

Clare Band Boosters Meeting

April 8, 2019

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

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Tomi.

Secretary's Report

Shari had emailed the minutes from the March 2019 meeting to everyone in attendance. **Motion was made by Tomi and seconded by Jen to approve the minutes from March 11, 2019. All approved. Motion passed.** Accepted the written report for the School Board.

Treasurer's Report

Jen reported that the balance in the checking account as of today is \$17,892.98. The savings account balance is \$48.24. Total revenue for March was \$1799 made up of \$413 from NoNO, \$150 from Spirit Wear, \$1001 from Tustyn Yarger, and \$235 from reeds. Expenses for the month were \$3766.96, including the deposit for the Venue, \$80 for pizza for the parade, the bill for Spirit Wear, piano tuning accommodations for the piano tuner, Clare Bands stamps, State Jazz Festival, and microphone stands.

President's Report

Jenni has the information from the Dairy Phil for their All Occasions Catering business. Discussed the cheesy potato option on the menu. Discussed the student helpers. Jenni will report to Melanie that we need food for 150 people (contracted amount) because Melanie needs to put her food order in tonight.

Director's Report

Jason will report in Old and New Business.

Old Business

1. Notes of New Orleans

Discussed placemat ads and silent auction items. Jen asked about when the Mercantile Bank ladies need to be there. Doors will open at 5:45. Dinner will be at 6:30. Sam will be there at 5 to set up. He is concerned about microphone placement. We might put the band in the front window instead of where they were last year. We will be there at 12:30 to start setting up and decorating. Tomi, Shari, Sharon, and Alisa are available to do that. Discussed placemat ads (families thanking their students) and pricing for next year. Silent Auction items were delivered tonight and more will arrive on Friday. 50/50 raffle will be \$1 per ticket, 6 for \$5 or arm length for \$20. We need a container for the tickets. Jason will be

bringing the equipment over in the afternoon and setting up the new jazz lights. Once the silent auction has ended, we will highlight the winning number and there will be a spreadsheet for the Mercantile Bank ladies to collect the auction money. There will be the same garnished soda menu from last year. Shari will continue to advertise the jazz set sponsors, placemat ad sponsors, and silent auction items on Facebook.

2. Clinic with Wayne State University

This clinic is on Thursday, 4/18. Clare Rotary donated \$700 and Clare Schools donated \$1300 for the charter buses for this event. WSU also agreed to cover \$500. Boosters would have to come up with about \$200. Students would just have to pay \$5 for entrance to the DIA and for lunch and dinner. Jason would need 2 chaperones for this event. Alisa volunteered to chaperone and Sharon will check her work schedule. Jason has received 16 definite "no's" for this, as there is a track meet and a varsity soccer game that day. He has received the music that they will be playing with the WSU Wind Symphony.

3. Bear Claw Bag Fundraiser

We had a minimal response to this fundraiser. We will be calculating the money and orders tonight after the meeting. Shari will get the orders to Bear Claw Bags sometime this week.

4. St. Patrick's Day Parade and MB Uniform Turn-In

We have most of the uniforms turned in, but we still are looking for a few. Jason has made announcements in band and it has been on the slides. We need to set aside a day after NoNO to inventory the uniforms. Jason would like them to get to the cleaners by the end of the month. Uniform turn-in went well this year by doing it after the St. Patrick's Day parade.

5. 2020 Trip Meeting

There was a trip meeting on 4/2. About 20 families were there and they all signed up for the trip. However, there are about 70 families eligible to participate. Jason is looking at scheduling another trip meeting for those that missed the first meeting. He's looking at Monday, 4/22 for another informational meeting. He knows that he needs to confirm interest for this trip by 5/1 to lock in the prices. We would need about 45-50 students to make this trip happen. Information for the trip has been sent home with students and it is posted on the website, with links on Facebook to the website. All agreed that another informational meeting would be helpful.

New Business

1. Leadership Camps

Jason spoke with Junior Drum Major, Kayla about attending the Fred J. Miller camp this summer instead of the CMU one. It is about half the price of CMU. Jason is looking at a leadership clinic with his student leaders sometime at the end of July

with Dr. Matthew Arau who will be visiting in Cadillac. It would be \$30 per student for the day, including food. All agreed that this would be worthwhile to explore, once leaders are determined for next year. Marching Band camp this year will be 8/4 - 8/9, with uniform fittings on Sunday, 8/3. There will be a butterfly release on that Sunday, 8/3 through the Mid Michigan Community Action. They have asked for some musicians to help them with the release. Jason will find out more information about this.

2. Other

None.

Round Table

Sam announced that the CMU Trumpet/Trombone choir is tomorrow night. It is a free event. Everyone thanked Lucas for joining us tonight!

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, May 6 at 7 pm. It is on the first Monday of the month because the Middle School Band Concert is on Monday, May 13.

Information can always be found on the website: cpsbands.weebly.com or at the Clare Bands page on Facebook.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Tomi and seconded by Jen at 8:33 pm. All approved. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Shari Lowe
Booster Secretary