

Clare Band Boosters Meeting

October 11, 2016

Present: Jenni Krause, Devin DeLong, Mackenzie DeLong, Emmy Krueger, Darren Acton, Jen Ferry, Jim Cook, Kent Randall, Callie Archbold, Shari Lowe, and Director Jason Lowe

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 by Callie.

Secretary's Report:

Shari had emailed the minutes from July and September to everyone in attendance at the last meeting. Motion was made by Jim and seconded by Jenni to approve the minutes from July and September 2016. Motion passed. These minutes will be posted on the band's website.

Treasurer's Report:

See attached report from Jim. The total currently in the checking account is \$13,084.84

A Booster check was distributed to a student for a scholarship to Blue Lake. The money was given to the Boosters by the Gateway Band. Cops and Doughnuts donated \$300 to the band. Jason has written a thank you note to them. Jim was given a bill for the dry cleaning. Jim will check with the accountant about quarterly reviews, starting in January.

President's Report:

Callie will send out an email asking for volunteers to help with the cheesecake fundraiser. She will also send out an email inviting senior parents to join their student this Friday night at half-time of the game. She is compiling a list of marching band fees (who has yet to pay) and it will be listed in the next "Pick-Up Notes." She received some feedback from a parent about CMU band day about it being warm and the students needed to take off their jackets. This was done that day. A suggestion was made that it might be a good idea to have their garment bags for travel. Also, water bottle were forgotten, but Jenni was able to pick some up that day for the students.

Director's Report:

Jason has gotten a bulletin board for outside of the classroom to share camp information and contacts for private lessons. He has a new monitor in the room to display electronic announcements. The Jazz Combo will be performing at the Doherty on 10/29. On Thursday, 10/27, Jason will be a guest lecturer at CMU for the class "Introduction to Music Education Methods." He has done this previously about once/

semester. At some point, that class will be coming to Clare to watch him teach. Marching Band is starting to transition to Concert Band. Discussed the possibility of play-off football games and the band's involvement with that. The band will play at any home games, and they have the school's support to travel to away play-off games. That will depend on students' interest and instrumentation.

Old Business:

1. Uniforms - It is going well having the students keep the marching band uniforms. We need to keep better track of gloves. Students should be given 2 pair at the beginning of the season and if they lose both pairs, then they need to pay for a new pair. Also for next year, we will have an adult with the student to sign out the marching band uniform with a form detailing all of the parts and the replacement fees. The hat inserts are still under warranty and need replacements. Jenni had contacted the company and they told her to call them in the spring. Jason has added it to his calendar to call in March.
2. Calendar Review - Jason reported that MSBOA District 9 has cancelled the first weekend of band festival. Therefore, all groups will be on March 10 and 11. There is a potential conflict with a church youth fine arts festival. District 9 is looking to re-work how festival is conducted.
3. Cheesecake Fundraiser - The sale starts on Monday, 10/17. Orders are due on 11/2 with turn in deadline by 11/7. Callie has agreed to help sort the orders on 11/4. Delivery will be on Tuesday, 11/22. We will need 2-3 parents to help at delivery time and to make sure the orders are separated by class.
4. Notes of New Orleans - It will be on April 7. Kent had spoken with Al White from Cops and Doughnuts last year about moving the event off-site and having C & D cater it. They offered the price of \$5/meal which is what we have paid Chartwell in the past. A possible place is the Venue at the Old Mill End Store. C & D are still willing to donate the dessert. Kent will contact Larry Kleinhardt about the Venue. Another possibility is Buck's Run in Mt. Pleasant. Discussed the possibility of having alcohol at the event. Jason will talk with Ed Hubel about that since students will be there.
5. Spirit Wear - Jason is working on it with Hangin' by a Thread in Weidman. The package deal should cost \$55. The students' t-shirt design contest will start soon.
6. Senior Night - Callie has ordered the corsages and will email the senior parents to invite them on the field at halftime.
7. Picture Day - It is scheduled for Thursday night (10/13) at Brookwood. Jean from Scheer Photography is doing it. Linda Wright set this up and Jason followed up with her. Jason agreed to bring extra gloves.
8. Concert Uniform Accessories - Tomi had agreed to put the numbers in the jackets. Jason has a meeting scheduled with Dennis Ormsbee tomorrow regarding bow tie and cummerbund pricing. Jason agreed to coordinate with Tomi regarding scheduling a tux fitting day. It should be during the school day so kids can try on different shirts for sizing.

New Business:

1. Middle School Email List - There are no emails listed in Power School for the Middle School students. Jason is in the process of compiling a list. He has sent sign-up sheets home with the students and he is starting to get them returned.
2. Band Fun Night - Trying to schedule a day for an overnight fun night for the high school band at the high school. It could be from 11/4-11/5 or 11/11-11/12. It depends on the football play-off games. Boosters usually cover the cost of pizza. A suggestion was made that the ticket into the fun night is a dish to pass. Kent will look into renting a bouncy house. Jason will put together a flyer and put it on the website. A suggestion was made to have Chris cakes for breakfast. Jenni will contact them about this possibility.

Public Comments:

1. Uniform Cleaning - The American Cleaners in Clare is now working through the cleaners in Alma. There is still the possibility of the one in Mt. Pleasant. We still have time to decide. Jenni's input is that we should use the one in Clare.
2. Suggestion Box - Looking for an old snare drum to use. An idea was to have the wood shop make a box and have the art students decorate it.

Round Table:

No comments were made.

Information can always be found on the website: <http://cpsbands.weebly.com>

Next Booster Meeting is on Tuesday, November 8 at 7 pm in the band room.

Callie might be late to the meeting. Jenni agreed to start it.

Motion was made by Jim and seconded by Jenni to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Lowe
Booster Secretary

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Treasure Report

The current checking about balance is \$13,084.84 after deposits of \$1,508.16 and checks totaling \$716.72 with CMU Band Day meals totaling \$581.25. The remaining checks consisted of small reimbursements for items purchased for band related activities. The deposit consisted of undeposited funds as reported at the last meeting and additional funds collected from students to cover CMU Band Day meals. There was also a \$300 donation from Cops and Doughnuts included in the total deposits.

James Cook