 at 7 pm.**

Information can always be found on the website: [cpsbands.weebly.com](http://cpsbands.weebly.com) or like the Clare Bands page on Facebook.

**Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Tomi and seconded by Jenni at 8:16 pm. All approved. Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Shari Lowe  
Booster Secretary