

# Clare Band Boosters Meeting

## December 10, 2018

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

Meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm by Tomi.

### **Secretary's Report**

Shari had emailed the minutes from the November 2018 meeting to everyone in attendance. **Motion was made by Tomi and seconded by Jen to approve the minutes from November 12, 2018. All approved. Motion passed.** Discussed and accepted the report to the School Board.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Jen stated that the revenue for November was \$215 which includes late money from cheesecakes and a tux shirt. Expenses for November were \$14,359.20 which includes the check for the cheesecakes, flowers for Devin's mom, \$50 gift card, food expenses, Solo & Ensemble, MS Polo shirts, repair to the string bass, and extra high school concert uniforms. The balance in the checking account as of today is \$20,837.45. The savings account balance is \$48.24.

### **President's Report**

Jenni was not in attendance.

### **Director's Report**

Jason was glad he acknowledged where the Booster money is spent at the concert. Booster money is utilized for all band students. The Holiday Concert went really well. He heard a lot of positive feedback. Sixth grade parents were happy that their students saw the HS band and are motivated to stay in band. The group responded to Jason and said they all thought it was great. Sam and Jason discussed microphone issues with recording. He has a lot of middle school and high school students that are interested in auditioning for All-Star Band.

### **Old Business**

#### 1. Cheesecake Fundraiser

Shared and discussed the form for the fundraiser chairperson for next year. Suggestions were added, such as creating a list of who participated and having them check it off when their order is picked up. Discussed problems with orders and late/no pick ups. There was feedback that there were teachers that were never asked to order one. Suggested that a blank order form and money envelope will be placed in the teacher's lounge at each of the three schools next year.

## 2. Thank you to Joe Walters

We picked up the gift card for Joe and Jason wrote him a thank you note for all of his help being the PMB announcer.

## 3. Spirit Wear

We will get an order out in late January with delivery in late February. Discussed options for it. Showed the embroidered blanket that we could get for \$35. All agreed to include it. We also need to include the stocking cap, a sweatshirt, sweatpants, and a baseball tee.

## 4. Holiday Concert

We needed more cookies for the families. Agreed to make sure we garner more donations for next year. The platters and how they were displayed were great. We were surprised by how many parents wanted cookies before the concert even started. We had one cooler of lemonade but probably need two for next year. We can place them at either end of the gym entrances.

## **New Business**

### 1. All-Star Band

Boosters normally pay for the lodging for students that attend. This year's All-Star Band is in Alpena. We have about 12 students auditioning. **Motion made by Emmy and seconded by Tomi to approve to pay for the lodging (up to 5 rooms) for a student and parent for All-Star Band in Alpena. All approved. Motion passed.**

### 2. Clinicians for Festival Preparation

Jason has spoken with 3 clinicians to come and help prepare the bands for Festival. They are Jim Huber, Allen Jacobus, and Damien Crutcher. They will be working with the students during the day. **Motion made by Shari and seconded by Jen to pay the clinicians \$100 fee plus mileage each for working with the students. All approved. Motion passed.**

### 3. Other

Discussed High School Concert Uniforms and creating an inventory for the tux jacket turn in so that we can create a numbered system for them. When the boys turn them in after the spring concert, there will be a spreadsheet will all of their names, a place to enter their size, and a place to check off that they returned it. There are tux jackets out there that are not accounted for and each jacket costs about \$62. Discussed hemming the pants at Band Fun Night. Next year, Jen can pin them up and Pebbles can bring her sewing machine and hem them right there. Extra cummerbunds need to be ordered. All agreed to take care of ordering extra uniform parts as needed.

Sam and Jason had discussed a purchase for audio equipment so that we can use that for recording purposes instead of using Sam's equipment. To purchase the entire recording package, it would be about \$1200 - \$1500. This includes 6 microphones, 6 stands, and a mixer. **Motion made by Tomi and seconded by Emmy to make the purchase of 6 microphones, 6 stands, and a mixer, up to \$1700. All approved. Motion passed.**

### **Round Table**

Jen loved how Jason had the students stand up at the concert to show how the Boosters support each and every one of them. Sam and Joel Beamish have secured a tour of the Conn-Selmer factory on 1/11. He is looking forward to it. It is free and open to anyone that wants to sign up. Shari thanked everyone for their help with the concert yesterday.

### **Next Meeting**

**Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 14 at 7 pm.**

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

### **Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Tomi and seconded by Jen at 9:04 pm. All approved. Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Shari Lowe  
Booster Secretary