

Clare Band Boosters Meeting September 11, 2018

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

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Jenni.

Secretary's Report

Shari had emailed the minutes from the August 2018 meeting to everyone in attendance. **Motion was made by Tomi and seconded by Jenni to approve the minutes from August 13, 2018. All approved. Motion passed.**

Treasurer's Report

Jen's report is that expenses for August were \$10,453.40 which included band camp staff, marching euphoniums, t-shirts, marching band accessories, and new checks. The balance in the checking account as of today is \$16,337.25 and in the savings account is \$48.24. Jen also made new signs for the marching band board at the stadium that helps block the staircase.

President's Report

Jenni said that Friday night went really well. Everyone seemed to like the performance.

Director's Report

Jason discussed the student issues that happened during the game on Friday. We discussed how to handle any similar situations in the future. Jason will talk with students about appropriate dress under their uniforms - no jeans! Jason will commend the kids on cleaning up their area and the student section after the game. Jason will talk with the student council president about the student section. He said he will reinforce to the students about eating healthy and appropriate hydration before performances. Jason said he thought the performance on Friday went really well. He appreciates the Boosters rescheduling the meeting for tonight. He had a productive MSBOA District 9 meeting last night.

Old Business

1. 2018 District 9 Marching Band Showcase

There are 6 groups including Clare scheduled for this year. It will be about 350 students at Brookwood. The Sports Boosters are ready for the concessions. Jason will pass out promotional material to distribute to the participating schools. The event is scheduled for Wednesday, 9/26, beginning at 6:30 pm. Volunteers need to arrive at 5:30 pm. We need 11 volunteers minimum - 5 hosts, 2 tickets takers at

each entrance, 1 in the press box, and a recorder. Ticket prices are \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Jen will make sure there is cash on hand for each cash box. Jason will have itineraries for each band and host. There are 3 clinicians and the expense for them may be around \$100 each. Shari will email the families about this event within the next week.

Hosts - Tomi, Jenni, Emmy, **need 2 more

Sam will record the performances as the new band historian.

Press box - **need 1

Ticket takers - Sharon, Pebbles, Jen, Shari

2. Marching Band Uniforms

As stated above, Jason will discuss appropriate attire under their uniforms (no jeans) and that they should arrive at the stadium in their uniform. For the most part, most students had no issues with their uniforms (a few had forgotten gloves and gauntlets).

3. Fundraisers

Sharon found out more about the BWW fundraiser. There are quite a few stipulations about days that the fundraiser can happen. Agreed to table that until the spring. Tomi will contact Max and Emily's this week about the cheesecake fundraiser. She will talk to them about changing the order form to \$20 per cheesecake. We plan to do the Bear Claw Bag fundraiser in the spring. We still need a chairperson for that.

New Business

1. Attending CMU Small Ensemble Performances

Sam found out information about the free performances at CMU in the Staples Family Concert Hall in the School of Music. Trombone Choir/Trumpet Ensemble is on Tuesday, 10/30 at 7:30 pm. Percussion Ensemble is on Tuesday, 11/13 at 7:30 pm. Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble is on Sunday 11/18 at 7:30 pm. Jason will talk with Mark Cox (Tuba/Euph professor at CMU) about coming out to perform here with his small group. Sam will also see if the Army Jazz band will be performing. Jason will put up a sign-up sheet and create a slide for the announcements. Shari will send out an email to the families.

2. Other

We need a charitable donation form for families that donate to the band.

Jason needs a few chaperones for the Aggie Invitational next Wednesday, 9/19. Time frame for the event is from 5 pm to 9 pm. He still does not know what time Clare is scheduled to play. He emailed their director last week. We need to get the plumes from the stadium to put on the trailer.

Jason will also need chaperones for the Cadillac Invitational on Monday, 10/1. He does not know the time of that yet, either.

Round Table

Discussed community and taxpayer concerns. Jenni would like to say thanks to the marching band and do something to appreciate them. Jason said the Wednesday rehearsal after the last home game (10/24), is concert uniform distribution. We could celebrate them then, with pizza and a movie. Jen can look back and see how much pizza we ordered for St. Patrick's Day parade. Sam discussed recording equipment that he would like to discuss more with Jason. Sharon said Harrison fans told her how great our band sounded on Friday. Jason met Dick Roe over the weekend and got an update on Lloyd Conley who is now back living in Clare. Jason plans to meet him.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, October 8 at 7 pm.

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

Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn was made by Tomi and seconded by Jenni at 8:40 pm.
All approved. Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Shari Lowe
Booster Secretary